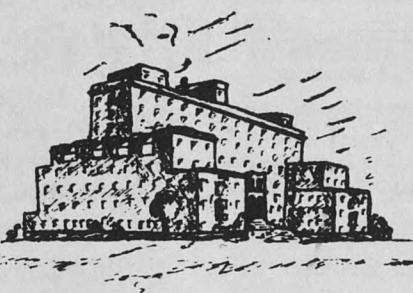


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*Dolores Rubin and Dr. Mei Wang are seen injecting hens' eggs as part of a special research program on embryonic development. (See story, page 3)*

## Executive Director's Column

Elsewhere in this issue is the announcement of the first annual employees party, an affair that we hope to make a yearly event at this holiday season.

This year, too, we are honoring for the first time those who have been members of the Hospital family for periods of twenty-five, fifteen, and ten years.



We salute the following:

### 25 Years or More

**Marie Campbell**, Admitting Clerk; **Bernice Fitzpatrick** and **Olivia Hoock**, Telephone Operators; **Marguerite Humes**, Comptroller; **Olga Fischer**, Inventory Clerk; **Hepple Robinson**, Storekeeper; **Anna Keene**, Pantry Maid; **George Quick**, Chef; **Paul Robinson**, Second Chef; **Joseph Jennings**, Night Engineer; **Michael Somogyi**, Ph. D., Biochemist; **Rose McClellan**, R.N., Assistant Director of Nursing Service; **Edna E. Peterson**, R. N. Director of School of Nursing and Nursing Service; **P. C. Schnoebelen**, M.D., Radiologist; **Emma Garbee**, R.N., Chief X-Ray Technician; **Arthur E. Strauss**, M.D., Cardiologist; **Marjorie Boulton**, Medical Records, Librarian.

### 15 Years or More

**Peggy Murray**, Telephone Operator; **Josie Brandla**, Nurses' Residence Maid; **Amelia Filliez**, Nurses' Aide; **Avanelle Boyce**, R. N. Night Supervisor; **Virginia Reisinger**, R.N., Supervisor; **Isabell McMillan**, Maid.

### 10 Years or More

**Fred Entriken**, Butcher; **Helen Latta**, Chief Dietician; **Rachael Fifer**, Kosher Cook; **Mildred Dunn**, Cafeteria Supervisor; **Elvira Kimes**, Pastry Cook; **Clyde Staten**, Kitchen Helper; **Nellie Worley**, Pantry Maid; **Cecil Rudy**, Plasterer; **Mary Kallis**, Laundry Presser; **Moyer Fleisher**, M.D., Bacteriologist; **Margaret Harte**, Record Clerk; **Opal Runzi**, R.N., Head Nurse.

They will receive service pins at the party from Mr. Major B. Einstein, President of the Board of Directors.

*Ward Littauer M.D.*

## YE OLDE SUGGESTION BOX

The Personnel Advisory Committee judged 23 suggestions from employees during October, tabled five for more thoughtful consideration, and picked three winners. Walter Weaver, elevator pilot, suggested that visitors get all the information they need from a leaflet under each glass dresser top or framed for hanging in the wards. This leaflet will tell the times and prices of meals and snacks for visitors in our cafeteria, visiting hours, and other information. The first prize award is five dollars.

Lydia Woody from the Nursing Department suggested that bathtubs from which "hot" and "cold" faucet signs have been pilfered be re-equipped with new handles to prevent patients from receiving possible burns or fright. Isn't this worth three dollars?

Third prize went to Chris Yungermann of the Engineering Department who is responsible for the sign that was recently placed on the bulletin boards concerning tongue depressors. Few people who threw them into

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# Research Programs Bring Recognition To Jewish Hospital

By H.T. Blumenthal M.D., Pathologist.

Although little publicity has been given to it, considerable laboratory and clinical research have been in progress at the Jewish Hospital for more than a quarter of a century. Several of the more important contributions can be mentioned to emphasize the point.

Dr. Michael Somogyi's research in diabetes has received worldwide attention and the work in pancreatitis is well known to the medical world. There have been numerous case studies and research projects of lesser importance, but nonetheless representing concrete contributions to medical knowledge.

