

From The Auxiliary



By Carolyn Hackney

All right, Girls, Back to Work!

Who said that? We never left! The only Auxiliary service that vacationed this summer was the night coffee counter. (And if something doesn't break for them pretty soon in the way of more volunteers, the vacation may prove permanent!)

These women have served long and faithfully, usually coming in at the end of a full day in the office, and have put in several hours of much needed and appreciated time. Now they desperately need help in the persons of more volunteers!

Our Fall General Meeting was most exciting, for we honored the mothers of our Junior Volunteers. The hospital staff with whom the girls worked was high in their praise. "They are so wonderful and so helpful; do we have to wait until next summer to have them again?" . . . "Whatever will we do when they go back to school?" . . . These were typical remarks from the various clinics where these delightful girls worked.

The girls themselves found the experience helped to crystalize their thinking in terms of medical careers. Several are now sure that nursing is the field for them while at least one girl is now quite sure that a nursing career would be a mistake for her. Others discovered technical fields that interested them and much interest was shown in careers in social work or as medical secretaries.

Yes, the mothers of these young ladies may be justly proud of their daughters and the 6700 hours they spent in service to others this past summer.

October 19 and 20 will find our own Mrs. H. Shelton Smith in Atlanta where she will be the keynote speaker for the Institute for the Hospital Auxiliaries of Georgia. The theme is to be, "The Hospital Auxiliary and Public Relations," a subject on which Mrs. Smith is definitely an expert. All of us at Duke are pleased and proud that Mrs. Smith has been accorded this honor.



Night coffee service volunteers, Nell O'Briant and Dorothy Douglas, provide a cup of coffee and a word of friendly cheer for Mr. Paul Coleman, here from Bedford, Virginia, to visit his wife, a hospital patient. More volunteers must be found for the evening hours if this service is to continue.

Hospital Auxiliary Symposium Planned

The time is NOW! The place is HERE!

The Hospital Auxiliary Symposium, sponsored this year by Duke Hospital Auxiliary, is on the eve of getting under way.

The hospital auxiliaries in the state have responded eagerly to this opportunity for discussion of common problems, and when October 11 and 12 unfold on the calendar we are going to have a "full house." This enthusiastic evidence of need for mutual help and collaboration bodes well for the new State Auxiliary Council recently incorporated in the State Hospital Association, and challenges that group to offer leadership to a state program which will promote the efforts of all hospital auxiliaries in North Carolina.

Guests of the current conference will attend a dinner in the Union Ballroom Wednesday night, October 11th, to hear the keynote address to be given by Mrs. Viola Pinanski of Brookline, Mass. Mrs. Pinanski is an outstanding auxilian, having devoted her life to community activities, primarily in the health field. She is a former chairman of the National Council of Hospital Auxiliaries of the American Hospital Association and is, at the present time, a member of

the World Health Organization. It is a great privilege to have her on this program.

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October 11 and 12

Theme: Workshop for Progress and Growth

Wednesday—1 P. M. to 5 P. M.

Registration

Tours (Hospital—Chapel—Gardens)

Auxiliary Film—"A Gift of Time"

6 P. M. to 10 P. M.

Dinner

Keynote Address—Mrs. Viola Pinanski

Social Hour

Thursday—9 A. M. to 9:20 A. M.

Assembly and Announcements

9:30 A. M. to 11:45 A. M.

Workshops

11:45 A. M. to 12:20 P. M.

Auxiliary Film—"Helping Hands for Julie"

12:30 P. M. to 3:30 P. M.

Luncheon

Evaluation of Workshops—Mrs. Germaine Febrow

Closing Address—Dr. James T. Cleland