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Boston University
New Dean Named

Daniel Boxall Stone, M.D., currently executive associate dean and professor of internal medicine at the University of Iowa College of Medicine, has been appointed dean at Boston University School of Medicine. President Arland F. Christ-Janer, in making the announcement, said that Dr. Stone would assume his new duties January 1, 1970.

Dr. Stone is a native of Gravesend, Kent, England and received his B.S. and M.D. degrees at the University of London in 1948. Coming to the United States in 1957 as a National Institute of Health Trainee he has been associated with the Iowa College of Medicine ever since. He became a United States citizen in 1969.

The new dean has an outstanding record both as a scholar and educator. Between 1946 and 1948 he successively won first prize in medicine and surgery, ophthalmology, gynecology and midwifery. He also won the award for highest distinction in clinical studies. He was a Markle Scholar in Academic Medicine in 1960. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine, a member of the American Diabetes Association, American College of Physicians and the Endocrine Society. His publications, numbering over 70, have been on a wide variety of medical topics.

From the Alumni President’s Desk

As a new academic year begins, which incidentally marks my 47th year of association with the School of Medicine, there are some observations which I should like to share with all of you.

In our profession we have become accustomed to change. Of course, we still find many of the methods for treatment of the sick have not changed, only our ability to cope with some of the problems, aided by the tremendous gains in research and the sharing of experiences with others, have advanced. Although our School has kept pace in most respects, possibly the recent revisions of the curriculum have been the greatest steps forward that we have seen in recent times. It is obvious to me that students today arrive at medical school with a greater capacity to absorb the required learning and at a faster rate. This not only applies to students in the accelerated 6-year program but to those in the regular 4-year course as well. Perhaps because over 1800 applied for admission as 4-year students in the Class of 1973, the largest in our history with 94 enrolled, the ultimate selection gives us a class of better prepared students than may have been the case in your day or mine.

The major change in the curriculum concentrates most of the material formerly given in 3 years into the first 2, allowing the 3rd for clinical clerkships as has been offered in the final year. The academic year has been lengthened after the 2nd year by eliminating the customary summer vacation period during June, July and August.

Most of us attended classes in the same old buildings and although there is considerable sentimental attachment involved, at best they offered inadequate facilities and there is no question that their demolition and the erection of the ultra modern instructional and library building represent significant progress in that area. In fact, Boston University now ranks along with the very best in medical school facilities giving Alumni a physical plant to be proud of, plus a means of attracting new students who might heretofore have been influenced merely because of the more modern buildings at other schools.

As reported in the last issue of ALUMNI NEWS a search committee worked throughout the summer months recruiting and interviewing candidates for a new Dean. In the meantime a most fortunate choice was made by promoting Dr. Henry Bakst to that position which he will occupy until the successor to Dr. Ebaugh takes office. Also, Dr. Vincent Lanzoni, Class of 1960, was appointed to fill the position of Associate Dean. Dr. Bakst currently has a good team working with him in Dr. Lanzoni as the associate dean and Dr. Lester Dewis, Class of 1961, as the assistant dean.

In a recent letter to Alumni who had not been back to visit the School and from whom we had not heard for several years, I mentioned that the physical plant, the new Instructional Building including the three-floor Library, was the most modern and functional facility that money could buy. I invited them, as I now invite you, to make it a point to come back to the School and see it. I believe that you will be most favorably impressed just as I have been. Our Alumni Office staff is easy to find on the first floor of Building A and they are always available to show you through the building or introduce you to members of the faculty and administration who join me in extending a cordial welcome to you.

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'11 BYZANT J. MANOOGIAN is completely retired now.

'15 ANNA R. MANITOFF since retiring, has done some teaching in Public Health Seminars at UCLA and is on the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Community of the World Health Organization. She is also its editor of a Communique. She is on the Speakers Forum of the United Nations in L.A. and frequently lectures on the U.S. and several of its specialized agencies. Her overseas experience in Germany right after the war and duties in Japan for five years during the occupation qualify her to speak on these subjects from personal experience.

