

# WHAT'S

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# HAPPENING

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**LIBRARY DEDICATED** - Dr. Edward C. Andrews, Jr., left, MMC President; Dr. Joseph F. Stocks, chief of Pathology; and Mrs. Arnold Briggs of Portland, a niece of the late Abraham S. and Fannie B. Levey, unveiled a plaque at Maine Medical Center this week identifying the Levey Memorial Pathology Library. The new facility will be used by Medical Technology students, physicians and others associated with the hospital's Pathology department. (MMC A/V Photo)

## PATHOLOGY LIBRARY IS DEDICATED IN LOCAL PHILANTHROPISTS' MEMORY

The library of the Maine Medical Center's Department of Pathology was dedicated Oct. 5 to the memory of Abraham S. and Fannie B. Levey, whose active participation and financial bequests have helped many Portland-area social, educational and health organizations.

Hospital and civic leaders attended the brief ceremony in the New Diagnostic Facility Tuesday afternoon. A highlight was the unveiling of a plaque designating the facility as the Abraham S. and Fannie B. Levey Memorial Library.

Mr. Levey died March 10, 1976. Mrs. Levey, the former Fannie B. Mack, died in 1974. They were active in Jewish religious, social and welfare organizations, and also in a long list of civic, educational, and health groups and projects cutting across religious and ethnic lines. Eminently successful in business, Mr. Levey was one of the Portland area's best-known philanthropists, known to many as "Mr. Charity."

Dr. Edward C. Andrews, Jr., president of MMC, Dr. Joseph F. Stocks,

Chief of Pathology, and Mrs. Arnold Briggs of Portland, a relative of Mr. Levey, and wife of Arnold Briggs, a Trustee of the Levey Foundation, removed a cloth covering the plaque.

Previous bequests from the Levey Foundation have included a gift to the Centennial Building Fund, the MMC Annual Fund and the Electrocardiography section of the Cardiac Diagnostic Facility.

## SWINE FLU 200 MMC EMPLOYEES IN HIGH RISK GROUP

A Swine Flu immunization program at Maine Medical Center will generally parallel the vaccination schedule for high-risk residents of Greater Portland, MMC authorities said this week.

It will involve about 200 MMC employees who have been identified as members of the high-risk group ... over 65 years of age, and/or affected by pulmonary disease, diabetes or other debilitating condition.

These individuals will be offered the bi-valent vaccine against the A-Victoria flu strain as well as the so-called Swine influenza virus.

High-risk employees will be vaccinated on a schedule to be announced in the Employee Health office near the Emergency Division. The schedule will depend on the delivery of the flu vaccine, now being distributed state-wide by the Department of Human Services in Augusta.

Bi-valent vaccine will also be offered to high-risk patients of the various MMC clinics after evaluation by their physicians.

Mono-valent vaccine, protection against Swine Flu only, probably will be offered to MMC employees later in the fall, in conjunction with the national immunization program.

## Defensive Drivers

Fifteen people completed the National Safety Council Defensive Driving Course sponsored by the MMC Safety Committee during the month of September. Six other participants are eligible for certification following make-up of sessions they missed.

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Again this Fall, MMC people will be asked to make their annual pledge in support of agencies that help people of 16 Greater Portland communities.

Baer Connard, administrative assistant in the Pathology department, has accepted the chairmanship of the 1976 campaign.

He and other MMC employees who are serving on the committee urge you to join them, and through your pledges, to guarantee another successful United Way campaign at MMC.



**United Way**

## FOUR LICENSED BOILER OPERATORS HAVE HIGH PRESSURE JOBS AT MMC

Of the 340 different job classifications at Maine Medical Center, perhaps the one we know the least about is the high pressure boiler operator. Very few of us, chances are, realize that it's this man's responsibility to maintain constant surveillance of the high pressure boilers which generate the steam needed to provide heating in winter, cooling in summer and sterilization for the entire MMC complex. All this requires 111 million pounds of steam annually.

To meet this huge workload, one of the hospital's three boilers runs 24-hours-a-day, year-round, leaving the other two for emergency back-up.

MMC employs four high pressure boiler operators -- Dick Rice, Lead Operator, Bill Dyer, Joe Palermo and Bob McAndrews -- who are licensed by the State of Maine. They keep a continuous check on boiler performance and maintain an hourly log book covering 20 different pressure and temperature readings.

"The boiler can be compared to a giant pressure cooker," explains Ted Hollidge, senior engineer. "The operator must keep a near-perfect balance of oil, air and water to run the boiler safely and efficiently. He keeps a careful eye on the many safety gauges, checking regularly

on oil temperature and pressure, steam pressure and the quality of the boiler's flame."

During an average winter month, 3,000 gallons of oil are burned daily in this boiler to supply hot water and steam to the laundry, to furnish steam for Central Services' huge autoclaves and to provide heat and hot water for the entire hospital. Generating the steam to fill these needs, also generates an annual oil bill of \$240,000.

## MARKETPLACE

**EFFICIENCY APARTMENT TO LET,** immediately, on Pine Street, Western Prom. \$115. month, includes heat. Page Dr. Luck at MMC.

**FOR RENT:** Anderson St. apartment. Clean, 5 rooms, stove and refrigerator included. 1 child, no pets. \$27.00 weekly. 772-8159 after 12 noon.

**WANTED:** Space in a garage for a motorcycle for the winter. Call 772-9750. After 4:30.

**FOR SALE:** 1972 Ford LTD. One owner, 39,000 original miles. \$1800. Call 772-9749 after 5.

## Christmas Savings Close to \$47,000

During 1975, 280 members of the Medical Services Federal Credit Union took advantage of a new savings opportunity and deposited \$46,450.50 in Christmas savings. The new member service became available following changes in the Federal laws governing CU activities late in the summer of 1975.

