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**SPENDING THEIR SUMMER AT DUKE**—Student nurses from throughout the United States are spending 10 weeks of their summer vacation in the Professional Nurse Assistant Program, a special Duke summer employment opportunity. (See story on page 2). Working on the medical wards, Long and Hanes, are, from left to right, Cathy Hart, Suzie Perlee, Mary Catherine Davis, Alice May Succop, and Janet Chesson. (photo by Lewis Parrish)

## Dr. W.G. Anlyan Delivers Lecture On Health Care

(Dr. William G. Anlyan, vice president for health affairs, delivered the 82nd annual Shattuck Lecture of the Massachusetts Medical Society in Boston on Wednesday. He made some significant points about the involvement of politics in the nation's health care. Following is a news article prepared on his talk:)

BOSTON—The head of one of the country's major academic health centers today appealed to President Nixon and whoever will be the Democratic Party nominee to erase politics from the nation's health care picture.

He also encouraged presidential support for development of a long-range health care blueprint that would stretch across many future administrations.

In a speech that took the form of a letter to "Mr. President and Mr. Nominee," Duke University's vice president for health affairs, Dr. William G. Anlyan, said, "The time span to achieve an optimum (health care) system may extend beyond the dominance of any one party. Therefore, a blueprint that can be supported by both parties is required."

As one point of support for separation of health care from politics, Anlyan said that several Washington advisory groups on biomedical research over the past decade have contained "incompetent or less-than-adequately competent" members who have received advisory appointments "as a reward for political allegiance."

This type of political influence, coupled with insufficient federal funding, means that "our world leadership in biomedical research is being eroded," Anlyan said.

Anlyan said that advice to the White

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## Conference Explores Aging Problem

Not everyone 65 and older is "elderly" or "aged." Many people appear, feel and act young far into what is considered old age.

But hundreds of thousands of that population group are physically, socially and mentally aged, to the point that they live out their remaining years in rest homes, nursing homes or other institutions.

A national conference meeting here for a three-day session that started yesterday is exploring that problem. The name of the conference is "Alternatives to Institutional Care for Older Americans: Practice and Planning."

Sponsored by Duke's Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development, the conference sessions are being held in Zener Auditorium of the Sociology-Psychology Building.

It was organized for people working directly with the elderly, and for those responsible for planning local, state, regional and national programs for older Americans.

Last night's dinner speaker was Sen. Thomas F. Eagleton, D-Mo., a member of the Senate Special Committee on Aging. Speakers today include Dr. Marie Callender, special assistant for nursing home affairs in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; Bryon Gold, assistant to the special consultant to the President; and J. Eddie Brown, executive director of the N.C. Governor's Coordinating Council on Aging.

Duke is calling on 15 of its faculty and staff to take part in the program and supplement ideas supplied by more than 20 other visiting speakers from across the country.