

Volunteer Mrs. James Bauch plays cards with patient Tyreas Pointer in Sevon Hospice, where diagnostic patients take care of themselves.

## Seton Volunteers: HELPING AT ST. MARY'S

St. Mary's Hospital has a devoted corps of volunteers in the widespread branches of the Seton Volunteers, an organization devoted solely to helping support the first real hospital of Rochester.

More than a thousand women belong to the 75 branches of the Seton Volunteers group, which was founded in 1905 and organized in 1933 into its present structure

Each fall the volunteers offer their talent to the Seton Sale (to be held Oct. 4 this year), which offers specialties ranging from unusual breads to exotic imports.

Funds raised this year go to help pay for an Early Detection Coronary Care unit in St. Mary's, which will process heart patients from Emergency into the Coronary Care unit within seven minutes of admission.

The Seton Sale and the Seton Ball, both well-known social activities of the Rochester scene, raised \$28,000 last year for the hospital. The Seton Ball, an annual November event, was begun 17 years ago by Bishop James E. Kearney.

The proceeds from this year's ball will go for a fund to support a medical-surgical intensive care unit.

A third aspect of Seton activity is the Thrift Shop at Genesee and Ardmore Street in Rochester, in which donated items are sold at a reasonable cost to the community.

In addition to their other contributions to St. Mary's Hospital, the Seton women have made possible the opening of a "Seton Hospice," an area in the hospital which more resembles a motel than a typical ward. Convalescent patients and those undergoing tests stay in the hospice.

The various annual projects include a fashion show and an education fund, set up to give on-the-job training to students interested in hospital work.

Finally, Seton Volunteers assist in some hospital work and staff St. Mary's gift shop, which provides a convenience for the families of patients and another financial lift for the hospital.



Physio-therapy: Seton volunteer Mrs. Edward Klingler shows School 29 students Raymond Lovette and Una Boddie how a patient works with walking bars...



. . . while Mrs. Raymond Bergan checks temperature in whirlpool bath, a Seton aided project at hospital.