'25 NICHOLAS J. CAPECE has been a member of the Milford Board of Health for 30 years; says he is quitting "to allow a younger man to serve". He will continue as 6th Worcester District medical examiner. He is on the staff of Milford Hospital.

'26 NORMAN ELTON now in training for 3rd retirement, having retired from Binghamton General Hospital in November, 1968, but still does chores in pathology for several hospitals in the area. His wife, Wilma, and he recently returned from a months tour of the Berlins, Prague, Budapest, Leningrad and Moscow. "Definately looking forward to 45th Reunion in 1971."

'29 EDNA WALCK SEDGEWICK retired in 1965 after 33 years of practice in Dover, N.H. which started out as a general practice and ended in anesthesia, the last six years.

'30 The state of N.H. dedicated a therapy and training center at the Laconia State School named for FRANCIS J. C. DUBE in September. In honoring Dr. Dube, recognition was given to his many years of devoted service as trustee chairman of the school and interim superintendent.

'31 N. GILLMOR LONG is retiring and planning on becoming a medical physicist. He has belonged to Nuclear Medical Groups as a hobby for many years.

'32 EVA and JULES VANDOW now have a 17 month old granddaughter. Eva retired as executive director of Bronx Municipal Hospital in June, 1968 and is presently senior resident, department of psychiatry at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. She also holds the position of assistant professor, department of community health. Jules is a practicing dermatologist and is associate clinical professor, department of dermatology at New York University School of Medicine. He is also public health director in the New York City department of health. Son, Michael is assistant professor of English at New York State University.

'33 GUY B. ATONNA was presented with a plaque for "representing Cochise County for 25 years of continuous devoted service to the affairs of the Arizona Medical Association and Arizona Blue Shield. NORBERT F. LOUGH has joined the medical staff of the Plymouth County Hospital. He is a member of the Plymouth District Medical Society, the Massachusetts Medical Society and the American Medical Association. A. DANIEL RUBENSTEIN, former director of hospital facilities for the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, became a consultant to the North Adams Hospital on September 1.

'35 S. FRANKLIN HOROWITZ was elected chief of staff of General Hospital, Bay City, Mich. F. RANDOLPH PHILLBROOK has retired after 30 years of service in the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. He served as director for the department's division of public health research, development and professional training.

'36 NATHAN CORDON's son, Roy, professor of chemistry at Harvard University; son, Stewart, Fullbright grant in history in India. SYDNEY GRACE has resigned as chief of obstetrics/gynecology at the Cambridge Hospital and is devoting full time to private practice. ERNEST B. HOWARD was named executive vice president of the
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American Medical Association. GEORGE E. SULLIVAN is the director of anesthesiology, Elizabeth Ann Seton Hospital, Waterville, Me.

'37 JOHN F. SULLIVAN was elected national chairman of the advisory board of the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

'38 THEODORE A. POTTER was promoted to assistant clinical professor of orthopedic surgery at Harvard Medical School. SIDNEY CARTER was elected president of the American Academy of Neurology.

'39 NICHOLAS J. FIUMARA is president-elect of the State and Territorial Epidemiologists. A meeting was held in May in Atlanta, Ga. FREDRICK F. YONKMAN was married in September to Mrs. Edna C. Foote Lawlor. Mrs. Lawlor, widow of the late Dr. Edward F. Lawlor, has been with the Twinbrook Surgical Associates, Waltham.

'40 ALCID F. DU MAIS has joined the staff at Highlands General Hospital, Sebring, Fla. as house physician.

'41 HAROLD I. MILLER was promoted to associate clinical professor of surgery at BUSM.

'42 GEORGE DAVIDSON was elected a director of Wollaston Federal Savings and Loan Association in June. KONSTANTINE YANKOPOLUS was elected to director and chief of surgery at St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford. Son, Konstantine, began freshman year at BUSM in September.