Within the past three years, in anticipation of the overall expansion of the hospital, we have also expanded our research horizons. An extensive project was initiated dealing with causes of hardening of the arteries (arteriosclerosis) and other aspects of aging.

More recently, a program of research was started dealing with problems at the other end of the age spectrum, maternal influences on the growth, development and birth of infants. This project has received financial support from the Noshim Rachmonioth Society amounting to about \$2000.00 a year, and in its expansion has recently received a grant of \$10,000.00 from the Children's Research Foundation. It is being carried out by a husband and wife team, Drs. T. Y. and Mei Wang. They are using chick embryos which do not depend upon a mother for development so that substances which are known to be contributed by the mother in human pregnancy can be injected into the chick embryo to see what effects they will have.

Dr. Moyer Fleisher, Bacteriologist, embarked on a study of a type of cancer of lymph nodes known as Hodgkins disease. He has isolated a bacterium which may prove to be a

causative factor in this type of cancer.

About a year ago, the hospital received a grant honoring the memory of Jacob Schultz, and with this money we are establishing a laboratory for the study of enzymes, protein molecules which speed up chemical reactions in the body, and which may produce abnormal reactions leading to disease.



*Dr. Blumenthal (center) receives check from Charles Weiss, Treasurer of The Children's Foundation as Albert Stix, President of the organization looks on.*

The backbone of the research program has been the laboratory staff with its technical know-how and its basic research, the real source of new approaches to patient treatment. This group has also worked with doctors of our clinical staff and from the latter have emerged clinicians who are also competent investigators.

A great deal of money is needed to carry on research in these days when newer instruments and new techniques continually come to

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## New Appointments Made At Sanatorium Division



DR. STEINBERG



MR. GEE

Last month's issue announced the retirement of Dr. Selig Simon as Medical Director of the Jewish Sanatorium in Robertson, Missouri. Named to succeed him are Dr. Franz U. Steinberg as Medical Director and Mr. David A. Gee as Assistant Director. They will assume their duties on a part time basis on January 1, 1953.

Dr. Steinberg, born in Germany, received his doctor's degree from the University of Berne, Switzerland and interned at the Jewish Hospital in 1940. He took residencies in Internal Medicine at Koch and City Hospitals and is currently on the medical staffs of Jewish and Barnes Hospitals as well as being an instructor at Washington University School of Medicine. He is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and is an Associate in the American College of Physicians.

He has been admitting physician for the Jewish Sanatorium for a number of years and this work has done much to foster his interest in the problems of chronic disease. He believes that the care of the aged is an integral part of internal medicine and that in an aging population becomes of increasing importance.

Mr. Gee, a graduate of DePauw University,

## Annual Party To Be Held For Employees

The first Annual Employees' Party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 23 between 2:00 and 4:30 p.m. in the gymnasium of the Nurses' Residence. Arrangements for the gathering are being made by the Personnel Advisory Committee, and a gala time is in store for all employees.

Thirty-four employees who have served for ten years or longer will be honored with service pins awarded by Mr. Major B. Einstein, President of the Board of Directors. The presentations will take place at 3:00.

Seasonal music will be played and the old punch bowl has come down from the closet for use during the occasion. The festive decorations put up in the gymnasium by the student nurses will help give the holiday spirit to all employees.

The party will extend over two and one-half hours to enable department heads, by staggering necessary work, to allow all employees to attend the party. This is an excellent opportunity to chat with fellow workers over a cup of cheer instead of the usual tray of thermometers, armful of linen, or pile of unfinished reports.

## Red Feather News

With the campaign still not completed, the employees of Jewish Hospital have already given their largest contribution in the history of giving to the Community Chest. Of the hospital's 598 employees, 362 have contributed - a total of \$1,353.85. This compares with last year's \$1,306.09 given by 240 contributors. The Laboratories and Pharmacy have had 100% participation.

Since the Jewish Hospital is a Community Chest Agency, the employee's generosity in this year's campaign is greatly appreciated.

received his Master's degree in Hospital Administration from Washington University and

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# Auxiliary News

## President's Message

At this writing, our Jewish Hospital Medical Center Auxiliary is one month old. The enrollment of one thousand women in so short a time is proof that the women of the community realize how important the Jewish Hospital is in their daily lives. Women are idealists in visualizing the possibilities of a fine hospital and they also work in a practical way to achieve their ideals.

