



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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REHEARSALS BEGIN

Miss Catherine O'Connor, director of the MMC Chorus, will miss it, but members of the group will meet Tuesday at 5 p.m. for an hour and a half in the first rehearsal of the season. Not only the nucleus from last year will be there, but it's hoped that many new members will attend. Choristers are recruiting these days, inviting not only MMC employees but family members to join them. There are no auditions, no special talents required...just a group getting together to sing and produce something that others will enjoy. Mrs. Phyllis M. Cobb, Portland organist and choir director, will conduct the first rehearsal, and Miss O'Connor will be on deck the following week. The singers are putting together a program for the Employees' Christmas Party in December and for other events of the Winter season.

THE RAMP IS OPEN

Well...part of it, at least. Last Thursday morning, more than 80 cars used the top levels of the new structure for the first time, and by afternoon, the ramp census had risen to well over 100, easing the other lots and nearby streets to that extent. It is hoped that employees will use the ramp, leaving spaces available for patients and visitors in the other parking areas. Only entrance and exit is from the Richards Lot, with a daily charge for employees of 10 cents. When the elevators have been installed, the Gilman and Congress Street entrances will be opened, and the ramp will be in full operation.

HERE FROM TUFTS

A total of 15 third-year students from Tufts University Medical School began their academic year here Wednesday with a full-scale orientation program. The class includes Denise Angers, Biddeford; Robert Blute, Shrewsbury, Mass.; Andrew Brem, Worcester, Mass.; Charles Cahill, Bridgman, Mich.; Ralph Caruana, Auburn, N.Y., Michael Collins, Stamford, Conn.; Mark Gilbert, Topeka, Kas.; D. Merrill Hersey, Presque Isle; Ilona Higgins, Bridgport, Conn.; Benjamin Honigman, Youngstown, Ohio; Edward Hutner, Teaneck, N.J.; M. Sheila Martin, Westerly, R.I.; Walter Poprycz, Laurel Springs, N.J.; Richard Seigel, Miami Beach, Fla.; and Michael Sisson, Greenfield, Mass.

ASSUMES DUTIES

Henry W. Ingraham of Bridgton, a retired Air Force medical supply officer, former administrator of the Northern Cumberland Memorial Hospital and purchasing agent of Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston, assumed his new post as Director of Purchasing Services at MMC last week. He succeeds Homer F. McDavitt, who retired recently after 36 years as MMC Purchasing Agent. The Stores department has been brought under Ingraham's direction in a move to consolidate the hospital's supply function.

U OF M STUDENTS GREETED

More than 80 University of Maine nursing majors--including three men--attended a full afternoon orientation program at MMC Friday as they began their junior year. The student nurses will receive clinical training on the MMC units for the academic year. An afternoon program included the welcoming remarks of Miss Agnes E. Flaherty, R.N., director of nursing; Miss Pauline M. Fahey, R.N., assistant director of nursing for clinical services; and Eugene B. Loubier, administrative director for Special Projects.

RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

Eight new Operating Room Technicians received diplomas Friday after completion of their year-long course of instruction and clinical experience in the program directed by Miss Miriam Kaatz, R.N. The graduates are Miss Paulette E. Baker, Miss Dana E. Roffler and John S. O'Brien, Portland; Miss Elaine Enochs, Lincoln; David J. Hale, Scarborough; Miss Kristi Kinkelman, Lincoln Center; Miss Deanna L. Libby, Freeport, and Benjamin T. Littlefield, Farmington.