



# WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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## DR. ELKINS NAMED

Alan M. Elkins, M.D., chief of Psychiatry and Director of MMC's Community Mental Health Center, was named this week as a member of the prestigious National Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Health and Welfare. The appointment was announced late Thursday by Rep. Peter N. Kyros, who called Elkins "one of the most dynamic and promising young men on the health scene in Maine today." In an interview with Press Herald Staffer Mike Scanlin, Dr. Elkins said he felt the appointment reflected MMC's reputation rather than his own.

The interview story amounted to a declaration of purpose by the new committee member. "In the richest, most sophisticated country in the world," Dr. Elkins said, "the people are not getting all the health services to which they are entitled. x x x I really see my role as seeing that people get their medical due."

Dr. Elkins succeeds Dr. Leonard Cronkhite, director of Children's Hospital, Boston, on the national H & W committee.

## 18TH ANNUAL MEETING

Members of the Medical Services Federal Credit Union will hold their annual meeting at the Sheraton-Eastland ballroom Saturday, Jan. 26, with a social hour, buffet dinner, business meeting and dance. Dinner tickets at \$4.50 per person are available at the Credit Union office or at the Cashier's office opposite the Coffee Shop. Officials of the organization also have tickets for sale. There'll be a cash bar and many exciting door prizes, including portable TV's.

## R8 ROOM DEDICATED

Fellow workers from the George C. Shaw Co., and members of the family of T. Jefferson Foster joined with hospital officials for the informal dedication of an examining room on R8 Wednesday. The room and its equipment is the gift of the George C. Shaw Co., for whom the late Mr. Foster worked more than 50 years. He was vice president and general manager of the Portland grocery firm at the time of his retirement. MMC Trustees H. Halsey Davis and George M. Lord, respectively chairman and president of the firm, were present for the occasion as was Mrs. Foster and members of her family. The gathering included an explanation of the room's electrocardiographic equipment and other facilities by Dr. Harold L. Osher, director of the Cardiology Division.

## ON TO THE ICE FOLLIES

The Employees Activity Committee's annual Ice Follies bus trip to Boston is scheduled for Monday of the next long holiday weekend, Feb. 18. The bus will leave the Bramhall entrance at 8:30 a.m. allowing plenty of time for the non-stop trip and lunch in Boston before the start of the 2 p.m. matinee. Tickets are \$12 per person and cover bus ride to Boston and return and excellent reserved seat for the show. Bob Anderson, 2201, and Louise Gibson, 2106, are handling reservations on a prepaid basis.

## 27 YEARS' SERVICE

Central Services Department manager Stewart Kelley, executive director Philip K. Reiman and other hospital leaders honored Mrs. Yvonne Conley Friday for her 27 years of service in CSD. A plaque was presented in recognition of her long career.

## NEW SERIES BEGINS

The physical fitness program, sponsored by the Employees Activity Committee and under the direction of Gary Hunt, RPT, chief physical therapist, begins a new six-session course this week. New members--male and female--are invited to join at the beginning of each six-week program. The group meets Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. in the Rolland Irish Classrooms or on Thursdays, 5 p.m., in the Physical Therapy department. Roxy Hassell, Security, (2124) is handling reservations.

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