the hermann hospital
annual report for

1952

Houston, Texas
SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE:  
The Necessary Link...

From the time he enters medical school until he is able to establish a practice, the young doctor is instructed by experienced, practicing physicians, and progressively more and more of his education takes place in a hospital. It is here that he comes in actual contact with the sick, and it is here—first as a student, next as an intern, and then as a resident—that he advances in his knowledge of the cause and treatment of diseases. His knowledge is never complete, and as a practicing physician, he continues his informal education among his fellows in the hospital.

Through its affiliation with the University of Houston Central College of Nursing, Hermann Hospital helps to train undergraduate nurses in both theory and practice. Like the medical student, the student nurse must receive her practical experience in the hospital.

As a highly complex and specialized organization, a hospital employs many specially trained people, but in nearly every case their education must be continued at the hospital. In addition to classes for student nurses, and conferences for graduate nurses, there are courses for the technicians and on-the-job training for all personnel.

HERMANN has been a teaching hospital since 1925, when its first building was erected and stood virtually alone on what was then the outskirts of Houston. Now known as the Clinic Building, the original hospital, nearly surrounded today by other Hermann Hospital facilities, is still the key teaching unit. It is back-to-back with the new hospital building; the nursing college is on one side between them. On the other side is the Doctors' Residence and Arabia Shrine Clinic. Across the street stands the multi-story Hermann Professional Building, with offices for 180 doctors and allied professional services.
Left, X-Ray technicians are trained. Right, the training of laboratory technicians. Right, below, physio-therapy is taught.

Seen at night from atop the Professional Building are the Clinic Building, left; the nursing residence and U. of H. College of Nursing, foreground; the new hospital building, right, and the Arabia Shrine Clinic, left background.

Hospital Administration Seminar

Employee's On-the-Job Training
HERMANN HOSPITAL'S
Educational Work in ...

To fulfill its primary function in the care of its patients, the modern hospital must serve as a center for the teaching and training of those who would serve the sick anywhere.

Hermann, in its new 375-bed hospital and 250-bed Clinic Building, and through its affiliation with the 50-bed Arabia Temple Crippled Children's Clinic and University of Houston Central College of Nursing on the grounds, is fulfilling this obligation through the training of resident physicians, interns, nurses, technicians and other workers within the hospital.

During 1952, Hermann Hospital treated 30,162 patients. There were 4,938 babies born, 12,576 operations performed, 261,353 laboratory tests made, 13,177 persons treated in the emergency room, 31,230 X-Rays made, 34,238 visits to the physical medicine department, 40,558 visits to the outpatient departments and 83,897 medical reports processed. The total expense was $4,546,897.48.

"...to educate those who would serve humanity"
—American Hospital Association

LEFT: A chief of service discusses a case with other members of his service, a resident, interns, medical students and an undergraduate nurse.
All Walks of Life...

One hundred beds in the Clinic Building are reserved for the indigent patients of Houston and Harris County who require hospitalization, and last year the outpatient department received more than 40,000 visits. By the aid of earnings from the endowment trust, services to the value of $550,434.34 were gratuitously rendered to provide the needy free and part-pay patients with clinic service and hospital care.

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