



# WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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## SYMPOSIUM-CORPORATORS

The annual Fall meeting of the MMC Corporators Thursday was largely devoted to Community Medicine, Family Practice and to the compound problems of health care delivery. Highlights of the all-afternoon program included the reports of J. Michael Taylor, M.D., chief of Community Medicine; and Robert M. True, M.D., chief of Family Practice; and the address of Miss Margaret E. Mahoney, vice president of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Miss Mahoney's message for all hospitals was to assess accurately how well they're doing their job, how well they are using their money, and how much larger their obligations can become. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation assists with the funding of both the Community Medicine and Family Practice departments.

The MMC Corporators, Trustees and guests were welcomed by Board President Hugh C. Saunders, Executive Director Philip K. Reiman and Medical Director Douglass W. Walker, M.D.

## SAFETY AWARDS

Some 26 MMC employees, graduates of a special course in accident prevention, were presented certificates Friday by Don Davy, safety engineer from Continental Insurance Co., Philip K. Reiman, MMC executive director, and Donald W. Bail, administrative engineer. The recipients represented a cross-section of all hospital departments, and were guests at a specially arranged coffee. Administrative Director Edward J. McGeachey welcomed the group.

## HO-HO-TIME APPROACHING

Bill Gousse, chairman of the 1974 MMC Christmas Party, reports that everything's on schedule for the big event Dec. 10, and that invitations should be going out this week. With more people and no more time, something had to give this year, and committee people decided to eliminate the usual skit, which they hope will ease some of the rushing that was necessary before. There'll be the fine Christmas dinner, music by the MMC Chorus, gifts from Santa Claus, and, hopefully, enough time to enjoy it all.

## FOR LONG SERVICE

More than 90 MMC employees were honored at a coffee Thursday and presented pins denoting five-year increments of hospital service. Special honors went to Mary Hatch and Margaret O'Leary of Pathology for 40 and 25 years respectively, and to Rowena Nelson of Physical Therapy for 25 years. A 20-year employee, Muriel McDonough of Nursing, couldn't be present for the occasion. She was having surgery at the time, but will receive her award from Miss Agnes Flaherty, Director of Nursing, at a later date.

## FORMALLY OPENED

Hospital leaders and special guests gathered at the Family Practice Unit on Munjoy Hill Tuesday to cut the ribbon and formally open the new facility. Now headquarters of the Family Practice department, the unit will serve residents of the eastern peninsula and Casco Bay islands, and also provide training opportunity for a continuing series of Family Practice residents. A total of 11 are now enrolled in the program, directed by Drs. Robert M. True and Robert E. Caven. The unit was welcomed with enthusiasm by Mayor William Toubh, and by residents of the area, and at week's end was seeing more than 30 patients daily.

## NEONATOLOGY SEMINAR

George W. Hallett, M.D., chief of Pediatrics; and John C. Serrage, M.D., neonatologist, will welcome physicians from throughout New England at a seminar on Neonatology here Dec. 5. The program, sponsored by MMC, the Maine State Department of Health and Welfare and the Maine Comprehensive Health Planning Agency, will feature presentations by four nationally-known experts in Pediatrics-Neonatology.

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