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Welcome, New Deans!

Two new deans, Dr. John B. Truslow, school of medicine, and Dr. Harry Lyons, school of dentistry, joined our staff January 1, 1951. These able, well prepared and experienced administrators are heartily welcomed by all of us. To them we pledge our best in cooperation.

Dr. Truslow succeeds Dr. Harvey B. Haag who importuned the administration to be permitted to retire to his teaching, research and consultation work. There is no ample reward for his great work except our deeply felt thanks and our affectionate regards.

Dr. Lyons has succeeded the late lamented Dean Bear who gave so much for many years to the dental school and to the college as a whole. His memory is a real part of all of us.

Miss Louree Pottinger Arrives

By the time you come to this item, Miss Louree Pottinger is expected to have succeeded Miss Margaret Denniston as director of nursing service of the hospital division. Her fine training, experience and warm personality can be counted upon to direct with strength our large volume of nursing service. It is believed you will enjoy working with her.

For Miss Denniston who is leaving us, we extend our best wishes and many, many thanks for her extraordinary devotion and years of effective service with us.

General Tompkins Travels

General Tompkins visited Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, on December 20th to address the Army War College. From there he went to New Orleans, Louisiana, and to Texas to spend the Christmas holidays with his son and daughter-in-law and was presented with a new grandson, born on Christmas morning.

Briefs

The tunnel from Hunton Hall to the Richmond Eye Hospital has now been completed and the Hospital itself is under construction.

The City of Richmond has been thanked for the smooth paving which has been completed in the college area. This is both convenient and a contribution against noise.

Mr. Cardwell's report on the hospital division for the past fiscal year is in press and should be available reasonably soon.

Interns for 1951-52 for our hospitals and others will be notified of their appointments February 20.

The Board of Visitors of the college or its Executive Committee meets monthly except during August.

Their services are indispensable to general college welfare.

The presidents of the State-supported institutions of higher learning are organized as the Presidents' Council. So far all of their meetings have been held in the board room adjoining Dr. Sanger's office. Their next meeting will be held on February 1.

Dr. H. St. George Tucker read a paper at the second conference in Chicago in December on the use of ACTH.

The College committee on beautifying our area has an important responsibility. Note what is being done at the end of Clay Street and what has been planted around the Tomp-

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Service Awards

Awarding of service pins on the basis of length of total service within the institution, as completed within the calendar year, 1950:

1. Monday, December 18, 1950, College Social Center, Student Union Building, Christmas party for all MCV personnel.

30 years (Amethyst) — Mrs. Lillian Gilman, Head, Cashier's Office.

25 years (Sapphire) — Mrs. Margaret Reid, Switchboard Supervisor.

20 years (Ruby) — Miss Kathryn Heitshu, Director of Dietetics.

15 years (Pearl) — Mrs. Beulah Adams, Sewing Room Supervisor; Miss Sara Loftin, Switchboard Operator; Miss Sara A. Smith, Head Nurse, MCV.

10 years (Plain Gold) — Mrs. Ruth Parker, Food Supervisor; Mrs. Margaret Edwards, Floor Housekeeper; Miss Helen Bigger, Housemother; Mrs. Florence Dooley, Blood Bank Aide; Mrs. Ola Kerns, General Duty Nurse, MCV; Mrs. Virginia Bardin, Nurse Supervisor, Central Supply; Mr. L. O. Burgess, Elevator Service; Mr.

W. J. Belton, Police Guard; Mr. Russell Fiske, Chief Pharmacist.

2. Thursday, December 21, 1950, 405 North 11th Street, Christmas dance, colored nurses.

10 years (Plain Gold) — Miss Lillian Henry, Nurse Supervisor; Mrs. Anna B. Scott, Head Nurse; Mrs. Helen Blackwell, Head Nurse; Mrs. Blanche Ford, Head Nurse; Mrs. Estelle, Pleasants, General Duty Nurse; Mrs. Louise Blowe, Central Supply Head Nurse.

3. Friday, December 22, 1950, 405 North 11th Street, Christmas party for colored personnel.

25 years (Sapphire) — Mrs. Ora Johnson, Starch Room Checker.

20 years (Ruby) — Mr. Irven D. Cook, Food Supervisor, Hunton Hall; Mr. Robert Tillery, Chief Elevator Dispatcher.

15 years (Pearl) — Mr. Herman Coles, First Cook; Mr. Clarence Johnson, Porter, 11th Floor.

