

## A COMBATIVE PATIENT

We had been at work only a few days when some of us had a rewarding experience proving to us that it pays to treat patients as equals. We were asked to dress a foreign lady for company but were warned that she was very combative. "She never will cooperate," we were told. So she was given stern instructions to get ready for her company - of course she was resistive.

We immediately prepared for the worst (took off our glasses and watches). Then in as kind a manner as we knew how, we explained to her what we wanted to do. Gradually she gave up her stubborn ideas and submitted. We were even able to take off her ever-present "skull cap" and comb her hair.

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## PICAYUNE NEWS

The Recreation Department informs us that the table and umbrella for the Receiving Hospital sun deck has arrived - we hear it is very nice. On spare time, it might be good to go and see it.... The way to Gordon Park from the trolley was confusing. Enterprising Ryan - like a good boy scout - was prepared to meet the situation and show picnickers the way to the park. Arrows pointing the way were drawn on the side walk. Half way to the park, a fellow Irishman, a cop, stopped him and remarked that it was very strange for an adult to chalk the sidewalk. Ryan agreed and discussed the matter. After some explanation, the cop left laughing and Ryan continued his mission.... Incidentally, everyone got to the park including the Millers after some searching.... Highlights of the picnic: The boat a tipsy boatman asked Ryan to dock, the walk out on the breakwater, the gooey marshmallows, Regier's mountain twang while singing about McGinney being dead, and, oh yes, the food. One car load polished the evening off by going to Euclid Beach.... Four people holding her down, a thorough bandaging, and a strong dose of gentian violet administered by Lehr was the result of a slight cut on Schmidt's leg from a flying plate.... The purple heart department: Walker - a kick in the mid-section and a rap in the back in two days time; Schmidt, a cut leg from a flying plate; Regier, a sock in the eye and a few strands of missing hair; Tieszen, a scratched face and missing locks one day and downed and outed another day by a newly arrived patient; Simmons, a sock on the ear by a patient when he learned visitors had come.

Rarewell and Get well - Farewell to the Thiessens who leave at the end of the month and are Bluffton bound - next Fall seminary in Chicago. Get well to Bill Ryan, a tonsilectomy as of Thursday a.m. and to Mrs. Harold Miller after a siege of appendicitis.

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## READING ASSIGNMENT ON ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY

A list of books is being assembled in the basement of the Nurses' Home for outside reading in connection with the course on Abnormal Psychology. A part of the assignment to get credit in this course is that each student read one book on the subject. Of the easy to read, popular types of books, two books will be required reading. The books will be designated as being of the popular or more technical type. Each person should use the books freely, but keep in mind that they are for group use and will need to be available for the group when not in use.