'43-A GEORGE I. LYTHCOTT, a pediatrician, was appointed to a newly created post at Columbia University, N.Y. He will be an associate dean for Urban and community affairs. He has returned after six years in West Africa where he directed a U.S. assistance program to help African nations to eradicate smallpox and to control measles.

'43-B THEODORE T. AMBADGIS has joined the staff of the district court psychiatric clinic, New Bedford. ROBERT C. RAINIE is practicing internal medicine in Concord, N.H.; chief medical consultant for the N.H. department of vocational rehabilitation and social security disability program; coordinator for N.H. diabetes program; board of directors of the American Heart Association. Wife, Dora, is active in N.H. medical society auxiliary; son, Scott 20, sophomore at the University of Vermont, planning on medicine; daughters, Robin 18, freshman at Smith College, Jennifer 8.

'44 SAUL Malkiel is president-elect of the American Academy of Allergy.

'45 JAMES J. KENNEY's daughter, Susan Anne, married Dr. Robert G. Donovan of Sea Girt, N.J., now interning at University Hospital, in June. OTTO S. NAU married Mary Ann McHugh of Arlington in July.

'46 STEPHEN R. LO VERME's son, Stephen, Jr., entered BUSM in September as the third generation of LoVermes, son, Paul, entered BU-CLA in September as third generation of that school; son, William, presently a senior at St. Peter's Preparatory School; daughter, Mary Louise, freshman in high school. Private practice of plastic surgery; chief of surgery (plastic) at several hospitals in N.J. Clinical professor of plastic surgery, N.J. College of Medicine and presently in charge of five residents in plastic surgical training.

'47 DAVID C. KELLYSEY has been advanced to associate surgical director in the claim department of Aetna Life & Casualty, Hartford, Conn.

'49 MARVIN J. COLBERT is the director of health service and professor of medicine, University of Illinois Medical Center, Chicago. HAROLD S. FELDMAN was appointed to
the board of directors of the Boston University Club of New Jersey in May. Election of officers was held at the home of STEPHEN R. LO VERME.

'50 IRVING H. BERKOVITZ was appointed to the Committee on School and College of the Calif. Medical Association; elected secretary-treasurer of the southern Calif. Psychoanalytic Society. GEORGE H. MILLS is president of the Hawaii Medical Association.

'51 ADOLPH B. CLACHKO's son, Marc, is a third year student at BUSM. JORGE MAYORAL BIGAS and wife, Milda, have four children, Geory Anna 5½, Jorge 4½, Michael 3½ and Milmaire 7 months.

'52 ROBERT W. BAIN "enclosed is a check which I had promised for this year. On arrival back in Liberia after passing my boards in pathology, we found that the hospital was in a financial crisis and was $50,000 short of its budget. This left no money for starting a department of pathology and so we opened our lab on the front porch of our home with some Jiff peanutbutter jars and some alcohol and xylene that I borrowed from the government lab. We found a microtome at Ganta, the Methodist Mission Hospital up the road, that had been sent over some years ago from Columbia and an old razor strop and we have been turning out slides and trying to give service to our surgeons. I have been busy raising money so that we can open a room in the hospital next to the morgue and supply it with the few simple things needed to do dehydrate tissues, imbed them and stain sections. We are doing Pap stains and have done 350 surgicals and 80 autopsies since I returned. I hope you know that our hospital library is the best in Liberia. It was enriched by 50 volumes that were donated to us by the BU Library. We have just completed a house on the grounds for medical students, as Columbia sends us two students almost every eight weeks and we have had, and are going to have, more students from Harvard. It is too bad that BUSM can't find some fellows interested in Tropical Medicine, as we now have three board men on the staff and another coming back next year." ROBERT S. BIENER started a three year residency in psychiatry at the University of Calif. Irvine Campus and Orange County Medical Center in February. He will be doing research and some teaching during his residency. ALAN S. COHEN was nominated chairman of the American Rheumatism Association's Publication Committee for the influential journal "Arthritis and Rheumatism" at the Annual Meeting last June in Boston.

