

Hospital Volunteers



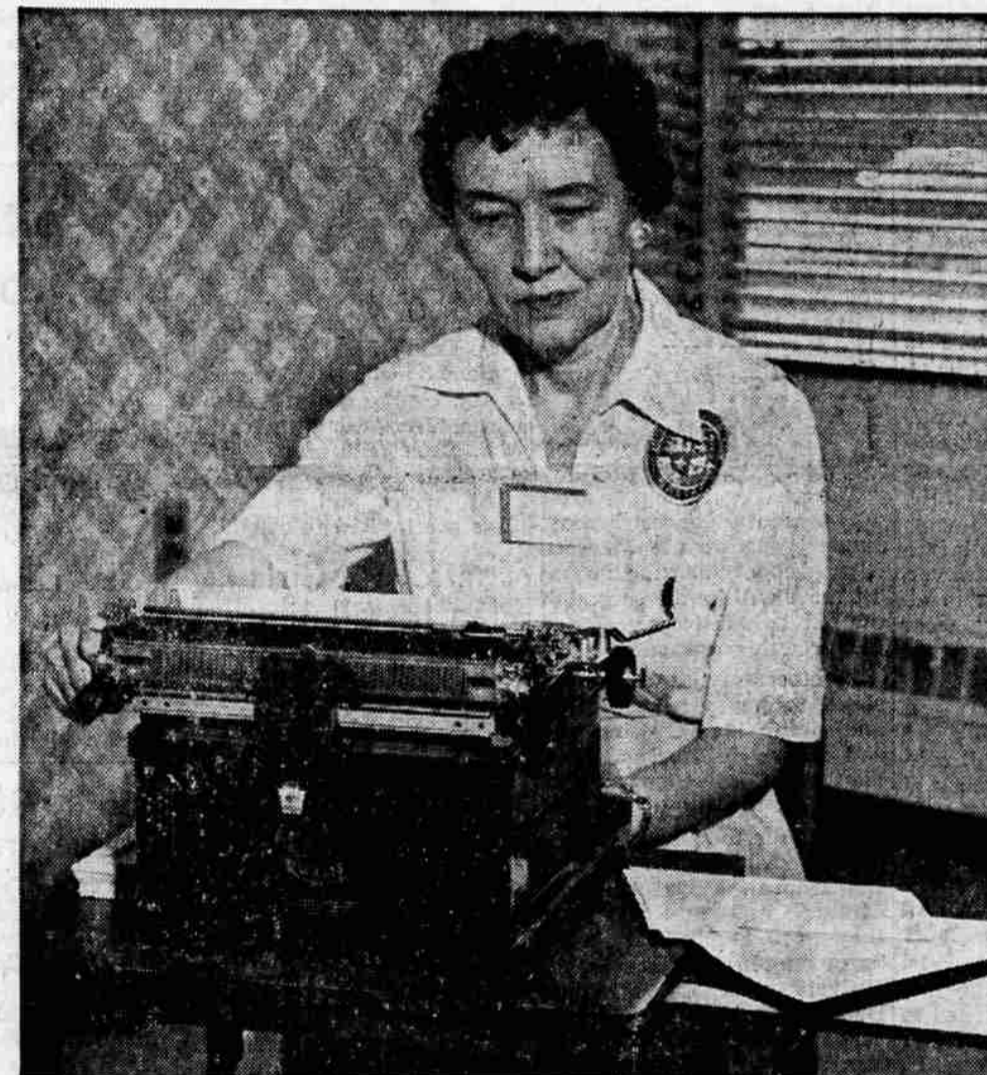
Mrs. John Winton, Eagle Point (at left) retiring president of Rogue Valley Memorial Hospital auxiliary, presided over the group's annual meeting Friday afternoon. Mrs. Winton is pictured with Mrs. Robert Morris, Medford, one of 16 women honored for having given 100 hours of volunteer service to the hospital. Mrs. Morris has worked in the snack bar of the new hospital, and has also performed other services sponsored by the auxiliary. The auxiliary has 144 members who contributed a total of 8,313 hours from October 1, 1957, to October 1, 1958. The services performed by the volunteers do not duplicate those of the paid personnel, it is stressed, but add to the comfort of the patients and relieve the staff of minor tasks.



Mrs. Corbin Edgell (at left) and Mrs. Sprague Riegel, were two of the Medford women honored at the annual meeting of Rogue Valley Memorial Hospital auxiliary Friday. The two women, who have each given more than 100 hours of volunteer hospital service, spend part of their time at the hospital arranging and caring for the flowers sent to patients. Before organization of the auxiliary, nurses took time out from their crowded schedules to care for the flowers. The auxiliary women also operate a hospitality cart for the convenience of patients and their visitors, deliver mail and maintain an information desk.



One of the important duties of the Rogue Valley Hospital auxiliary is working with bandage supplies, since thousands upon thousands of bandages in various sizes are needed by the hospital. Pictured here are Mrs. William Barker (at left) and Mrs. Grace Collins counting bandages into bundles of 10. This is painstaking work, since there must be no errors in the count. Mrs. Barker is chairman of the staff service section of the auxiliary.



Mrs. Fred Morlan, who received her 100-hour pin from the Rogue Valley Hospital auxiliary Friday, spends most of her volunteer hours typing. This clerical work was recently added to the auxiliary's services and it is reported that skilled accurate typists are seldom available for volunteer duty.



Mrs. Kenneth Baker is providing a highly specialized service for the hospital. A trained librarian, Mrs. Baker is engaged in the task of classifying and cataloging the medical library in order that it may be more useful to the doctors of the area. The library, which has about 400 volumes, is being gradually increased in size. In addition to the library work, Mrs. Baker has also worked with the hospitality cart and in the snack bar. The Bakers are newcomers to the valley, having moved here in the spring of 1957.



Two of the women who earned their 100-hour pins by sewing for the hospital are Mrs. Bessie Bearcliff (at left) and Mrs. Mary Woodward. The women who sew for the hospital make cart sheets, envelopes for surgical gloves, bottle covers, bassinette spreads, suture bags, surgery slips and many other articles. In addition to the women pictured on this page, others earning their 100-hour pins are Mrs. Mary C. Brown, Mrs. Edwin R. Durno, Mrs. Beryl Lyon, Mrs. Eugene Thorndike and Mrs. C. G. Van Valzah. Many other valley women have been presented their pins at past annual meetings.