



PREPARATIONS — Pat Galvin of Poughkeepsie, operating room supervisor, right, and Cindy Walden of Fishkill, her assistant, are checking instruments in the operating department in preparation for emergency surgery, which was performed a short time later.

FOOD'S HER MEAT — Starting as a tray girl in 1973, Ruth Kniffen, photo right, has worked her way up to food service manager at the hospital, overseeing the preparation of meals by the dietary department's 13 employees. A native of Cold Spring, Mrs. Kniffen attended Haldane Central School, after which she worked as a nurse's aide at the East Point Nursing Home for six years. She was appointed food service manager at Butterfield last year. Mrs. Kniffen and her husband, Gary, have two daughters. They live in Beacon.

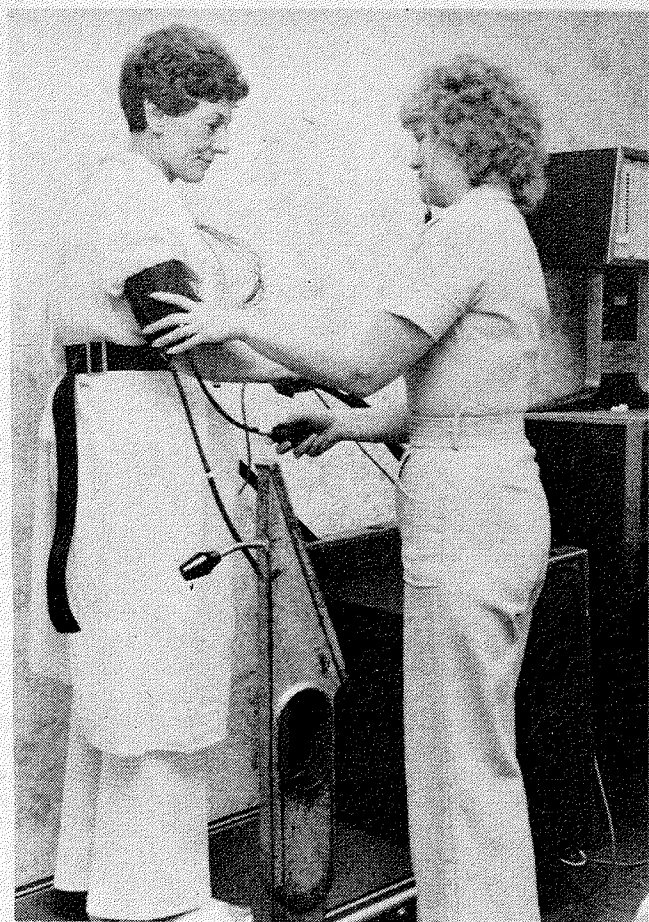
AT WORK in the kitchen are, left to right in the photo below right, Lisa Van Tassell, Elizabeth Parras and Ruth Ann Lobombard, dietary aides.



KEEPING HOUSE — Carol Aylward, head housekeeper, right in the photo below, is instructing Holly Beltran, a member of her staff, in the use of cleaning materials.



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TO THE PATIENT'S TASTE — Judy Monroe, a dietary aide, preparing a special plate.



MAKING SURE — Loretta Atkins, laboratory supervisor, preparing to run tests.