10 years (Plain Gold) — Mrs. Ethel Chavis, Maid, Cabaniss Hall; Miss Charlotte E. Brown, Maid, St. Philip Hall; Mr. Whittle B. Carson, Orderly, MCV Operating Room; Mr. Floyd Washington, Porter, Clinic.

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Housekeeping Department

Christmas was celebrated by a dinner at Gruenwald's followed by exchange of gifts in Mrs. McCabe's department.

Mrs. Mollie Jones, night housekeeper, won the jack pot prize at the annual personnel party.

Mrs. McCabe, director, spent Thanksgiving in Nassau and Bermuda.

Mrs. Mollie Jones spent the Christmas holidays with her daughter in Washington.

Mrs. Robert Brown, assistant director, spent a few days in Wilmington, Delaware, with her sister.

Mrs. Sadie Tuck, housekeeper, will fly to California for a two weeks' visit with her sister.

It is good to have Mrs. Gertrude Price, dormitory hostess, back after a brief illness.

Mrs. Belle Farley, director of housekeeping in the clinic building, spent New Year's in Philadelphia taking in the Mummers Parade.

Mrs. Mary Hutcheson, hostess at Putney House, spent the holidays with her daughter in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. Minnie Burton, hostess, Cabaniss Hall, is back on duty following a slight operation.

Make Licks Count

The home front is now a fundamental part of any war effort. In the present crisis each of us is called upon to make every "lick" count, at least that is one name for it.



We are likely to be short handed both as to materials and personnel. This will call for imagination, inventiveness, frugality, and strenuous effort. However, we can make a game, or something akin to it, of directing our licks with time, energy, and conservation of man power.

Our three-fold program of education, research, and care of the sick rates at the top in the war effort. Putting it another way, our show must go on and we do not have to wait for the build-up of emotionalism for the incentive needed. All we have to do is to look at our responsibilities squarely and decide how best to make the licks count. That goes for all of us, for the whole MCV family, regardless of position.

May I count upon each of you in a real personal sense?

W. T. SANGER
President

Conflicts In Scheduling

In addition to the present policy of requesting that all activities to be scheduled for our auditoriums and general meeting places be made with the dean's office, school of medicine, in so far as held during the day and with Mrs. Kratz of the college business office in so far as held at night, it is now requested and urged that clearance be made regardless of the time programs are scheduled to prevent conflicts in scheduling. To have more than one important program running at the same time develops confusion and reduces the size of the audience in each instance.

Medical Record Department

Miss Audrey Sharra, record librarian, spent the Christmas holidays in Brockville, Canada.

The committee for the Christmas party came through in gala style. Mrs. Aline McCloud, Mrs. Leah Magal, Miss Elsie Sinsheimer, and Mrs. Luella Chew, were on the refreshment committee. Mrs. Mildred Reed and Mrs. Marjorie Millett decorated the office and the tree. Members of the medical reports department were invited and also Mrs. Joyce Hawk, a former employee of the department.

Mrs. Eloise Souder spent the Christmas holidays in Roanoke, Virginia.

Mrs. Aline McCloud spent the holidays in Tennessee.

Plans for a double wedding are being made for two of our file clerks. Miss Nancy Holzback will become the bride of Herbert Farrar and Miss Louise Jones will become the bride of Lee Hartsoe. They will be married January 13, 1951. Congratulations to both!

Urgent Call!

Since July, 1950, the blood bank has spent twice as much for professional donors as was allotted in its budget. This was made necessary because more blood has been issued to both private and ward patients than has been deposited in the bank by volunteer donors.

During October more blood was issued to St. Philip Hospital than in any month in the history of the blood bank. This amount exceeded the blood received during that month for St. Philip Hospital by 118 pints. The Medical College Hospital had a deficit of 29 pints this same month.

This one month's record is a single citation of an ever recurring blood debit. It is obvious that no bank of any sort can be self-sustaining under such conditions. Won't you help to bring relief? We must not break the bank.

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Dietary Department

We tried to make the patient's trays attractive for Christmas by using Christmas napkins, doilies, favors, programs, folders, etc., on Christmas eve and Christmas day. We also used New Year napkins and doilies on New Year's day.

Many of the dietitians spent some time during the holidays with their families and friends. Mary Jane Allen went to North Carolina; Jean Brown to Savannah, Georgia; Jane Fowlkes to West Virginia; Virginia Beck to Ohio; Mary Kelly to Hampton and Williamsburg; Margaret Kilian to Fredericksburg and Virginia Love and Elizabeth Lounds to Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Rives spent some time with their families in Chatham and Norfolk.