A flyer accompanying CU quarterly statements mailed to members last week announced that November 1 is the deadline for enrolling in the Credit Union's Christmas savings plan. Funds deposited in share accounts and earmarked for Christmas, 1977, will earn interest at the same rate as a regular savings account. Interest is currently being paid at 5¾% quarterly.

New CU members may enroll by opening a share account with a portion set aside for the Christmas savings plan. "Payroll deductions for the Christmas plan initiated in 1975," said CU Manager Edward DeLorme, "will continue this year unless the member notified the CU office."

Enrollment cards are available at the Personnel office, Credit Union office, or from Directors.

The CU office at 233 Western Promenade, upstairs over the hospital's Print Shop, can supply further information. The telephone numbers are 2449 and 2511.

### FROM A GRATEFUL FAMILY ...

The family of Margaret Papasadora of Rumford wishes to thank the entire staff of MMC for the wonderful care given Margaret during her recent confinement here. (She was a patient from July 12 to Sept. 2.)

We especially want to commend all the doctors who had anything to do with her care, the personnel of the Special Care Unit, and those on P2a.

We also want to thank all who were so kind to us.

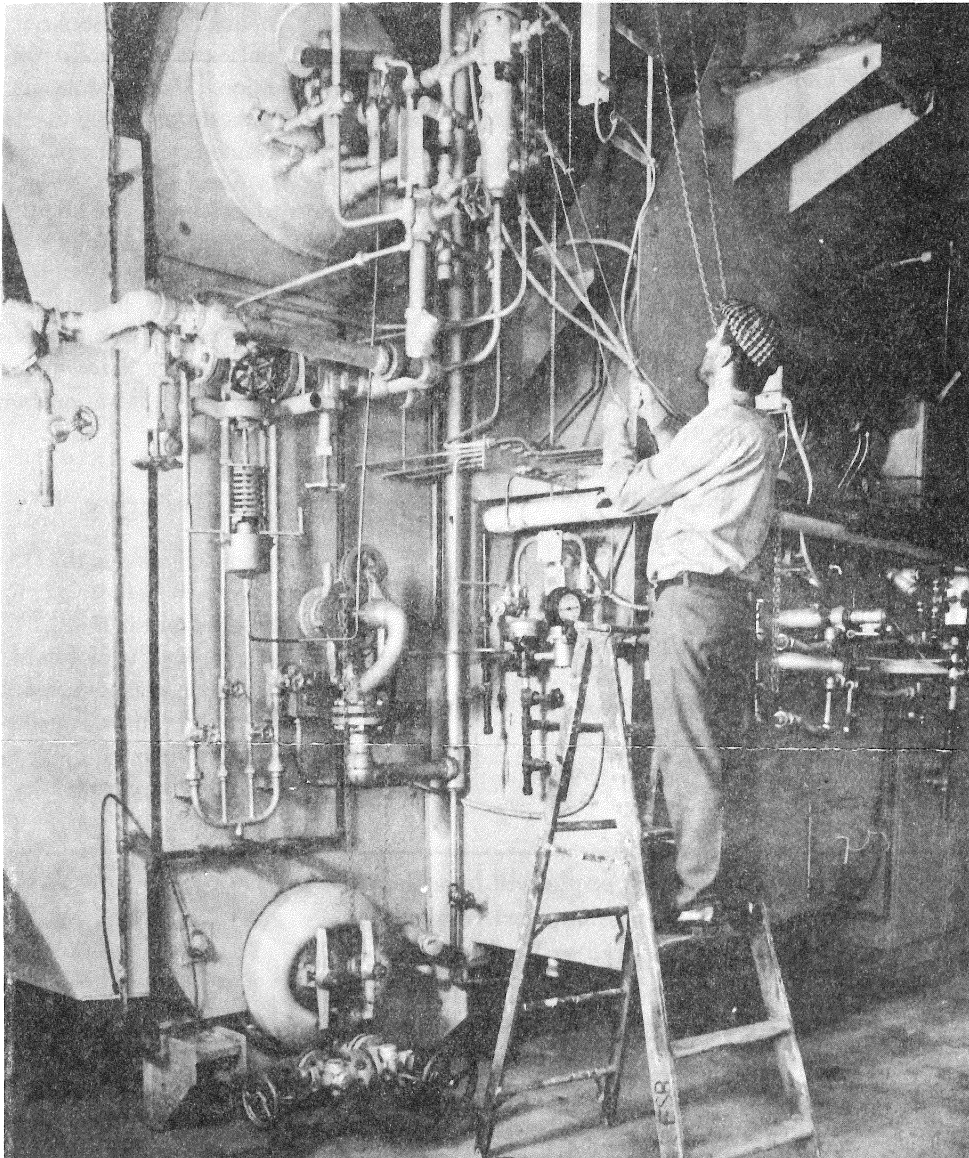
Sincerely,  
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Papasadora  
and daughters

### DRIVERS From page i.

Robert Poss of the Cape Elizabeth School Department was the instructor for the four-week course.

Certified were Barbara Beaudoin, Raymond Beaudoin, Robinson Bidwell, M.D., Doreen Cabana, Roger Cabana, Lucille Chouinard, Janice Durgin, Betty Edson, Jeanette Gagnon, Christine Joyce, Lynn Lagerstrom, Daniel Pillsbury, Sandra Richardson, Arthur Stevenson and Mary Travis.

If there is sufficient interest, the eight-hour course will be offered at MMC again. Employees, family and friends may enroll by calling the Hospital Engineering office at 2447.



**CHECKS WATER FLOW** - Operator Bill Dyer checks the flow of water into one of MMC's three high pressure boilers which provide steam for heating, cooling and sterilization throughout the hospital complex. (MMC A/V Photo)