

## From The Auxiliary



Patients, with friends or relatives, enter the portals of the Outpatient Department with many fears—fear of their illnesses, fear of the vastness of the hospital, fear of being alone. For many, it is the first time at Duke, the first time away from the comfortable confines of their well-known areas which may be very small and may be some distance away.

Doctors try to allay the fear of illness; Auxiliary adult and junior volunteers try to help with the other fears. How? The patient enters—stairs go up and stairs go down—which way should *he* go? The volunteer Receptionist at the desk helps by listening, directing—and smiling. After registering and paying his fee, he is handed several papers and told to report at a particular place, such as ENT or Eye or Urology Clinic. He is bewildered not only because of his fears but also because of his inability to read. The volunteer Guide escorts the patient to his destination and in the process becomes a listening post. A Guide may come to work feeling that she has the weight of the world on her shoulders, but she will leave feeling that her woes are negligible.

The patient and those who accompany him have appetites. Volunteers on the coffee counter can attest to that. The patient who arrives early from a distant point is most grateful to be able to get a cup of coffee—and a smile. To be sure, there are some machines which serve cokes when fed coins properly, but most people react as a young Korean journalism student does: "When I now stand in front of a machine that gobbles up my coin with that ungrateful 'click' and pushes me a Coca-Cola cup, I feel awfully lonely. . . . The worst is the machine that doesn't even respond to my coin. I have never felt so helpless as when this happens. I can't protest; I can't argue; I can't even entreat. I am a complete slave to its whims!"

## Flinton Carden Dies



N. FLINTON CARDEN, JR.

Flinton Carden, associated with the Duke University Medical Center for more than thirty years, died in Duke Hospital May 21 following a long illness. Employed on September 1, 1930, as a messenger at the front desk, Mr. Carden was director of the Duke Hospital printing department at the time of his death. Mr. Carden was one of the outstanding multilith operators in the nation, and had trained many men in this field who now hold responsible positions in industry. In addition to his work at the Medical Center, Mr. Carden and his wife established and operated the Carden Printing Company in Durham.

Always ready to lend a helping hand and always interested in anything related to the employees of the Medical Center, Mr. Carden was instrumental in starting the hospital picnic and for years took the responsibility for cooking at the annual outing.

Our many volunteers do serve willingly, helpfully, and lovingly. If the post is vacant, it is because there are not enough volunteers. Do you know someone who is interested in com-

## Auxiliary Secretary Named



MARY DAUGHERTY

Mary (Mrs. Charles) Daugherty is the new Executive Secretary of the Duke Hospital Auxiliary. Born and educated in Baltimore, where she worked in an insurance office, Mrs. Daugherty moved to North Carolina after her marriage to Charles Daugherty, a chemical consultant and engineer. She has lived in Troy, Charlotte, Siler City, New Bern, Lynchburg, Virginia; Portsmouth, Virginia; and now Durham. She has been active in church work and Cub Scouts. Well liked by her colleagues, Mrs. Daugherty has helped with various branches of Auxiliary work, and her cheerful manner, genuine interest in people and willingness to assume responsibility was soon recognized. She was serving the Auxiliary in the dual capacity of Chairman of the Coffee Service and Publicity Chairman when appointed to her present post.

The Daughertys have two sons, Joe, a senior at Durham High School, and Freddie, a sophomore at the same school.

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munity service? If so, call MARY DAUGHERTY, our new Secretary, on extension 3981. Or do you want the volunteers to be replaced with the cold, unresponsive machine?