Miss Maude Wood, assistant administrative dietitian in the main kitchen, and Mr. Warren Hagood, a medical student, were married on the 27th.

We are happy to welcome John Hundley, a cook in the main kitchen.

Buildings and Grounds

The division of buildings and grounds will have all of its employees attend a two hour educational course in maintenance during the month of January. These classes, given twice a year, are conducted by representatives of the various crafts employed.

Mr. Ellis Isbell of the mechanical department will attend a school during the coming month on sterilizer maintenance in Erie, Pennsylvania.

The division of buildings and grounds develops excellent personnel. Five recently have taken responsible jobs in other institutions or business firms. Mr. Lynwood Hilliard is now chief engineer of the new Home Beneficial Life Insurance Company on West Broad Street. Mr. William Jonas, our former foreman of the utility department, is the night chief engineer of this company. Mr. Thomas Moncrief is now a supervisor with the City of Richmond. Mr. Wallace Kemp, former assistant foreman of our painting department, has been promoted to night superintendent of admitting services in MCV and St. Philip hospitals. Mr. Vernie Glenn of our mechanical department has recently taken the position as super-

intendent of maintenance in the new Obici Memorial Hospital in Suffolk, Virginia.

We are indeed proud of these men and their promotions. We feel that the maintenance educational backgrounds obtained in the division of buildings and grounds helped them to obtain these high positions.

Personnel

We all miss Mrs. Stansbury who is ill. We hope she will be back with us soon.

Mrs. Betty Day is back to work after a week of viewing MCV from the inside.

Physical Medicine

Miss Peggy Pate spent the holidays in Florida. We know the main reason was not to get a Florida tan.

Miss Elinor Guza has joined the staff to do emergency polio work.

Miss Rebecca Holton is continuing on the staff with emergency polio work.

Miss Sara Jean visited her home in Greenwood, South Carolina, during Christmas vacation.

Mr. Russell Von Oesen visited in New Jersey for the Christmas holidays.

Credit Department Celebrates

There was quite a bit of Christmas spirit in evidence in the credit department during the Christmas season.

We had a small but very pretty Christmas tree, appropriately decorated including colored lights, and window decorations.

At our Christmas party, which was held late Friday afternoon preceding Christmas, refreshments were served and gifts were exchanged. Friendliness and the Christmas spirit prevailed.

Mrs. Betsy McElrath was vacationing at the home of her father in Decatur, Alabama, along with her son and husband for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Geraldine Crayden also was

away for a part of the holidays, taking a belated vacation.

Mr. Meharg also delayed a portion of his vacation until this time.

The spirit of the credit department was somewhat dampened immediately following Christmas because Mrs. Helvey Nielsen, one of our co-workers, received a message that her father passed away during the night following Christmas day. He died in his bed and was not found until the morning following Christmas. We express to Mrs. Nielsen our deepest sympathy in the loss of her father, Mr. William Peterson.

That Development Program

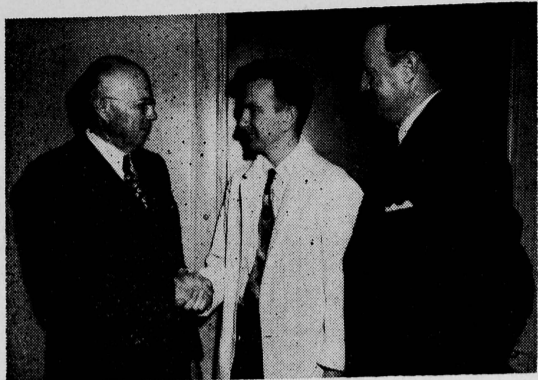
Our college ten or twenty-year development program will include two phases, functions and structures. The former has considerable relationship to the latter and will be discussed later. Meanwhile, elements of a ten-year building program follow. Each member of our organization is asked to review these and make suggestions for changes and additions. Send these either to your department head or direct to the President's office, please.

Complete the dental building; complete the new nurses' dormitory and teaching unit to full capacity of 210; modest gymnasium and adjoining recreation area; expansion of St. Philip Hospital to provide for services in medicine, psychiatry, and pediatrics, leaving to the present St. Philip Hospital the surgical and obstetrical services.

Make Dooley Hospital, remodeled, available for the student health service and infirmary; laboratory for research with patients, including beds for patients, on the west side of 12th Street between Broad and Marshall, to be connected with MCV Hospital by bridge across the street; housing for single and married students, with some apartments for faculty members.

