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MIS PROGRESS

Clint Cooper, administrator for the new medical information system, told department heads Thursday that Technicon people and other technicians have moved us another mile down the road toward implementation of the new system. Printers and monitors (VMT's) are appearing in various locations, and several business office functions already are being handled by the Central computer on R8. The new facility there, incidentally, is virtually complete and with its impressive array of IBM equipment, colored lights and cables, and more than anything else, looks like mission control for the next Saturday night in outer space.

ORIENTATION DAY

As you read this, probably, more than 40 new members of the MMC family are being oriented in the NDF Classrooms in a program arranged by Alice Sharpe, R.N., assistant director of Personnel for employee education. It's probably the largest orientation group in several months, and includes 18 entering students in the Radiologic Technology program and an even dozen Medical Technology students. Others are new R.N.'s, LPN's and nurses' aides. The program includes brief presentations by Marge Harris, P/R assistant; Charles Huff, director of Personnel; Al Wicken of Physical Therapy, Sam Cummings, chief of Security; Jim Fraser, also from Security; Frank Magnarelli and John Matthews of Hospital Engineering.

MEMORIES OF MGH

Jim MacKenzie of Audio/Visual Resources and Printer Norm Boucher are laboring with P/R people this week to produce what they hope will be an interesting and informative booklet about the Maine General Hospital. Hopefully the publication will be timed with the annual meeting of the Maine General Hospital Alumnae Association here next week. Running into some 40 pages, the book includes several familiar, yet still valuable sketches, and provides a lively overview of the hospital's growth and progress during the past century. Included, besides some interesting old pictures, is material written by George O. Cummings, M.D., Isaac M. Webber, M.D.; Miss Catharine Beatley and other long-term watchers of the changing MMC scene.

NDF FUND PASSES \$1,000,000 MARK!

The Casco Bank and Trust Company has just joined other generous NDF fund contributors by making a commitment which raises the total of gifts and pledges to \$1,000,528.43.

These contributions are reducing the \$5,045,000 debt incurred by MMC in building and equipping the New Diagnostic Facility. Other individuals and firms are being approached in a continuing mini-campaign for additional gifts and pledges.

9-GAME STREAK

MMC softball team has moved into third place in their league standings by winning the last nine games played, reports Coach Gary Sanborn. The next outing for the MMC team is tonight at 6 p.m., Jack Junior High Field, Eastern Promenade, against the Maine National Bankers.

NO ROOM FOR ERROR

There's now no doubt as to the location of the entrance to the Emergency Division.

The new vestibule, built two weeks ago to improve the ambulance entrance, is now clearly marked with a sign 16 feet long. The colors? Red, white and blue, of course.... it's the Bi-Centennial year, you know.

MEETING NOTICE

MMC Employees Activity Committee will meet Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Cafeteria Conference Room C.

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