'53 CAMILLE R. BERUBE is the president of the medical staff at Glover Memorial Hospital, Needham. THEODORE J. MEDREK was appointed corporate director of Clinical Research for Becton, Dickinson and Company, Rutherford, N.J. He is a clinical instructor in surgery at the New York University Medical School and is assistant attending surgeon at University Hospital of N.Y.U. and Bellevue Hospital. PETER J. MOZDEN is the director for the first regional comprehensive cancer care and training program in New England. The announcement was made by the Tri-State Regional Medical Program in June.

'54 FREDERICK JACKSON is the director of research projects entitled "Vascular Complications of Head Injuries and Missile Wounds of the Brain from the Vietnam Conflict" and "A Study of the Effectiveness and Safety of Pneumatic Turbine Craniotomies Utilized for Osteoplastic Craniotomies for Missile Wounds of the Brain in Vietnam" which have been reviewed and approved by the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. He is the author of 65 publications dealing with neurosurgical subjects, particularly in the field of head injuries. JOHN T. KAEMMERLEN was promoted to associate professor of medicine at Albany Medical College in August. He is assistant chief of pulmonary disease at Albany Veterans Administration Hospital. FERRIS J. SIBER is the author of a "Lecture Series" article which appeared in the July 28 issue of Modern Medicine. He is a section head in the department of diagnostic radiology, Lahey Clinic Foundation, a radiologist at New England Baptist Hospital and assistant clinical professor of radiology at BUSM.
Inside Biafra Today

by Uchenna Nwosu (BUSM '68)

I entered Biafra on a relief plane from Gabon. The runway was lit for barely ninety seconds as our plane landed at Uli airfield. I disembarked and went through customs by moonlight, yet within that short time I could see that my homeland had changed since I left in 1961 to study in the United States. Life had been so relaxed then that the passage of time was often ignored. Now it took only twenty minutes for a Biafran crew to unload by hand the DC-3 that brought me to await the next plane. Uli airfield, Biafra's main link with the outside world, is brisk with silent operations which reflect the new mood and tempo of life throughout the country.

Minutes after, I was through with customs, and an Ilyshin jet bomber appeared over the airfield. This was one of several given to Nigeria by Russia, and flown by Egyptian pilots on loan by President Nasser of the UAR. The jet dropped bombs from an altitude so high that it did not constitute a serious menace to the food-ferrying planes, which continued to land. It is not a miracle that the airfield has never been seriously damaged. Anti-aircraft guns make it too hazardous for the Egyptian pilots to descend to low altitudes for accurate bombing. However, these same pilots have perfected the art of bombing undefended churches, schools, hospitals, open village markets and civilian homes. These targets are pounded daily.

It was already daybreak when I got to the hotel room which I was to share with a Japanese reporter and a reporter from the Voice of Germany, (accommodations are scarce). I was about to shave when I heard a warning shot signaling the approach of enemy planes. I saw people running for bunkers and followed suit. As bombs exploded nearby I was soaked in cold sweat, half expecting the next bomb to hit our bunker. I decided then and there that shaving was a luxury no one in Biafra had time for.

When the terror was over, I was invited along with news men to see a bombed market at Ozu Abam, forty miles from Umuahia. At Ozu Abam we found that the bulk of the village's women and children had been wiped out by three Soviet jet bombers that morning. I was able to count two hundred and twenty-three bodies, (all women and children), that had faces charred beyond recognition. I also counted ninety-five women and children who were severely wounded, some with shattered extremities. Others with shrapnel in their bellies, chests, spines and eyes were already in shock. Some could have been saved with plasma or other fluids if only they were available. I thought of our medical school lectures on disaster medicine which had sounded very unreal at the time and which suddenly became very relevant, but how could I help without plasma, intravenous fluids, tetanus toxoid and other precious medicine?

