



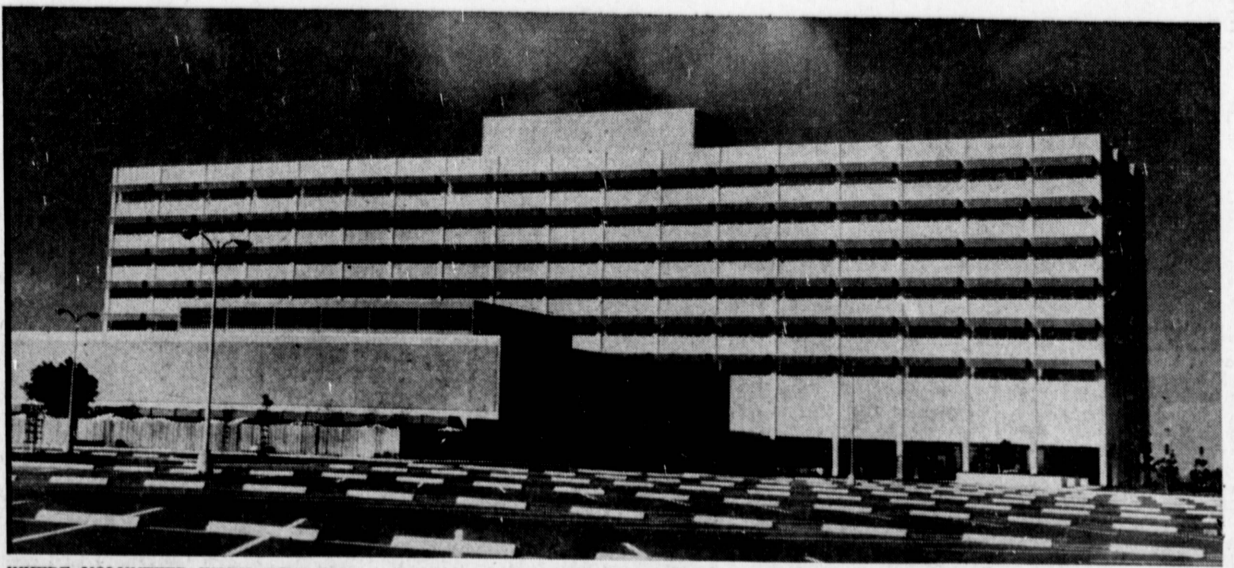
**VOLUNTEERS AND DIRECTOR . . .** All Volunteer groups serving the Los Angeles County Harbor General Hospital, are represented in this group, each wearing the official uniform. They are from left, Mrs. Richard Stambook, Torrance, Volunteers for Children; Mrs. Lambert W. Brownlee, Torrance, Auxiliary member; Midge Slaymaker, Garden Grove, representing the daughters of service officers in the Long Beach area, who recently joined the Candy Strippers; Sharon Lindsay, Hollywood Riviera, Candy Stripper; Mrs. Marguerite Broen McAllister, hospital staff Chief of Volunteer Patient Services; and Mrs. Joe Waters, Torrance, Gray Ladies.



**CENTRAL SUPPLY WORK . . .** An endless task is the folding of sheets in the linen room in central supply, where sheets and towels must be folded for sterilization. Here, Mrs. Montana Schemp, senior attendant, instructs Jean Ricks, 18, and Nina Pounders, 15, Torrance Candy Strippers, in how to fold a green sheet. The girls are wearing the distinctive Candy Stripper uniforms.



**IN X-RAY LABORATORY . . .** Extra hands are always needed in the x-ray laboratory where workers file negatives or make quick deliveries of the x-ray when the doctor calls. Looking at the negative are, from left, Jackie Parness, Garden Grove; Mrs. Eva Allen, hospital intermediate clerk, Vicky Young, Paramount; and Linda Hook, Rolling Hills, Candy Stripper.



