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IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO OUR

April 21, 1952

Mr. Frank Noyes
Sealevel
North Carolina

Dear Frank:

I would like to have information regarding the building of a hospital and other buildings that we propose to build at Sealevel. I plan on getting an architect to draw up the plans. Are you in position to build the buildings from the architect's plans? I feel certain that we will get the property from the cemetery down to the creek on both sides of the road including Louis Henrys property if the proper arrangements could be made with them.

The hospital will be a building about 140' long with one wing on each end; one toward the road and the other toward the bay and the floor plan will have a total of 12,000 square feet. I think we should figure on brick veneer with tile A shape roof with concrete floors. This would mean a wooden frame with brick on the outside and plaster on the inside or it might be possible to build it out of cinder blocks and plaster on the outside and on the inside. If brick could be had it might be a better plan to use brick. It would have to be fireproof and we would also have to consider insulation or weather proofing to keep the cold out and there would have to be heat in it.

In addition to the hospital we will want to build two small dwelling houses or at least two or three bedrooms for the doctors to live in and a community center, also a small motel or tourist court of 20 or 30 rooms.

We would figure on dredging the area of land to fill it in to make it level and higher than it is and haul in sand or dirt from nearby areas as where the buildings would be it should be built up several feet higher than the level of the other land around it where it could be landscaped.

For the hospital we figure on one story and possibly all the houses of one story of the type built in Florida. After we get the architects plans showing the material needed in the project we could make arrangements to hire the labor and do the work without giving it out to a general contractor if you are in position to handle it.

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Mr. Frank Noyes

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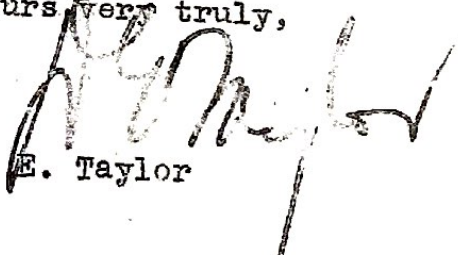
I want to start this project within the next 60 days or as soon as I can get the plans drawn and get title to the land. If we are going to have to get a small dredge to fill in the property we would have to make arrangements with the state or county to pump the dirt out of the bay to fill it in or get the property north of the road and dump trucks and drag line to haul the dirt in and fill the property in.

You might find out where there is a small dredge that could be rented or bought at a reasonable price to fill in this property and fill it in a little higher in the middle and slope it down to the water.

Is it possible to get competent people to work on these projects either from Sealevel or nearby places that would give an honest day's work for their pay including brick layers? The electrical work, plumbing, heating system would probably have to be put in by people who do this kind of work either from Beaufort, Morehead City or New Bern.

I may be in Norfolk the last part of the week of May 5. In the meantime I hope to have the plans drawn up for the buildings. I am enclosing a floor plan or sketch of about what we propose to build in a hospital.

Yours very truly,


D. E. Taylor

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Encl.

Taylor Brothers Propose Building Of 19-Bed Hospital at Sea Level

D. E. Taylor, William R., Alfred, and Leslie, all brothers formerly of Sea Level and their father, Maltby Taylor, Sea Level, have formed a charitable foundation for the purpose of building a hospital in their home community in Carteret county.

D. E. Taylor, of West Palm Beach, Fla., in a letter to THE NEWS-TIMES this week, stated that the project is still in the planning stage and definite information probably will not be available for 60 to 90 days.

However, tentative floor plans for the hospital have been drawn. The building, with an approximate area of 13,000 square feet, would be located with one wing facing the water and the other fronting a highway.

Containing 19 beds, the hospital would also have space for nine more, making an institution with 27-bed capacity. The hospital would contain a maternity ward with three beds, two single isolation units (two beds), two single suites (two beds), and six semi-private wards (12 beds), also nurses' quarters, operating room, delivery room, emergency room, laboratory, kitchen, dining room, storage facilities, and office space.

D. E. Taylor, president of the West India Fruit and Steamship Co., Inc., West Palm Beach, stated that he hopes to return to Carteret county in the near future in connection with plans to build the hospital at Sea Level.

Officers to Attend

District Meeting

To the Editor:

Please allow me a short space in your paper to add to the many other congratulations to the Taylor Brothers for their wonderful gift, our community hospital.

I've never attended anything so great as the dedication Saturday. Many things impressed me—when Dan presented the hospital to the citizens of Carteret County his words were calm and unfaltering—his father's uplifted hand when being introduced and his mother's serene expression.

Mrs. Maltby Taylor is a devout member of the Primitive Baptist Church here and believes the hospital was placed where it was through the divine will of God. Her husband is a firm believer of that faith too.

I was glad when Mr. Goerch suggested singing Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow.

I do not believe Mrs. Taylor's brothers were mentioned in the Friday edition of THE NEWS-TIMES. They are Capt. William H. Rose of Beaufort and John T. Rose of Punta Gorda, Fla. Both are ambitious and energetic men. Perhaps the boys inherited some of this from the Roses as well as the Taylors.

Many thanks to the Taylor boys for our wonderful gift.

Eunice Rose Paul

When a newspaper is assumed that people But what if they can't only must there be a capable of reading.

newspapers were started the county 75 and 80 years ago. I think a few years and fold, may have been that many of our people had much education.

Some of course, were not enough to get through school, but a larger number were not able to read as a newspaper. If you read, there is little sense in a newspaper in front of you like playing a symphony to a man who's stone deaf.

Another thing that

From

By W. G. ROSE

THE MARMOT DANCE
Hersey (Knopf).

Most readers had to read Alan Paton's "phalarope" bird. Now I must explain that a marmot is an animal, a woodchuck. After that, Hersey's first to be introduced to American soil, may be in a paragraph:

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