Mrs. F. Bayard Carter, Auxiliary Founder, Dies

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Mrs. Bayard Carter (Harriet) died at Duke Hospital on Friday, October II, 1968. Each one who has known Mrs. Carter feels her loss and misses her spirit.

Mrs. Carter was the wife of Dr. Bayard Carter, the first chairman and professor of the Department of Obstetrics-Gynecology at Duke University School of Medicine. She is survived by Dr. Carter, her daughter, Mrs. Ann Hamilton Wears of Farmington, Conn., two grandchildren, Peter Bayard Wears and Jenny Wears, and a sister, Mrs. J. Philip Lane of Boston.

Mrs. Carter was a gifted and gracious lady, a person with rare qualities of leadership. Her unfailing interest, enthusiasm, tact and understanding catalyzed numerous undertakings, and led to thesuccessful accomplishment of many objectives. She was aristocratic and stately. yet warm and comfortable, accepting people just as they were. She was a pleasure to be with, and a charismatic person who lent charm and color to even menial tasks. Unforgettable characteristics of Mrs. Carter were her remarkable friendliness, kindliness, and sincere concern for the welfare of those around her. If her ambition was to make the Durham community and Duke Hospital a better place, she truly succeeded.

A generation of medical students and residents found Mrs. C, as they called her, a confidante, adviser, and friend. They also recognized the important role she played in helping Dr. Carter become one of the outstanding figures in American medical affairs.

Mrs. Carter served in many civic endeavors: Salvation Army Board, Salvation Home and Hospital, the Durham Housing Commission, U.S.O., and Pineswood Garden Club. She was a member of St. Philip's Episcopal Church.

Her civic interests never overshadowed her devotion to Duke Hospital, and a major demonstration of this was the organization, in 1950, of the Duke Hospi-



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tal Auxiliary by Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Watt Eagle. The accomplishments and the organizational abilities of these two outstanding women caused hospital auxiliaries to be formed in many areas throughout North Carolina. Mrs. Carter soon became the N. C. advisory councilor for the American Hospital Association.

Mrs. Carter was a woman with a sense of the future. She believed in people, and she was able to bring out the best in them. She felt that a hospital auxiliary should play three important roles: I) to help the hospital meet its needs, 2) to interpret the hospital and its functions to the community, and 3) to assist in fund-raising projects.

Mrs. Bayard Carter's passing reminds each of us that a life interlaced with work and fun lives on in the minds and thoughts of all those whose lives she touched.

Auxiliary Hears Dr. Woodhall

Automation in hospitals and screening clinics . . . heavy federal support of medical education and nursing home care . . . the fiscal failure of many private universities . . . the beginnings of the control of the privilege of death.

Dr. Barnes Woodhall, associate provost for medical affairs, shared those predictions with members of the Duke Hospital Auxiliary in a speech, "Medicine in the Year 2000," during a recent auxiliary membership meeting.

Dr. Woodhall, who said that threefourths of the people alive today will be around 32 years from now to test his predictions, believes the time has come to begin applying more of today's advanced technology in direct patient care.

New technology, he said, will provide "automatic screening clinics, computers programmed to receive and print out patient histories, and satellites beamed to teach around the globe modern patient care methods and techniques."

Because of the financial strain on private colleges and universities, Dr. Woodhall predicted, without naming them, that "only seven such institutions will survive the year 2000,"

As the progress of medicine and other sciences extends the life span of man, an additional strain will be placed on the already-overburdened elderly-care facilities. More doctors and other health personnel also will be needed to meet the health demands of a mounting population.

On a philosophical point, the former dean of medicine said that "we have reached the point where we can ethically control the privilege of life" with birth control pills and other means.

By the year 2000, he said, "I predict that we shall as well, after thoughtful debate, begin to control the privilege of death in people who are irreparably injured by chronic disease and have no hope of returning to normal health."

New Schedule For Night Lunch.

House staff and other employes who work at night have been getting hungry a bit sooner lately.

The personnel cafeteria near the main lobby began serving night lunch an hour earlier, from 9:30 to 10:30 p.m., Oct. 7.

The cafeteria previously featured a luncheon menu from 10:30 to 11:30 p.m.

for staff working late at the hospital. The change was made because public transportation facilities which the cafeteria employes use do not stop on campus after II:15 p.m.

The new schedule was established on a trial basis until reaction to the change is evaluated.