I found during my agonizing trip that there was no limit to human suffering in Biafra. There is no such thing as eating even one good meal a day. A cup of rice costs three dollars. Most consumer goods considered absolutely essential elsewhere, are simply non-existent. Life itself appeared cheap where a whole village could be wiped out in one day and where anybody could meet his death any time from the air raids and starvation, but the ordeals appeared to be uniting the people of Biafra closer together than ever before. They know that they can expect no mercy from the enemy and her British, Russian and Egyptian allies, who, having wiped out one generation with kwashiorkor, are attempting to annihilate the remainder with the most sophisticated tanks, mortars and bombs.

On the hopeful side, the pressure of a war of survival, coupled with the externally imposed embargo, has forced Biafra to use local materials and manpower with ingenuity. Cars, trucks, home-made buses and trains still operate. Dozens of portable oil refineries designed by Biafrans not only supply the fuel needed for military and civilian transportation, but also supply some of the fuel needed for food airlift operations. The Biafran Research and Production Directorate, constructs mines, rockets and grenades for the military and soap, matches, dyes and whiskey for the public. The food challenge is being answered by the intensive cultivation of undisturbed territories. My visit took place at the beginning of the planting sea-
Clifton B. Leech, M.D. '19, pauses during conversation with Arland F. Christ-Janer, University President, prior to Annual Meeting in May.

Charles D. Bonner, M.D. '44, retiring Association President, presents Alumni's 1969 Outstanding Award citation to Dr. Nathan L. Fineberg, '30 at Annual May Dinner.

Assistant Dean, Lester Lewis '61, talking with guest, Mike Fineberg '73 and Carl Rosow '73.

Drs. Pelikan, Pharmacology and Ullrick, Physiology, engage a group of Freshmen in conversation.

Ray Anthracite '71, president of SAMA, addressing Freshmen while Hank Eden '70, chairman of SCOMSA and Dr. Stearns '26 listen intently.

Jay Coffman '54, assistant secretary of Alumni Association, talking with Freshman, Steve Portman.
'55 John B. Little was promoted to associate professor of Radiobiology in the department of physiology at Harvard Medical School.

'56 Eugene A. De Felice was a program participant at the American Medical Association in New York in July. Harold G. Reiss is the director of the out-patient department of Worcester State Hospital and practicing psychoanalysis in Worcester. Lester F. Williams was elected to membership in the Society of University Surgeons and received the Outstanding Faculty Member Award given by the Begg Society of BUSM for excellence in the teaching of medicine.

'57 A. Scott Anderson is the medical director of the child guidance clinic of Lynn. He is also acting area director for the department of mental health in Lynn and in the private practice of psychiatry in Lynn and Newton. Edward W. Arman was appointed director of the Greater Lawrence Mental Health Center in September. Stanley Deutsch is the chairman of the department of anesthesiology at Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center and professor of anesthesiology at the University of Chicago School of Medicine. Theodore A. Tromovitch's comments on treatment of head and facial skin cancers were included in the "forum" section of the June 30 issue of Modern Medicine.

'58 Morton G. Feldman has resumed head and neck surgery practice in Bridgeport, Conn. after his release from active service with the Army Medical Corps. David R. Jackson presented a paper on a new vascular surgical procedure at the 11th Annual Meeting of the International College of Angiology held in Rome, Italy in July. Jean Powell has been raising four children. She plans to continue post graduate training in child psychiatry as soon as the children are of school age.

'59 H. Richard Nesson, who spoke to the Class of 1973 at the Alumni Reception for BUSM freshmen, is acting physician-in-chief at the Beth Israel Hospital, Boston. Peter R. Pilonne passed the American Board of Neurological Surgery Examination and is now a diplomate of the American Board of Neurological Society. Richard L. Simmons was appointed a Markle Scholar in academic medicine by the John and Mary R. Markle Foundation of New York. Frederick S. Pope has a full time practice of anesthesiology at the Framingham Union Hospital and has been a clinical instructor in anesthesiology at BUSM since 1965. Board certified in November, 1968. He and his wife, Carol, have two children, Lisa 6 and Jonathan 1.

