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COMPUTER BUGS

The parking operation continued to become smoother, last week, with more and more parkers using the ramp, but another bug appeared. This time it was the computer that subtracts the parking payroll deduction from paychecks. Everything went fine for some, but many MMC employees' deductions were not made, and do not show on last week's check. It'll be evened up next week, and the deductions will be back on schedule.

DIABETIC DETECTION

Mrs. Georgette Carpenter, R.N., MMC nurse clinician, said Friday that 190 people were tested at the Bramhall entrance booth during Diabetic Detection Week, Nov. 12-18. Of these, 11 tests were positive, and the patients were referred to their physicians. The total was more than ten times the number tested in a similar effort a year ago.

FOR AN EMPLOYEES' LOUNGE

A former patient and long-time friend of MMC presented a \$2,000 check to the hospital last week that will provide an employees' lounge in the new cardiovascular diagnostic facility on Richards 8. James F. Wilson, now retired, but for many years Bell Captain at the old Falmouth Hotel, has had seven MMC stays for cardiac problems and at least six surgical procedures here. He said MMC "is like home to me, and there's nothing better I can do than show my appreciation."

UNITED FUND COMPLETED

Unit Manager Coordinator Bob Erickson said Friday that he had received the final pledges, and that MMC employees gave a total of \$17,000.20 in the 1972 United Fund campaign. This compares to a total of \$15,469 last year. Again, Bob expressed his thanks and the gratitude of the community to all who helped.

AN EVENING FOR NURSING

All personnel in the Department of Nursing are invited to participate in the Fifth Evening for Nursing at MMC Tuesday, Nov. 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Irish Classrooms. Portland Attorney John Mitchell will speak on "The Legal Aspects of Nursing."

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

The following have been named to the Medical Staff by action of the MMC Board of Trustees: Thomas R. Cannon, D.D.S., Portland, to the Associate Medical Staff; Kenneth G. Kraemer, M.D., Portland, to the Consulting Medical Staff; Louis J. P. Calisti, D.D.S., Gorham, president of the University of Maine Portland-Gorham, and Brian C. Hodgkins, Ph.D., Cumberland Center, to the Scientific Advisory Staff.

THANKSGIVING GUESTS

There were family Thanksgiving dinners for many MMC patients Thursday when the Dietary department served a total of 76 guest trays. It's a long-standing MMC tradition to make the holidays as pleasant as possible for inpatients by encouraging visitors on special holidays.

EMERGENCY GENERATOR

Administrative Engineer Donald W. Bail announced Friday that the entire MMC complex will be served by the emergency generator for an hour beginning at 10:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 28, while electrical work relating to the construction projects is done.