Duke Nursing School Program Accredited

Dean Ann M. Jacobansky of the School of Nursing announced last month that the four-year baccalaureate program of the Duke University School of Nursing has been accredited by the National League for Nursing. Leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, the baccalaureate program was established at Duke in 1953. Prior to this, Duke offered a three-year program that led to the Diploma in Nursing.

Efforts have been directed toward strengthening the four-year program since its establishment. Last year it was felt that the School was ready for a review and a visit by representatives of the League to determine whether or not it met the criteria outlined for accreditation. Accreditation was granted after review of materials submitted by the School of Nursing, a week-long visit by a threemember team representing League, and discussion with officials of the School.

"Accreditation is, in effect, a stamp of approval by the National League of Nursing," Dean Jacobansky said. "The evaluation for accreditation is based on established criteria which include sound principles of organization as well as education."

Duke is now among some 75 nursing schools over the United States that hold this accreditation. Notice of the accreditation will be published in the February issue of "Nursing Outlook," journal of the National League for Nursing.

Employee Facilities Planned

Renovation of various hospital areas freed up when the new wing opened continues. Scheduled for the near future is the construction of a counge for secretaries and office work-

ers in the old telephone equipment room.

Plans are also underway to provide facilities for colored employees, both male and female, and for colored nurses in the space formerly occupied by the medical clinic. Lockers, showers and toilets will be installed, and a small lounge will be equipped.

53 Doctors' Sons in Duke Medical School

Doctors are made, not born, but the son of an M.D. probably has a better than average likelihood of following in father's footsteps. At Duke University Medical School one of every six students (53 in a total medical student body of 321) is the son of a physician or dentist. Their fathers include general practitioners, surgeons, pediatricians, radiologists, internists, pathologists and even a medical missionary.

Dean W. C. Davison does not believe that physicians' sons have the edge on anyone else when it comes to making a good doctor. Neither do they stand an unusually good chance of getting into medical school in the first place. He explains the large proportion of doctors' sons at Duke by noting that more such persons apply for medical school. "There are about 170,000 doctors and dentists in the United States," he said, "and the percentage of doctors' sons who want to study medicine is larger than in other groups." He adds one word of advice: In order to be a good doctor "you've got to like people."

This 'n' That

NEW ARRIVALS

Dr. and Mrs. Joachim Sommer, Pathology, a daughter, Margaret, November 21, 1959.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Pickett, Pathology, a son, Walter Ray, December 21, 1959.

Sally and John Harper, Surgery, a son, in January.

Joy and Robert Bonar, Surgery, a daughter, Nancy Jean, in December.

In Psychiatry, new sons or daughters for Dr. and Mrs. David Shaw, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson, Dr. and Mrs. Claude Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Marlan L. Rhame, and Dr. and Mrs. Ben Feather.

WEDDING BELLS

Jane Weatherspoon Faucette, Surgical PDC Receptionist, was married December 19, 1959, to Mr. James Reid Pleasants, Jr., at Watts Street Baptist Church, Durham. The Pleasants are living in K-3-A University Apartments, and Jane continues to work in PDC.

It was a family affair for Surgical PDC when Barbara Anne Hawley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hawley, was married December 19 in Duke University Chapel to Mr. Veasey of Durham and Quantico. Until her marriage Barbara worked in SPDC lab; her mother works in SPDC now; and this summer her twin sister, Margaret, was employed in SPDC!

Also on December 19, Pamela Jean Bray, dental assistant to Drs. Sapp and Ross, was married in Edgemont Baptist Church to Chester Ray Holloman.

NEW FACES AND OLD

Medical Record Library

We are sorry to lose Mrs. Evelyn Overcash of the discharge desk who leaves us soon. We are glad to have Augusta Kirkland back after her recent illness. Welcome to Marie Deans, a new employee in our filing department.

Physical Therapy

Two of our 1959 physical therapy graduates have joined our staff. Tom Clapper, who received his baccalaureate degree from Purdue University began work December 1 after a brief