'60 Mortimer J. Buckley was a speaker at the BUSM Freshmen Reception given by the Alumni Association in September. Mark H. Cooley is board certified in internal medicine; full time clinical practice both at the University Health Service (Harvard Medical School) and private practice, primarily hematology. Attending physician and hematology consultant at West Roxbury V.A. Hospital. Associate in medicine at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. Sidney E. Isaacs anesthesiologist at Reid Memorial Hospital, Richmond, Ind. Wife, Sally, children, Martha 12, Nancy 9, Carolyn 7, Andy 5 are all fine. Phoebe Krey is an instructor and staff member of the BUSM arthritis group and presented a scientific paper at the annual meeting of the Arthritis Foundation and the American Rheumatism Association held in June. The paper dealt with "Interaction of Mycoplasma with Fetal Synovium in Culture: Electron Microscopic Studies". Vincent Lanzoni has been appointed Associate Dean at BUSM. Walter L. McLean is presently a fellow in children's allergies at Children's Hospital, Boston. Robert I. Milstein is on the staff at Boston State Hospital which includes teaching positions at BU and Tufts Medical Schools. He resides in Belmont and has a private practice of psychiatry in Concord. Thomas E. Shea was married to Linda L. Emerson of Livermore Falls, Me. on September 14. Roger H. Sweet was promoted to assistant professor of preventive medicine at Harvard Medical School.

'61 Richard S. Dolins' daughter, Deborah Gayle born on March 28. Joseph E. Magaro is practicing ophthalmology in Bronxville and New York City. Richard C. Talamo was promoted to assistant professor of pediatrics at Harvard Medical School.
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'62 MERWYN BAGAN is finishing as chief resident in neurosurgery at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. He received a fellowship from the "Leopold Schepp Foundation" and will spend six months as a House Officer at the National Hospital, London. BERNARD DIAMANT completed a two-year radiology fellowship at New York Hospital, Cornell University Medical Center in June; now an instructor in medicine, cardiology department, New York Hospital. RALPH D. FEIGIN was promoted to assistant professor of pediatrics at Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Mo. FREDERICK M. GANECKI is a career officer with the U.S. Air Force doing obstetrics/gynecology at Clark Air Base in the Philippines. He travels from there to Hong Kong and Manila. ROBERT E. OLSON has opened private practice in internal medicine and cardiology in Plymouth. He and his wife have three children, and are expecting a fourth in December. M. JOYCE RUBISSOW completed pediatrics boards in the spring and will continue to work in the area of child development and neurology's private practice in the East Bay (Calif.). "Hello to all those of 1962". ROBERTA A. SAVITZ assisting in the development of a comprehensive community health program in Winston-Salem, N.C.

'63 Drs. BATTIN (Marcelle), BELLOWS (Jean), BLISS (Barbara), BOLTAX (Sandy), CASAT, ESTES (Cynthia), MINSKY (Linda), STERN, VILLIOTE, WANAT (Linda), and WIETING (Amy) met for a tailgate picnic before the BU - Harvard football game on October 4th. The BATTINS, who arranged the entire weekend, were hosts for dinner that evening and those from out of town were overnight guests of the local members of the Class. G. CURTIS BARRY is now working with a group of five physicians who cover the emergency room at the Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis. ISAAC L. BATTIN was named associate director of the psychiatric in-patient service of University Hospital. He was the recipient of a National Institute of Mental Health Career Teacher Development Fellowship. He serves as a consultant psychiatrist to Westwood Lodge and the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission. CHARLES B. CURRIER, after completing surgical training in July is with the Army at Walter Reed Hospital and involved with organ transplantation. LOUIS B. LEVOVSKY has an allergy practice in Fall River. ANDREW L. TAYLOR married Antoinette Pugliesi of Phillipsburg, N.J. on September 6. ALAN J. WABREK's son Chad Alan, born June 11. HERBERT M. WYMAN's daughter Sharon Esther, born June 20. He is in private practice of psychiatry in New York City, a clinical instructor of psychiatry at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and a candidate at the New York Psychoanalytic Institute.