Laboratories for biochemistry, clinical pathology and bacteriology, possibly general pathology also, as near to the hospitals as practicable. This would make possible enlarging the outpatient clinic space, including research; tunnel under the sidewalk on the east line of Thirteenth Street from Marshall to the gymnasium, north of the building housing the division of

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Dr. W. T. Sanger (left), President, congratulates Dr. C. C. Clayton of our biochemistry department, who was awarded a \$2,000 grant for cancer research by the American Cancer Society. At the right is Mr. Ed Phillips of Richmond, President of the Virginia Division of the American Cancer Society.

Randolph-Minor Hall

Our new nurses' dormitory to be built at a cost of \$650,000 will be named for Miss Agnes Dillon Randolph and Miss Nannie Minor. The lives of these two nurses and their contribution to nurse education were so parallel that it seemed fitting to memorialize them in this way. A bronze plaque in the new dormitory will cite the accomplishments of these two remarkable women.

Need an Apartment?

Ye editor knows of one small, three rooms on Franklin Street; one five rooms on Chamberlayne.

Safety Capsule

Grab the handrail! Watch your step
Even tho' you do have lots of pep
A little caution we opine
Is better than a fractured spine.

Memorandum

Our deadline for news is the twenty-fifth of each month. Please send in all you can get for we need it. It's your paper you know and one person cannot make it or break it.

Do not carve on stone or wood
"She was honest" or "She was good."

Write in smoke in a passing breeze

Telling all that volume could
"She lived, she laughed, and . . .
she understood."

—Blanding.

Miss Kate

Mrs. Wortley F. Rudd, beloved wife of our late Dean of the School of Pharmacy, slept quietly away on March 13. To all of us who loved her she was always "Miss Kate". Although she never occupied a chair in the college, from her favorite rocker on her own front porch her kind and gentle influence radiated to all who knew her. To her good judgment even Dean Rudd bowed, believing her keen insight and understanding of human beings was far better than his own. We would not have wanted her to live on alone, the two were a complete one. Hers had been a gracious, well-lived life and she had richly earned her rest and her reward.

Please Omit Flowers

Many times you have seen this in the press, but did you know there was a nice way to remember loved ones without sending flowers?

Many friends of the college send a five or ten dollar contribution to the Cardiac Fund, the Pastore Fund, the Nathan Bloom Heart Fund, or to the Cancer Fund instead of sending funeral flowers. It is a splendid thing to do. In cases where you know the flower gifts will be overwhelming why not send your check for one of these funds? If you feel the flowers may be scarce then do send them as they make death a little easier to bear.

Another Mortgage!

Dr. Warren E. Weaver has moved into a new home. We'd rather have a mortgage than rent, too. After many, many years we finally own 'em. It is felt that a home owner stays put and that he likes his work in the college. Congratulations!

Boss to Secretary: "Must you mutter in shorthand?"

Did you know that all of the steel in MCV hospital was put up with only one small accident occurring? Don't be careless — Play safe!

It Did Happen Here

Even the least of us may be called upon to do something for a patient though we may not be one of those giving professional care. Recently an employee in Buildings and Grounds was asked to rush a piece of emergency equipment to a new patient. *The patient he found was his mother.*

Take time to work — it's the price of success
Take time to think — it's the source of power
Take time to play — it's the secret of perpetual youth
Take time to read — it's the foundation of wisdom
Take time to be friendly — it's the road to happiness
Take time to dream — it's hitching your wagon to a star
Take time to love and be loved — it's the privilege of the gods
Take time to look around — it's too short a day to be selfish
Take time to laugh — it's the music of the soul.

Old English Exhortations.

Square Dance Planned

Tucker Club, composed of young women from various churches will sponsor a Square Dance, 8:30 p. m., April 27, Saint Christopher's gymnasium. Get tickets at our Gift Shop and help the girls with this project.

Fight Cancer with Knowledge

This is the slogan for Cancer Control Month. Our Virginia Chapter and our Richmond Chapter of the American Cancer Society are doing a marvelous job. Danger signals are put out in leaflets for a wide distribution. Much is done for indigent terminal cases as well as for those who may benefit by effective treatments. Let's help in this good work in every way possible.

True happiness consists not in the multitude of friends but in the worth and choice. —Ben Jonson

Home is the place where you think of appropriate replies to those wise-cracks made at the office. —Wm. Franklin Gaines.