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Packwood problem-solver



Mrs. Evelyn Nelson is a believer that it pays to support a political candidate and to have faith in God and the American Way of life.

It has been years since Mrs. Evelyn Nelson has cried, as women sometimes do because she was happy.

But a phone call recently from Senator Packwood's office in Washington to Mrs. Nelson, who lives at 4205 N E 11th Avenue in Portland, brought joyful tears to her eyes. The good news that Mrs. Nelson would begin receiving a monthly disability check for about \$80 in January.

Badly Disabled

Usually calm and cheerful Mrs. Nelson, has degenerative arthritis in both knees, is partially blind and has been unable to work for more than a year.

She refused an offer of welfare by indignantly telling the social worker she had

"never been so insulted" in her entire 61 years... "I've worked since I was 12, and I don't believe in me, or anyone else, beating people out of somebody else's money by taking welfare checks!" she said.

Mrs. Nelson is like that. Determined. Self-sufficient.

But this time "I really had given up. I didn't think anyone could help me," she said softly, eyes brimming. Asked if there was something special she wanted to buy with her first check she responded quickly, "A washing machine (to replace a tin tub) and a pair of shoes."

Mrs. Nelson's story had a happy ending. But hers is not an isolated story. A cross section of cases where the Senator was asked for help in one week included these problems: military pay, social security, veteran compensation, drug availability, problems of the elderly, immigration laws and interference problems of ham radio operators.

A Navy veteran was helped in getting a 100 percent disability rating—which in dollar meant more than \$200 to London Lee Mow of Eagle Point, Oregon.

These are just a few of the many such cases which daily cross the Senator's desk. Not all are closed successfully, of course, but if you are legally eligible for benefits you haven't received, perhaps your Senator can help. He is interested in your problems or he wouldn't be in office. Write to him. It is your privilege: Senator Bob Packwood, U. S. Senate, Washington, D. C. 20510.

Joint career project Emanuel and Jefferson

Valeda Gregory, a Jefferson High junior, wants to become a surgeon.

Right now, she's getting an inside look at the hospital world because she's enrolled in a joint Emanuel Hospital-Jefferson High health careers program. In it, she and 36 other students combine clinical experience at the hospital with classroom study taught by Mrs. Mary C'Gara R. N., of the Jefferson faculty.

Valeda, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gregory, 3734 N. Vancouver Ave., has wanted

to be a doctor all her life. Does she like her inside view of hospital activity? "Oh, yes."

This is the second year for the joint program, launched in 1969 with about 20 students involved.

The fact that almost double the number of students enrolled in the class this year, hospital and high school authorities feel, is an indication of popular success.

Students rotate through 19 hospital departments, spending a half-day on the job twice each week. The hospital ex-

perience began in January; it's supplemented by classroom discussion of problems and projects involved. Added to the curriculum this year were visits by hospital staff members -- department heads and supervisors -- to Jeff health careers classroom for preliminary discussion with students.

When the cooperative class first began, hospital department heads prepared "job description of activities students could complete. As students learn, they advance to more complicated skills.

Fringe benefits to the program for several Jeff students last year were "summer relief" and after-school jobs at Emanuel. One student, who became interested in the inhalation therapy program last year as a junior, now works each Saturday as a paid employee in that department.

Responsible for coordinating the Emanuel side of the project is Anthony Giardina, assistant vice-president, personnel.

He is concerned with the need to recruit more young people for careers in the health industry--to be the nation's biggest employer by 1973.

"Hospitals must have technical and professional personnel. We're anxious to encourage more and more young people to prepare themselves for these jobs. We do, of course, like to emphasize the opportunities available in Emanuel-sponsored educational programs--in medical education, nursing, X-ray, medical technology, and related paramedical fields. But we hope through this venture with Jefferson to encourage increasing numbers of young people, regardless of race or color, to pursue a challenging and exciting career in the health field, either here or in other health programs."

The Jeff students, who wear distinctive blue jackets on the job as well as nameplates designating them as "Jefferson Paramedics", have won enthusiastic friends among the hospital staff. An absence draws a flurry of concerned inquiries and "graduation" to another department in the rotation is an occasion of note! See other pictures on page 5.

PCC painters

Watercolors by Charles Ransom, an arts instructor at Portland Community College, are on exhibit during the month of February at The Old Nut Loft Center (17210 S. W. Shaw) in Beaverton.

Ransom received his M.F.A. from the University of Oregon and his paintings have been widely exhibited in California and the Northwest.

The exhibit will also include textiles by Sue Ilinsky an instructor at the center, who spins and dyes her own wool; and paintings by James F. Smith; his mother, Stella Dralle; and an aunt, Patricia Adams -- a real family affair of art.



VALEDA GREGORY, left, and CATHY MOORE, right, also Jeff paramedics, get acquainted with sewing project in Emanuel Hospital Occupational Therapy department under the supervision of Miss Dora Rice, R.N., O.T.R. Miss Gregory, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gregory, and Miss Moore, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Moore, are both interested in health careers; Valeda, to become a surgeon; Cathy, to be a medical assistant.



JEFF HIGH PRINCIPAL HENRY MARSHALL examined a project by Jeff Paramedic DEBBIE KAISER during a tour of student rotations at Emanuel Hospital which took him to hospital clinical lab. Experience in the laboratory is one of highlights of hospital orientation for many Jeff students; activities may range from assisting with the dilution of concentrated reagents to transporting dishes.

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