Our women have already given many hours of service to the hospital and are planning to give more. Although they have not asked for thanks, we, on the executive committee, are planning suitable methods of recognition.

The more members our organization has, the more service we can give. In a broad sense, each of you is a member of the Membership Committee. Won't you enroll a member by accepting her three dollars dues and mailing them to the Jewish Hospital Medical Center Auxiliary at the Jewish Hospital.

Dorothy Schweich,  
President.

## Volunteer Notes

Come out, come out, wherever you are! We mean you women who can type or file. The Volunteer Committee has put a great many women to work in the hospital helping the business office catch up on a back-log of clerical work, but even more are needed. The work is light, the associations pleasant and the hours are of your own choosing. The pay is non-existent but the satisfaction great.

Volunteers are also helping in the clinic and in the admitting office on a daily basis and they report a warm welcome by hospital personnel.

If you signed up to work but haven't been called, just remember that interviewing all our members and fitting the right women to each job is time consuming. However, Mrs. Meyer Marx, chairman of volunteers, Te. 4-8524, and her co-chairman, Mrs. Sam Freund, De. 0590, are always glad to hear from you eager ones who are ready and willing to work right now.

## DR. LITTAUER NEW PRESIDENT OF HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION



*At the annual banquet of the Missouri Hospital Association held November 21, Dr. David Littauer was presented as the new president of the association. He is seen above with Steacy Pickell of Kansas City, the outgoing president.*

## Suggestion Box (Cont. From Page 2)

knew the aggravation and expense these undissolvable wood bits can cause. Chris does, because he spent hours taking apart pipe until he found where they got lodged.

Many other very helpful suggestions have been submitted. They are graded, given a rating, and a notation is put on the Personnel Record of the employee submitting them. Next summer, we hope to pick the "Best Suggester of the Year."

# Divisional Patter

## Fee Fee Frolics

Dr. Kurt Herz, resident physician recently received a renewal of his Doctor's Degree commemorating the 50th anniversary of his graduation from the University of Heidelberg, Germany. In the letter of congratulations accompanying the diploma, the university referred to the close relations between the medical faculty of the university and Dr. Herz.

The personnel of the Sanatorium welcome Helen Davis to the office staff.

The patients enjoyed the recent visit of Mrs. Serkes and Mrs. Irvin Lending of the Women's Auxiliary during which they distributed a donation of blankets.

The United Hebrew Temple's Ladies' Aid Sewing Group have made lap robes for our wheel-chair patients.

## Miriam Murmurs

Fern Stewart, staff nurse, is attending a seminar on Physical Rehabilitation for Nurses at New York University-Bellevue Medical Center. The course is offered to registered nurses for instruction in approved methods and techniques in physical rehabilitation not usually included in the undergraduate nursing curriculum.

Information about Miriam Hospital is constantly being presented to the physicians of St. Louis to acquaint them further with the rehabilitation program available there. On October 24, the rehabilitation team presented a paraplegic case at City Hospital to demonstrate how the services available at Miriam could supplement the medical services of other hospitals.

On November 18, Dr. Macheck presented five cases at Jewish Hospital. He described

the treatments of the patients each representing various types of disabilities. The presentation was received with much interest. Comments from the patients themselves indicated their cooperation and eagerness to describe the benefits they have received.

The Health and Hospital Division of the Social Planning Council met on November 18 to discuss present and future programs for rehabilitation in the city. Among the speakers were Dr. Littauer, representatives from the universities and from City Hospital.

## Social Service Signals

The Social Service staff took part in an institute given by Dr. Alex Kaplan on "The Relationship of Personality Patterns to Illness," on November 22. The institute was under the auspices of the American Association of Medical Social Workers, the professional organization of which all the staff are members.

Vivian Simon will be in charge of staff meetings this year. These are held every other Friday and provide a means for staff participation in planning for the better functioning of the agency

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served his administrative residency at the Jewish Hospital, where he is Administrative Assistant at the present time. He is a member of the American Hospital Association and a nominee in the American College of Hospital Administrators. He will continue administrative duties at the main division while handling administration of the chronic disease division on Fee Fee Road.

