

From The Auxiliary



By Dorothy Sieker

The most important meeting of the year, as far as the Auxiliary is concerned, was held April 21st. New officers were elected and each service chairman read her annual report. All reported exciting progress. Although most services are staffed adequately with volunteers, several chairmen reported "Mr. Stork" had taken a number of volunteers off "active duty." We were reminded not to think unkindly of the big bird, however, for every baby girl he brings is a potential Duke Hospital Auxiliary volunteer!

Let me take this opportunity to extend the Auxiliary's thanks to all the outgoing officers and service chairmen, and give our heartiest welcome to the new officers who are:

- President.....Mrs. Theady Daniel
- First Vice-president
Mrs. O. E. Esval
- Second Vice-president
Mrs. J. D. Rivers
- Third Vice-president
Mrs. R. H. Leach
- Recording Secretary
Mrs. W. M. Nicholson
- Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. C. L. Lowndes
- Treasurer.....Miss Eloise Sherman
- Ex Officio.....Mrs. Howard Craven
Mr. Charles Frenzel

- Standing Committee Chairmen
- Finance.....Miss Mary Poston
- Historian.....Mrs. Paul Clyde
- Hospitality.....Mrs. A. N. Wiley
- Membership.....Mrs. Julian Ruffin
- Nominating.....Mrs. E. L. Persons
- Policy.....Mrs. Bayard Carter
- Projects.....Mrs. John Macduff
- Public Relations
Mrs. G. M. Bourgeois

- Publications.....Mrs. Eugene Stead
- Publicity.....Mrs. Herbert Sieker
- Ways and Means
Mrs. George Glockler

- Chairmen of Service Committees
- Coffee.....Mrs. Watt Eagle
- Chaplains.....Mrs. Alan Manchester
- Guide.....Mrs. C. R. Stephen
- Library.....Mrs. Lamar Callaway
- Magazines....Mrs. William Maughan
- Occupational Therapy
Mrs. James Cleland
- Pediatrics.....Mrs. R. L. Tuthill
- Receptionists....Miss Sallie Beavers
- Shop Cart.....Mrs. L. A. Girard
- Chairman of Junior Volunteers
Mrs. Norman Couant

"Spring Cleaning" The Year 'Round

For the past six months the Housekeeping Department of Duke Medical Center has been undergoing an organizational face-lifting. With a "house" containing 7,570,925 cubic feet to be kept, the Director, Mrs. Martha J. Scoggins, eight supervisors and 90 employees have a full-time job, indeed.

Heretofore Housekeeping offices were all located in the basement. To provide more efficient service to the Medical Center, a Housekeeper has now been located on each floor. Her desk, with its identifying plaque, is

easily accessible; notes may be left there so communication is simpler. Rooms can be cleaned earlier with the supervisor at hand, so service to both patient and business office is speeded up. The Housekeeper is able, also, to keep a better check on the linens, equipment and cleaning chemicals, and to get a better inventory at all times.

The Housekeeper on the floor now has her own staff. She is responsible for this personnel, and for time cards, name pins and area keys. She directs the work of her staff; has a better opportunity to know the workers; and can be on hand to teach the techniques needed in the particular area. This increased executive responsibility for each supervisor is an advantage to the individuals involved and to the Hospital by providing trained personnel for the future.

A Cleaning Room in the basement has cabinets containing equipment for all special cleaning jobs and a blackboard which lists special work to be done with the area name. The employee checks his name on the board when he starts out on a job. He can then be located without difficulty in an emergency wherever he is in the Medical Center. This check system makes it possible, also, to tell what work has been accomplished in a day. In the new wing, where the high-low beds must be run up for cleaning, 30 minutes are needed to clean a room



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