**WHERE VOLUNTEER WORK GOES ON . . .** In this new \$15,400,000 Harbor General Hospital, dedicated in January, volunteer groups comprised of area women and teenagers known as the Candy Strippers put in hours of service to those in distress. Many clubs of the vicinity have chosen various sections of the hospital, especially the pediatric wards,

as their main philanthropies. Patients were moved into the new hospital on Feb. 23, this year. For weeks prior to the big move, volunteers, clubs, and others interested assisted with making curtains, setting up wards, and other organizational work. A. L. Thomas is the administrator of the unit which is geared to handle 22,000 patients annually.

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**900 Women Participate**

**Volunteers Bespeak Community Interest**

Busy and satisfying are the days in the life of any Volunteer worker who spends her time in the corridors, work rooms and wards at Harbor General Hospital.

Busy because hour after hour the needs of the sick are fulfilled; satisfying because each chore makes life brighter for those in need.

Eight years ago, a handful of dedicated Torrance women organized the adult "Volunteers for Children" at Harbor General Hospital. This was the beginning of the hospital's Volunteer Patient Service Division, which today numbers 900 workers with an impressive record of 363,286 hours of service. These figures are exclusive of the hours donated by the South Bay Red Cross Gray Ladies, who began their services when the hospital opened in 1946 and are still "lending a hand."

Volunteer Patients Service, directed by Mrs. Marguerite Broen McAllister, who was brought to the staff by Administrator A. L. Thomas in 1955, consists of two adult groups, Volunteers for Children and the Hospital Auxiliary, and a teenage group, Candy Strippers all from Torrance and surrounding area. They were joined recently by a group of daughters of service officer personnel in the Long Beach area. Their uniform is blue with a candy

stripe trim while Candy Strippers wear pink pinafores with white blouses. Candy Stripe boys wear shirts with the candy stripe trim or plain white shirt and trousers.

"We can always use more Volunteers," stated Mrs. McAllister. "The work is varied, interesting and there is gratification in being of service to those in distress. Men are especially needed to help distribute books and magazines from the library to the men's ward."

Mrs. "Mac" invites any interested to call the Volunteers office for further information.

The Harbor Hospital Auxiliary is the main fund-raising group, recently donating \$3,000 for television sets for the children's ward, equipment in occupational and physical therapy units for patients' personal needs.

A. L. Thomas, administrator, stated, "The Volunteers, an integral unit of any hospital of size, perform invaluable service. This service is not only within the hospital, but it is a means by which thoughtful persons in the community may come to know their hospitals and their problems. Our Volunteers are dedicated persons with high standards and a devotion to the exacting code of ethics each is required to accept for hospital security and patient welfare."



**GRAY LADIES HOSPITALITY . . .** Mrs. Joe Waters, left, and Mrs. Allen Maxwell, Torrance Gray Ladies, bring a note of cheer by supplying current reading materials to Mrs. Sheila Dorn, patient. The Gray Ladies also assist with letter writing, shopping and other services to the patients.

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**TOYS FOR CHILDREN . . .** Mrs. Lloyd J. Andrews, left, and Mrs. Richard Stambook, Torrance Volunteers for Children, are securing toys from the Pediatrics Occupational Therapy play and exercise room for their work with the children. Volunteers for Children spend hours with their young hospitalized patients and very often give birthday parties for their charges.

**STERILIZE GLOVES . . .** From 700 to 1000 pairs of gloves are sterilized and examined for tears daily in the glove room at Harbor Hospital. Here, Mrs. Marvin Beyrodt, auxiliary member, powders glove as Mrs. Elga Green, attendant, supplies more. From here, the gloves are sent to the Autoclave or sterilizer.



**IN RECEIVING . . .** Miss Sara Mitchell, RN, assistant head nurse in receiving, directs Candy Strippers Robert Hodge, 14, San Pedro, Karen Rafferty, 15, Torrance, and Socorro Leal, 16, Torrance, in securing supplies to be delivered throughout the hospital. Quick, efficient service is a must in this department where patients are brought into the hospital.