'64 MARY JANE and ROBERT A. ENGLAND will be going to Kenya, East Africa where they will be on the staff of the hospital in Nairobi. She is on the staff of Thom Clinic and Boston City Hospital in the field of child and adolescent psychiatry. He is chairman of the Brighton-Allston APAC Health and Welfare Committee and was appointed to the trustees Long-Range Planning Committee. They have two daughters, Alexandra and Kara.

'65 ROBERT H. BROWN has completed his residency in ophthalmology at Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital in New York City. In July, he began serving two years with the U.S. Public Health Service. CHARLES T. CLOUTIER is currently at the New England Medical Center on a two year fellowship program in experimental surgery. It is being sponsored by the U.S. Navy in which he is on active duty and holds the rank of Lieutenant Commander. ALAIN DE LA CHAPELLE finished three years of residency training in psychiatry at University Hospital. In August, he began as a Navy psychiatrist at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif. EDGAR E. HOLMES married Gail T. Wilcox of New Britain. FREDERICK Y. NG married Judith F. DePaul of Chestnut Hill in March. GEORGE POULIOT has become an associate of DR. RAYMOND G. VINAL (35) in his medical practice at 894 Main Street, Norwell. RONALD A. ZEVIN has just opened an office at 50 Ball Street, Irvington, N.J. for the practice of obstetrics/gynecology.

'66 MICHAEL A. BLEICHER has completed the second year of his surgical trainee grant in Bio-Medical Engineering and will continue his residency at the Mt. Sinai Hospital, N.Y. EDWARD JOSEPH is returning to residency at the Genesee Hospital, Rochester, N.Y., after leaving the Air Force. JOHN M. NIGRO spent two years in the Navy stationed at the Boston Navy Yard and is now a surgical resident at University Hospital. STEPHEN J.
Interim Fund Report

Five years ago the period for conducting the Annual ALUMNI FUND was changed from a fiscal to a calendar year basis. This was done primarily to assist donors who wished to review their income tax obligations before the end of each year.

During these five years the annual FUND has shown a steady dollar increase while, at the same time, Alumni were being asked to help build the new Instructional Building and Library. These multiple campaigns may have created confusion among many of you. I am sure that those who have supported both programs recognize their relative importance. The new facilities were essential to keep a good Faculty and attract outstanding students. Also, larger quarters were necessary to accommodate more students to help meet the nation's demands for physicians. Without your generous support it is rather doubtful if we would yet have the new building and certainly we would not have been able to continue all of the programs financed by FUND receipts which benefit the School, its Faculty and Students.

It seems important at this time to restate the reasons for maintaining the annual FUND during the capital campaign period. Our Association is an independent corporate organization and is entirely self-supporting. It provides a headquarters for records and a secretary to carry out the activities which keep the association's members informed of events at the School and about their fellow graduates. When the annual income falls short of these budgeted commitments, it is too often the students who suffer because there is insufficient money for scholarship aid. Now that there has been a 30% increase in the number entering B.U.S.M. each year, the requests from Alumni sources for student sponsored activities have grown proportionately.

Currently, over 175 donors to the 1968 FUND have not responded this year and the dollar volume is $6,800 below the total at this time last year. Our target for 1969 is at least to equal the accomplishment of 1968, realizing that a number of Alumni have made gifts this year to the ALUMNI LIBRARY completion campaign.

When the Alumni Association agreed to contribute $50,000 to aid construction of a new Library it became necessary to suspend our annual unrestricted gift for general library operating expenses. We are anxious to resume giving the $2,000 or more, annually to the Librarian for special needs such as new equipment, books and journals. Until the $50,000 is paid, however, current FUND income does not warrant that amount in the budget. One way Alumni can help is by increasing their annual contributions to the ALUMNI FUND, designating some portion to the Association's Library pledge, leaving the remainder to be apportioned by the Executive Committee for other budget items. Of course, if those who have not been regular contributors to the annual ALUMNI FUND got into the habit of giving each year, there would be no problem. The 40%, on average, who contribute each year have been carrying the burden cheerfully, but help from twice that many would be appreciated. I earnestly hope that each of you will find it possible to play a part in this vital program and that the Alumni Association will receive your favorable attention. The rewards are well known — may we count on your expression of loyalty?

