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MORE ON MIS

The first operational week with the Admitting/Discharge function on MIS has been completed..."not without a fair amount of trauma but certainly with tremendous cooperation from all" reports Clint Cooper, MMC Administrator for MIS. Some of the problems were expected due to the complexity of the Admitting/Discharge operation, however, the mechanical problems, experienced when the R8 computer room air conditioners lost their battle with outside temperatures which reached 104°, were totally unexpected. Many MMC people and the Technicon representatives spent most of their weekend working 'round-the-clock. Perhaps you noticed the floral arrangement at the Admitting desk this past week, it was a thank-you gift from the Technicon crew to the Admitting staff for their help, patience and understanding.

THE GOAL: \$25,000

Mrs. Elsie J. Mead, MMC director of Volunteers and the hospital's 1975 chairman for the United Way campaign, announced to department heads last week that the medical center's United Way goal has been set at \$25,000, an increase of nearly \$3,500 over the amount collected during last year's campaign. Mrs. Mead urged that "we all work together to get this difficult task completed as quickly as possible and through our continued generous support of United Way demonstrate to the community this hospital's concern for all of its citizens."

THANKS TO MAINE CITIZENS

When Red Cross blood donation figures were tallied for the month of July, a special thank you went out to the people of Maine for their significant gift of 3,766 units of blood. Cleo R. Beauchamp, chairman, Northeast Regional Red Cross Blood Program, expressed his sincere congratulations and thanks to all who were responsible for this fine achievement.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS '76

So you can beat the rush and make early reservations for a Washington Birthday ski weekend, here's the schedule of 1976 holidays at MMC:

New Year's Day Washington's Birthday	Jan. 1, 1976 Feb. 16, 1976	Thursday Monday
Patriot's Day	Apr. 19, 1976	Monday
Memorial Day	May 31, 1976	Monday
Independence Day	July 5, 1976	Monday
Labor Day	Sept. 6, 1976	Monday
Veterans' Day	Nov. 11, 1976	Thursday
Thanksgiving Day	Nov. 25, 1976	Thursday
Christmas Day	Dec. 24, 1976	Friday

ADDRESS CHANGES

Returns from the recent mailing of the MMC BULLETIN to employees indicate that many hospital people have changed addresses but have neglected to notify the Personnel office. An accurate employee mailing list is helpful to us all for a number of purposes. Please help keep it up-to-date by filling out a green change-of-address notice when you move. These forms are available from your department head or at the Personnel office.

POTPOURRI

Doris Legere, R.N., recently completed a 6-week stoma therapy course at Boston University qualifying her as an enterostomal therapist. Ms. Legere, a staff nurse on R3, now works part-time with Nurse Specialist Grace Moulton, R.N., A.T., in the care of stoma patients....Bob Miller, technical director of the Division of Pulmonary Medicine, received congratulations from fellow workers at a department coffee recently in recognition of his having completed 20 years employment with MMC....Director of Nursing Agnes E. Flaherty, R.N. completed the MIS training course Friday and became the first to receive an official MIS user identification code. The confidential ID code identifies the user to MIS and permits access to the computer information.

NOTICE: Employees Activity Committee meeting, Wed., Aug. 13, 3 p.m., Cafeteria Room C.