# WARDS AND CORRIDORS

## Personnel Poetics

New faces seen around the hospital lately include Elizabeth Hammond in Housekeeping, James Funkhouser in the Isotope Laboratory, Minnie Pitman and Ruth Haley in Dietary, Manuel Armsby in Engineering, Blanche Fox in the Laboratory, Fred Koester in the Nurse's Residence, Gloria Eggers in Payroll, and Sharon Mattes in Personnel. We hope all of you enjoy your work at the Jewish Hospital.

## The Test Tube

On November 28, Barbara Averill of chemistry lab became the bride of Freddy Peterson. Freddy is an exchange student from Denmark and the couple plan to settle there next year.

Barbara Kaplan Green is visiting her husband at Fort Riley, Kansas and Norma Rambeau is planning a vacation with her husband when he comes home on leave.

Dr. Blumenthal addressed the Controllers Society of St. Louis on the subject, "A Doctor Looks at the Business Executive" on November 25. A few weeks ago, he presented a paper to the National Academy of Sciences to low temperatures.

## Staff Rounds

Dr. I. C. Middleman attended the American College of Surgeons meeting at New York's Waldorf Astoria where he presented a scientific exhibit entitled "The Exclusion Operation for Intestinal Fistula" in conjunction with Dr. E. L. Keyes.

Dr. Herman Maas attended the Southern Medical Association convention recently.

Dr. Sidney Goldenberg and his brand new wife, Janice, who were married on October 26, honeymooned in Chicago and Minneapolis.

## The Viewing Box

Dr. Hyman Senturia attended the American Roentgen Ray Society Convention in Texas and visited with Ruth Deutch, former secretary of the X-Ray Department while there. Frank Claseman has left the hospital to study for the priesthood at St. Ambrose College. Wanda Fricke has left the Therapy Department to become a missionary.

## Engine Room Epic

The Maintenance Department regrets the loss of one of its number - Edward Gray, night engineer, passed away suddenly on November 13.

## Administrative Analysis

Mrs. Edith Ball has just returned to work after a recent operation. Mrs. Ann Clinton, former admitting clerk, took her place while she was ill.

David A. Gee presented a paper at the American Hospital Association's Institute on Purchasing on November 10. Dr. Littauer presided at the meeting.

## Nursing Notes

Get well wishes go to Ruth Votava, R.N., clinic nurse and Alice Gresham, R.N., residence librarian who both were in the hospital.

Rose McClellan, R.N., Chairman of the Nurse Enrollment Program for the Red Cross was instrumental in supplying nurses for transferring patients from the Hillsboro Nursing Home after its disastrous fire. Nurses from J.H. who answered the call were Mary Melvin, R.N. and Jane Sprott and Dolores Bolanovich, senior student nurses.

Graduate nurses Dorothy Wernsman and Marjorie Stover were stationed at the Red Cross First Aid Station at the Boy Scout Ex-

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at the Boy Scout Exposition at Kiel Auditorium.

The Christmas spirit has arrived. Student nurses are eagerly planning for their annual Christmas Dance on December 12 and for the Christmas Party on December 18.

Volley ball will be in the news soon as the students vie with other city schools of nursing in the city-wide tournament beginning in January. A ping-pong tournament is also scheduled between the faculty and the students.

Members of the School of Nursing Alumnae Association presented their annual style show at the Nurses' Residence on December 2.

On November 5, Edna Korf, R.N., Instructor in Public Health Nursing, gave an orientation talk to 60 Red Cross volunteers who are going to work in various St. Louis hospitals.

Welcome to new employees in the Nursing Department: Betty Hedger, R.N., Leona Nelson, R.N., Jane Forniss, Frankie Johnson, and Dorothy Ziegler.

**Research (Cont. From Page 3)**

the fore. In addition, to the sources previously mentioned, the research program has received continuous generous support over a period of several decades from Mr. Morton D. May and Mrs. Louis Monheimer and from time to time from various pharmaceutical firms such as the Upjohn Company and the Schering Corporation. The Tribute Fund with its numerous donors who appear in the pages of this paper has also constituted an important source of financial support of our research program.

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