



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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PARKING FOR PATIENTS

Administrative Engineer Donald W. Bail announced Thursday, in a letter to department heads, that the small parking lot at the Admitting Lobby will be reserved as of Monday, January 3, for the cars of patients who are being admitted or discharged. Drivers will receive a ticket as they enter, and admitting personnel will attach a sticker to the ticket which will give the driver up to two hours' free parking. A small number of spaces will be available in this lot for visitors and others, but these drivers will be charged 25¢ hourly. Other parking lot operations are NOT affected by this change.

TELEMETRY SYSTEM

MMC received one of the nation's first licenses to operate a cardiac telemetry system recently, and the new instruments are in constant use, monitoring the heart action of up to eight convalescent cardiac patients. The license application, made by the hospital in anticipation of patient needs, was expedited in Washington by Rep. Peter N. Kyros, who saw the system in operation last week on R7.

OUT OF THE PAST

A copy of the March, 1951, GENERAL NEWSSENSE was found when workers removed the old information desk last week in the General Building. Among the names listed, for a variety of reasons, were Dorothy Clark, Eleanor Gee, Ruth Marcello, June Clark, Euphrasia Kilmartin, Drs. Fred Clark and Donald Marshall, Charles Hawkins and Dr. Franklin Ferguson, all present members of the MMC family or recent retirees.

FUNDS FOR RESEARCH

A contribution of \$2,500--the most recent of several from the same source--has been received by the MMC Research Department from the Phineas W. Sprague Memorial Foundation in Boston. The money will be used in support of the department's continuing research projects. The gift was acknowledged by Peter W. Rand, M.D., director of the department.

OLD DEPARTMENT, NEW NAME

What used to be called the Engineering Department becomes the Department of Physical Plant today. Also changed are some titles: Administrative Engineer for Donald W. Bail, and Engineering Supervisor for Renald Dubois. Mrs. Janet Provencher is secretary.

WHOSE MONEY?

Mail at MMC usually is handled quickly and efficiently, either by the Volunteers, who sort and deliver cards and letters to patients, or by the mailroom people, who handle everything else. But occasionally something goes adrift... like the hospital envelope delivered--by default--to Bob Pratt in the business office this week. There was no address...only the MMC return information. Where the address should have been were the words: "Please mail...money enclosed... thanks."

Bob says the money is still enclosed, and may be claimed at his office.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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