



# WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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## SUMMER SCIENTISTS

Three Portland-area college students, Richard Cohen, Peter Morse and David Perry, are working this summer as research fellows in the MMC Research Department. Their summer fellowships were awarded by the Maine Heart Association which has sponsored the work of young scientists at MMC for several years. The three join some 25 other college students working at MMC this summer in jobs related to their major studies.

## CHAPLAIN ASSIGNED

The Rev. Ernest L. L'Heureux, assistant pastor of St. John's Church, Winslow, has been assigned as Roman Catholic chaplain at Maine Medical Center, succeeding the Rev. Walter Dupuis, on temporary assignment here for the past six months. Father Dupuis has been assigned to Holy Family Parish, Lewiston. Father L'Heureux is a native of Sanford and was ordained in 1962. He served as assistant pastor at Portland, East Mill Rocket and Waterville before his assignment to the Winslow parish where he has been for the past five years.

## INTO THE 2ND CENTURY

A three-year face-lifting project has begun on the 102-year-old General Building, with workmen cleaning, sealing and re-grouting the brick and stonework. The job has been started on the rear of the structure, and reveals limestone lintels--some of them with carved scrollwork--over the windows. The result will be a brighter, newer and weather-proof walls for the old building as it starts its second century of use.

## COUNCIL APPROVES

Portland City Councilors approved plans to construct a turn-around at the upper end of Gilman Street and to close Arsenal Street this week, paving the way for the erection of the new building that will house the Radiation Therapy Institute, expanded X-Ray facilities and the new pathology laboratories. Ground is expected to be broken for this project in August.

## R8 WELL UNDER WAY

Well under way on the eighth floor of the Richards Wing are facilities for the new Cardiac Diagnostic center, now scheduled for opening in late Fall. The R8 center will consolidate present heart catheterization and electrocardiographic facilities with coronary arteriography equipment, allowing complete pre-operative workups of cardiac surgical patients. The MMC open-heart surgical team already has performed three coronary by-pass procedures with pre-operative work done in Boston. With the new R8 diagnostic center, patients will no longer be required to make costly and time-consuming trips to big-city medical centers for this work.

## SAFE PREDICTION

This publication has included several rosily optimistic dates for the opening of the new parking ramp and an end to MMC's chronic parking crisis. These predictions were made in all good faith and on the best authority, but they just didn't work out. So...and we think we're safe with this one...we'll say the ramp will be finished and working before Christmas...this year, that is. Workmen are installing the elevators, lights and signs identifying levels, and the back-filling is just about done. Still to be started is the glass-enclosed stairwell on the Congress Street side.

## AT THE PODIUM

Richard Evans, III, M.D., of the Community Mental Health Center staff, was a recent speaker at a drug abuse workshop sponsored by Union Mutual.

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