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Squeak! Squeak!! No More!!!

One of the most important improvements ever made in St. Luke's Hospital is now nearly completed. Nobody but the Superintendent and the nurses know how much inconvenience it has caused during the past four weeks, but it is worth it all. The fact is that the floors in St. Luke's Hospital squeaked! Whether the squeaks were due to the mere perversity of inanimate objects, or whether they were due to the fact that the floors were not properly laid when the hospital was built, is not important for the purpose of this piece in the Bulletin. But the squeaks were very important! In the rooms, in the corridors, in the wards, the floors squeaked. It seems to be true that they squeaked worse at night than they did in the daytime, so that in spite of the fact that nurses tried to avoid the squeaky places, patients were annoyed. Like sunshine coming suddenly after a storm the Trustees were informed one day that an anonymous donor would give one thousand dollars to fix the floors. Another loyal friend of the hospital said that he would give enough more to do a bang-up job. . . . (and that means a plenty!)

Thus and therefore, the old floors have been torn up, new concrete laid over the old, and on top of the concrete, battle-ship linoleum throughout the main floor. The result is sanitary, noiseless and good-looking. You can't hear a nurse, even in the night-time, and as for the doctors, they can steal upon you all unbeknownst! The Trustees and most everybody else are of the opinion that St. Luke's Hospital is about the best institu-

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Lanier Library Report

(By Mary F. Carpenter)
Librarian Lanier Library

A review of the Library's activities during the past year shows a steady growth in all phases of its work. There has been an increase in the circulation of books and magazines, many reference questions answered, and a great deal of time given to borrowers in the selection of books.

The growth or decline of a library is best obtained by an analysis of the day's work which is difficult to express in words. The best guide in arriving at conclusions seems to come from indirect personal dealings with the readers and book borrowers. Statistics do not show adequately the actual work accomplished, but are indicators to some extent of its growth and decline.

The popular use of the Library named in terms of books borrowed gives the figure of 15,857 volumes in actual circulation which tops last year's circulation by 462. 1,765 magazines were circulated with an increase of 292 this year. 2,627 children's books went out last year, while this year it has amounted to 3,043, a gain of 410. As usual more fiction than non-fiction has circulated, but books of biography, travel, sociology, literature, and religion have been in constant demand.

There have been more borrowers this year than last, the subscription cards amounting to over 400. Two cards have been given to each of the five grades at school, and many children have taken out cards of their own, and seem to

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