

## Mrs. Fred Hanes Dies in California

Elizabeth Peck Hanes died on August 23, 1958, in Santa Barbara, California; but her influence on the Duke University Medical Center will be felt for years to come.

She was born in Watkins Glen, New York, the daughter of Harland Page Peck and Mary Hollingshead Peck. Her parents died while she was an infant and she was raised by her maternal grandmother who lived in Ohio and Kentucky. Her grandmother had a strong belief that a girl should be able to sew, cook, and keep house; and saw that she was beautifully trained to do these things. Those of us who knew her can attest to her great ability along these lines. After attending a girls' school in Kentucky she entered Nursing School and was graduated from St. Luke's Hospital in New York City. While in training she met the late Doctor Hanes and shortly after graduation they were married. After living in various places in the United States and Europe where Doctor Hanes carried on his studies, research, and teaching, they moved to Doctor Hanes' home, Winston-Salem. During World War I, while Doctor Hanes was Commanding Officer of the Base Hospital 65 in the AEF, Mrs. Hanes returned to St. Luke's as a head nurse.

On January 14, 1930, Doctor Hanes became Visiting Professor at Duke in charge of Neurology, and in 1933 he accepted the Florence McAlister Professorship of Medicine and Chairmanship of the Department of Medicine. Mrs. Hanes greatly influenced his decision to relinquish his medical practice and his executive position in various businesses in favor of the academic life.

On moving to Durham they assumed an important position in medical, cultural, and social fields of the city. As young people growing up



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under their influence we were constantly impressed by their very great sense of responsibility, not only to Duke University, but to their fellow-man. It was in their home that many of us learned the true meaning of gracious hospitality. Mrs. Hanes was a renowned hostess, not only to official University guests, but to each medical student, nurse, and house officer. Mrs. Hanes constantly expressed her tremendous interest in Duke University; for example, decorating Baker House which was then the Nurses' Home, various parts of the Hospital, the West Campus Union, and donating the initial books to start the Nursing School Library and continuing to contribute volumes throughout her lifetime.

Upon his death Doctor Hanes willed his entire estate to Duke Medical Center and shortly afterwards Mrs. Hanes donated the funds which made possible the erection of Hanes House. These gifts made the Hanes among the greatest material benefactors to Duke University, in addition to the many intangible gifts they made during their lifetime.

Those of us who were permitted to know her well are better citizens for the privilege. Our personal lives have

## Drake Named Ass't Director Out-Patient Department

Ralph L. Drake has been appointed an assistant director of the Out-Patient Department. In this post he is responsible for the business management of the medical division of the Out-Patient Department. He succeeds Robert S. Salisbury, who resigned to accept a position as Out-Patient Department director in Misericordia Hospital, New York City.

Mr. Drake's post and a similar position in the Out-Patient Department's surgical division were created in the summer of 1957 as part of a major expansion and reorganization of the department. This expansion coincided with the move to the new wing which made possible a streamlining of service for out-patients.

A native of Biscoe, Mr. Drake attended Mars Hill College for two years and received the B.S. degree from the University of North Carolina in 1950.

## Ancient History

Duke Hospital was built between 1927 and 1930.

The medical school and hospital were formally dedicated April 20, 1931.

The average age of the original medical faculty was 36 years.

Members of the original executive committee still active on the staff are Dr. W. C. Davison, Dr. Deryl Hart, Dr. Wiley Forbus, Dr. David Smith and Dr. George Eadie.

There were 17 patients on the first day.

been fuller and contained more beauty for having been associated with her. We are not only grieved at the loss of one of our dearest friends, but we also feel that the Duke University Medical Center has lost its matriarch.

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