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Boston University
My seven-week "winter vacation" is now happily at an end. It was, of course, a salubrious experience, though I would not care to repeat it. I am tremendously grateful for the thoughtfulness of so many friends during my hospitalization at MGH and for the many ways in which I was remembered. I have certainly learned the lesson of secondary and tertiary gains of illness! I also learned that the elastic stockings which I had to wear during my hospitalization were developed a number of years ago at the MMH as the result of research. Dr. Wilkins, one of my visitors, was delighted to see that the Phillips House was using something that MMH had developed as a "first" to prevent formation of clots in the legs which might be carried to the lungs. It made me feel less like a stranger, knowing that some of the "home front" techniques were in use by "the competition."

The BUMC Executive Committee, appointed during my hospitalization, kept things going at an even keel. Under the chairmanship of Dean Gellis, with Dr. Wilkins as Vice Chairman, the Committee devoted many hours of already-overloaded time to the activities of the Center. Other members included Drs. Bakst, Bandler, and Bonnet; Dean Goldman; with Mrs. Carson serving as Executive Secretary.

The much-heralded residence hall, a drawing of which appears below, soon will be raising its lovely head skyward. The cafeteria and recreational facilities will be housed in and below the one-story appendage to the left. Later a second dormitory will be constructed, connected by the dining hall.
The MMH Information Desk is trying to do an efficient job for all of BUMC, but it cannot do so without the full cooperation of everyone. To that end all departments and division have been requested to advise the Information Desk of all regularly scheduled meetings and conferences - time and place of meeting, person in charge, etc. It will also be helpful to inform them of any one-time conferences or meetings involving non-BUMC persons.

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Attention, Students and House Officers: A competition for a $250 award for the best manuscript submitted by a medical student, intern, or resident on any subject pertinent to and concerning occupational health has been announced by the Central States Society of Industrial Medicine and Surgery. The contest closes at midnight on July 31, 1964. A second competition, open only to residents in occupational medicine, carries an award of an embossed scroll. Complete rules may be obtained from Industrial Medical Association, 55 East Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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Personal Notes: DR. PETER J. MOZDEN, Assistant Professor of Surgery, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society, Massachusetts Division....DR. JACOB SWARTZ, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, has been elected Treasurer of the Northern NE District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association, and Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Boston Psychoanalytic Society....MISS MARGARET MILLER joined the administrative staff of the Medical Center on March 30, as Secretary to the Director, replacing Elizabeth R. Carson, who is now Assistant to the Director.... DR. WILLIAM H. EGER, Assistant Professor of Child Psychiatry, is chairman of the Committee on Childhood & Adolescence of the Northern NE Branch of the American Psychiatric Association.

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