Murray M. Freed '52
Chairman Alumni Fund Committee

BEQUEST
From the Estate of
Helen B. Weistling '26
$500 to BUSM Scholarship Fund
Admissions Policy

For a period of time, five to ten years ago, applications to medical schools nationally, including applications to our own school declined, and there were expressions of concern about the declining interest on the part of young people in a career in medicine. The expressions of concern are now quite reversed. For the past five years applications to our medical school have been rising steadily so that last year we had the largest number in our history. In point of fact we had thirty applications for each available place, and although we know that we chose a fine class, we also know that some fine people had to be turned away. To work on the Admissions Committee is to be aware of the complexity of the task involved, but one cannot help but be impressed with the sensitivity of the process toward a whole host of individual factors. The Admissions Committee, collectively and individually, is interested in good applicants, and we hope that they are interested in us. The Admissions Committee is aware of the fact that Boston University School of Medicine has a special place in the regard its alumni have for it, and that it is a natural development that alumni would seek to interest members of their families in applying for admission. In acknowledgement of the interest and support of alumni, any applicant who is a member of the immediate family of an alumnus can request and will be given a personal interview which is exceedingly important in the admissions process.

Since the new application form does not provide space for the inclusion of information as to whether or not an applicant is related to an alumnus, alumni are urged to notify the Alumni Office that such an applicant has been made and a personal interview will be arranged. As always, the Admissions Committee welcomes suggestions or other expressions of interest in helping to select wisely and fairly the best group of applicants that we possibly can invite to attend our school.

Jacob Swartz '46

ANNUAL MEETING
April 25, 1970
Statler Hilton Hotel
Boston

Entering Class Largest In History

Ninety four Freshmen, selected from over 1800 applicants, registered on September 5 and attended their first classes at the School of Medicine on the following Monday. The Class of 1973 is composed of 15 women and 79 men including 28 who enrolled two years ago under the Six-Year Program. They came from 40 undergraduate colleges located in 16 states and the Virgin Islands.

Among the new students are five familiar names belonging to four sons of Alumni and one sister of a recent graduate. It is believed that for the first time a third generation has become a member of the BUSM family with the entrance of Steven R. LoVerme, Jr. whose father graduated in 1925. Another son is Robert Wright whose father was also in 1946. Todd Hunter is the son of Richard Hunter, 1944 and Konstantine Yankopolus is carrying on the tradition begun by his father in the Class of 1942. Felicia Liu is following in the footsteps of her sister Joyce Liu Chen, 1964.

Two members of the Class of 1973 at the Medical School have been awarded Martin Luther King, Jr. fellowships by Boston University this year. They are George Brown, a graduate of Hampton Institute and Bernard Cook, a graduate of Moorehouse College. These fellowships established by the Board of Trustees pay for tuition and provide a stipend for books and expenses.

This will be the first Class, during its entire four years, able to take full advantage of the New Instructional Building and Alumni Library. Although complete statistics are not available to make comparisons with previous entering classes, the Class of 1973 attained an average of 593 on the "MCAT" examinations which was 5.1% higher than the previous Class scored.

The new Student Lounge on the 4th floor of the Instructional Building was the setting for the traditional Alumni Reception to entering Freshmen on September 8th. During the informal social hour Faculty members and local Alumni greeted the students. Following dinner the program, under the chairmanship of Dr. David B. Stearns, included in addition to welcome remarks by department chairmen, brief, but challenging talks by Drs. Mortimer Buckley '58 and Richard Nesson '59 who told about their involvement in exciting work at two other medical center complexes in the Boston area.

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We are very grateful to all Alumni who have sent in personal news items and reported on their recent activities and accomplishments. These are invaluable to the success of ALUMNI NEWS and we look forward to receiving information from a growing number to help make our communications more interesting.

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