

The Army Hospital

A long time ago during the Korean war, many doctors worked in surgery. Dr. Benjamin Baker was one of these doctors. Dr. Baker was a skilled surgeon with an arrogant attitude. He did not have proper respect for authority. Dr. Baker was liked by his roommates in Korea. His roommates liked his sense of humor. Dr. Baker's roommates were Dr. Cho and Dr. Norris. Dr. Cho and Dr. Norris enjoyed taking walks with Dr. Baker. On a walk one day, Dr. Baker and his roommates saw a strange sight.

A Korean girl was wounded. It looked like her arm was broken. She was little and dark colored. The child was resting in the grass. The roommates took her to the hospital. They wrapped her arm in a sling, and gave her a bed to sleep in. She did not want to go to sleep. The girl sneaked out of bed and into the compound. No one noticed her walking around.

The girl tried to go away. She wanted to go home. She did not realize that she was in a mine field. Dr. Baker saw the girl in the field. Dr. Baker was scared. In Korean, Dr. Baker told the girl to stay where she was. The girl obeyed. She was scared, too. Dr. Baker went for help. He went to call a chopper. Dr. Baker wanted to run through the mine field and save the girl, but he did not. He waited impatiently for the chopper to come. Dr. Baker asked the girl in Korean what her name was. The girl answered quietly that her name was Young He. They could hear the chopper coming over the hill loudly. The person in the chopper lowered the rope ladder to Young He.

In Korean, Dr. Baker yelled to Young He, telling her to grab the rope ladder and hold on tight. The chopper took her safely to the pathway.

Dr. Baker ran to her and hugged her. Then Dr. Baker took her back to the hospital, and gave her a pill to help her arm and a lollipop. Then Dr. Cho came in with a Korean woman who was carrying a baby in her arms. Dr. Cho told Dr. Baker that the woman had lost her little girl, and wanted to find her. Just then the mother called her daughter. Young He ran to her mother with a happy face. Dr. Baker told Young He to be a good girl. Young He and her mother left the hospital together. Dr. Baker said, “Th-th-th-th-that’s all folks!”