

Many Benefit from Gifts Given by Auxiliary

Several years ago, there was a small boy on Rankin Ward who came to Duke as a long-term patient. The Auxiliary took him under its wing. They helped him pass the time with a new tricycle and toys. On occasion they even helped to clothe him. But toys, tricycles, and clothes do not always answer the needs of a sick, and often homesick, child. He needed his family, but they lived in Virginia and could not afford a trip to Durham. The Auxiliary again stepped into the picture and brought the child's parents to Durham for a visit with their son.

Over the years, the Hospital

Auxiliary has given thousands of dollars to the medical center in equipment and thousands towards projects.

There are very few who do not benefit in some way from this generosity.

Pediatric patients benefit who use the equipment and school supplies given to the in-hospital teaching program and the many, many boxes of crayons, the clay, coloring books and countless toys that are bought annually for the children's playroom.

Nurses and doctors benefit who use the donated pressure-point pads, Aquamatic Thermia equipment, prosthesis tubes

for hydrocephalic patients, and Jefferson ventilator.

Students in obstetrics and gynecology benefit when they hear one of the ten sound tracks bought for films used in classroom teaching in that department.

Many will benefit from the \$38,500 given by the Auxiliary for the new Hospital Chapel.

Nursing students benefit who are selected as recipients of the \$600 scholarship given annually by the Auxiliary to a deserving nursing student.

Many burned children benefit who are given shoes by the Auxiliary.

Patients on Rankin, Matas, Osler, Long, McDowell, Nott, Strudwick, Campbell, and Prevost wards benefit who are entertained daily with television sets purchased by the Auxiliary and given to the wards.

Visitors sitting in the main lobby indirectly benefit from the several thousand dollars given by the Auxiliary towards the furnishings and decorations in that popular waiting area. And those waiting to be interviewed in the Outpatient Department can sit in an area

which has been spruced up considerably with several hundred dollars worth of artificial flowers, also purchased by the Auxiliary.

Patients on Rankin, Meyer and Cabell wards benefit when they use any of the cards, card tables, ping-pong sets, or games donated by the Auxiliary.

And countless patients benefit from the Auxiliary's generosity in other ways. Many "small" requests, too numerous to list, are answered by the Auxiliary every day. These requests come from patients whose own pocketbooks cannot afford the items. The requests have included emergency bus and taxi fares, room and board for visiting families, personal toilet articles, and even packs of cigarettes. Six hundred dollars is also given annually to the Chaplain's Discretionary Fund to be used towards items requested for indigent patients through the Chaplain's Office.

And it is to be remembered that all of this is made possible by an unobtrusive benefactor through the thousands of hours given voluntarily by her members.

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R. Rundles

DR. R. WAYNE RUNDLES, Professor of Medicine, was elected president-elect of the American Society of Hematology at a winter meeting of the Society held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Others in attendance at this meeting were Dr. John Laszlo, Dr. H. R. Silberman, Dr. William B. Kremer, and Dr. Michael Seigelman.

Dr. Rundles visited the Queens Hospital in Honolulu, location of the University of Hawaii Medical School, in January in reference to the training program in hematology supported by the N.I.H.

DR. ROY T. PARKER, Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and DR. JEROME S. HARRIS, Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics, participated in a workshop on projects of maternity and infant care and child health programs authorized under the "Medicare" bill. The workshop was sponsored by the Children's Bureau and Maternal Welfare Divisions of H.E.W.

During February, Dr. Parker also spoke on "Dysplasia and Genesis of Cervical Cancer" at the Norfolk General Hospital in Norfolk, Virginia.

DR. JOHN M. RHOADS, Professor of Psychiatry, participated in February in a Postgraduate Course in Applied Office Psychiatry and Psychosomatic Medicine, which was sponsored by Temple University Medical School and held in Philadelphia. During the course, Dr. Rhoads spoke on "Death, Death Fantasies, and Suicides." He also spoke to residents in psychiatry on the topic of "Exhibitionism." He participated in the staff seminar during the course, at which time the general topic of impotence and frigidity was discussed.

RAY E. BROWN, Professor of Hospital Administration, has received an award for outstanding writing in the field of hospital administration from the American College of Hospital Administrators.

Professor Brown was chosen for the award for an article he wrote a year ago for *The Modern Hospital*, a widely circulated United States magazine that focuses on administration and operation of hospitals.

The article, "Administration Is Not a Numbers Game," was chosen from hundreds published



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in eight journals relating to the health and hospital field.

In the seven years the A. C. H. A. has been giving this award, this is the third time Professor Brown has won it.



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Miss Covington, Head Nurse on INU, adjusts the Aquamatic Thermia pad which is part of the Aquamatic Thermia equipment bought for the hospital by the Hospital Auxiliary. With this equipment, doctors and nurses are able to control as well as change body temperature and therefore can be prepared to handle acute temperature-control problems when they strike.