



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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DR. SAGER ELECTED

George F. Sager, M.D., assistant director, Department of Surgery, was elected president of the Maine Medical Center Medical Staff at the annual meeting Thursday. He succeeds Robinson L. Bidwell, M.D. The new staff vice president is Laban Leiter, M.D., and H. Randall Deming, M.D., was named secretary-treasurer.

Named to the executive committee of the Medical Staff were Paul Minton, M.D., three years; Ferris S. Ray, M.D., two years; and Alan Elkins, M.D., one year.

TUFTS STUDENTS HERE

A class of 16 third-year students from Tufts University School of Medicine arrived at MMC last week to begin an academic year of clinical training. The students are members of the fourth group to spend their third medical school year at MMC. The program is one phase of a federally-supported project under which MMC serves as an Area Health Education Center in cooperation with the University of Maine and TUSM. Students will be assigned to major clinical departments on a rotating schedule until June 1.

11 NEW GRADUATES

Members of the Fall, 1973, class of the MMC School of Operating Room Technology received diplomas Friday in ceremonies attended by a roomful of friends and relatives. Richard C. Britton, M.D., chief of Surgery, welcomed the guests and presented the diplomas, assisted by Miriam Kaatz, R.N., director of the ORT program. Edward J. McGeachey, MMC administrative director, Catherine T. Blanchard, R.N., O.R. Supervisor, and the Rev. Karl S. Andersen, senior chaplain, participated in the ceremony. The class response was by Carol A. Chenard, who recognized and expressed the appreciation of the class for the interest and assistance provided by Mrs. Jessie Thompson, R.N., Assistant O.R. Supervisor.

The Fall graduates: Cynthia J. Bertrand, Robert P. Brouillard, Jan E. Buckley, Carol A. Chenard, Susan A. Dingwell, Donna J. Gagne, Ava J. Lourie, Kathleen E. Maietta, Susan A. Robinson, Richard P. Wallace and Susan G. Wallingford.

ABOUT COLUMBUS DAY

October holidays are confusing, but one thing's clear: Columbus Day, Monday, October 8, WILL NOT be a holiday at Maine Medical Center.

For the first time, however, the 8th of October will be observed nationally as Columbus Day. It is not included in MMC's list of nine paid holidays, and this year, at least, it will be a normal working day at the hospital.

The Veterans' Day holiday will be observed Monday, October 22, but next year, by act of the Maine Legislature, it will return to its November 11 traditional date. Who knows what'll happen the year after that?

UF DRIVE WELL STARTED

Under the leadership of Arthur Stevenson, the hospital's "Pace-setter" United Fund campaign is well under way, with all solicitations due for completion and reports in before the close of September. Last year, MMC people pledged more than \$17,000, and it is hoped that they will be generous again in response to increased needs.

THROUGH THE WALL

Workmen broke through the basement wall of the General Building near the storeroom Friday to start work on what will be a corridor leading into the new diagnostic-radiation therapy building. It's the first of several connective passageways between the oldest structure of the MMC complex and its newest.