



DR. JACOBS

Dr. Jacobs To Direct PT Staff

A former chairman of the Division of Physical Therapy at the University of Alabama has been named director of physical therapy at Duke University Medical Center.

Duke Provost R. Taylor Cole announced the appointment of Dr. Miriam J. Jacobs to the position. Dr. Jacobs also will assume duties as director of the educational programs in physical therapy and assistant professor of anatomy.

In her new position Dr. Jacobs will be in charge of both the two-year graduate program in physical therapy and the post-baccalaureate curriculum leading to professional certification.

She succeeds Miss Helen Kaiser who returned to her teaching position as associate professor of physical therapy.

Dr. Jacobs received her B. A. degree from Seton Hill College and is a graduate of the professional program in physical therapy at the D. T. Watson School of the University of Pittsburgh. She later earned an M. S. degree in anatomy at the University of Pittsburgh and a Ph. D. degree in the same field at the University of Alabama in 1966.

In 1955, Dr. Jacobs received an award from the American Physical Therapy Association for her contributions to the profession. She has published extensively in the field of physical therapy and her experience and research include poliomyelitis prevention studies, rehabilitation of the brain-damaged child, developmental neurology and fetal behavior.

Duke Nurses Help Initiate NCSNA Clinical Sessions

Between 500 and 600 nurses from all over the state attended the first North Carolina State Nurses' Association Clinical session in Durham October 22-25.

The NCSNA is the first organization of its kind anywhere in the country to begin biennial clinical workshops rather than just annual business meetings. The four-day program, entitled "Cardio-Vascular Nursing—Congenital and Acquired," included presentations of two case studies in nursing care of cardio-vascular patients.

Four Duke Hospital nurses and one member of the School of Nursing faculty gave clinical papers and discussions at the conference. Many other members of the nursing staff participated in case study dramatizations and served as hostesses for the program.

Through the case presentations all phases of nursing care—including community health, geriatric, maternal and child health, medical-surgical and psychiatric and mental health were involved.

Mrs. Mary Davison, assistant director of special surgical services, was program chairman for the four-day event. She led discussions and planned summaries of the clinical demonstrations.

Miss Diane Burke, assistant director of pediatric nursing, gave a paper on "Definitive Diagnostic Measures and Concomitant Nursing Care." Gloria Stevens, head nurse on Howland ward, discussed "Convalescent Care and Habilitation" of the child suffering from tetralogy of Fallot.

Mrs. JoAnn McLees, nursing supervisor, explained equipment used in treating a heart attack patient. Miss JoAnn Ritchie, assistant professor in the School of Nursing, gave a paper on "Pre-Operative Preparation" of the child with tetralogy of Fallot.

Medical Center nursing personnel participating in the clinical dramatizations included Mrs. Velma Rohla, night supervisor, Mrs. Mary McColm, assistant director for outpatient services, Mrs. Edith Aiken, evening supervisor, and Norman Leathers and Terry Johnson, patient care technicians in the recovery room. Rev. Will Spong, a hospital chaplain, also aided in the presentations.

Serving as hostesses for the clinical sessions were B. J. Brooks of Medical OPC, Ann Johnson of Surgical OPC, Margaret Messick of Emergency OPC, Nancy Burris of Reed ward, Flora Smith of Halstead ward and Helen Gay of ENT OPC.

State nurses attending the session enjoyed special entertainment each evening. The events included an old-fashioned sing, a Hawaiian luau and a western hoedown.

PA Training

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The symposium, sponsored by the Department of Community Health Sciences, was a full-scale discussion of the Duke program and related programs at other institutions such as Cleveland Clinic, the University of Kentucky and Alderson-Broadus College in Philippi, W. Va.

Discussion subjects ranged from the role of the federal government in paramedical education and orthopaedic assistant specialty programs to the legal status of the PA's and a survey of physicians' expectations.

So far 16 men have graduated from the two-year program. The first three—the "old-timers" now—are Richard Scheele, Victor Germino and Kenneth Ferrell.

This year's new students are:

Full-time—Don G. Adams of Chicago; Gerald D. Bassett of Alameda, Calif.; Benjamin D. Berger of Pebble Beach, Calif.; Ronald B. Bean, Michael J. Brown, Charles E. DuBay, Michael K. Fitch, and Lazaro Gonzales, all of Durham; James E. Konopa of Freeport, Ill.; Arthur R. Lamb of Birmingham, Ala.; Michael G. Quirk of Minneapolis, Minn.; Bruce A. Schalamon of Livermore, Calif.; and Thomas D. Aschenbrener of Dubuque, Iowa.

Part-time—Miles H. Cavanaugh of Albany, N. Y.; Paul D. DeMoss of Richmond, Va.; Howard B. Goodwin III of Durham; and Gilbert R. Nemes of Hazelton, Pa.