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University Hospital officially became the new name of the Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals on Thursday, March 11th, when the appropriate certificate was signed by Kevin White, Secretary of State for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in the presence of Jerome Preston, Sr., President of the Hospital. Within minutes, new signs appeared on the Hospital buildings, and before the end of the day, news releases had been sent out and faculty, staff, employees, alumni, and friends were notified of the change-over. And everyone is getting used to the new name and its initials -- U.H.

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The United States Naval Hospital in Chelsea has become the fifteenth Affiliate of the Medical Center, by agreement with that institution and BUMC. Third- and fourth-year students will be learning on the wards of the Chelsea Naval Hospital, as it is called, and members of their staff and of University Hospital will attend each other's Grand Rounds. This is the first all-service affiliation for any naval hospital in the country, and the first one for the Medical Center, as well.

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The School of Graduate Dentistry Certificate Awarding ceremony will be held on the evening of Thursday, May 20th, at 8:00 p.m. in the George Sherman Union. Thirty-seven students will be awarded certificates for completion of courses which include Oral Surgery, Periodontology, Orthodontics, Endodontics, Prosthetic Dentistry, Oral Pathology, Public Health and Preventive Dentistry, and Oral Pediatrics. It is expected that eight students will be awarded the degree of Master of Science in Dentistry. The program will include an outstanding guest speaker. Dean Goldman will preside at the ceremony which will be followed by a social hour.

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University Hospital Trustees, at their meeting on March 22nd, took six giant steps in the expansion program of the Medical Center by approving the following recommendations of the UH Committee on Policy and Planning:

1. That the urgent need for a new Evans Building be acknowledged; that it be the declared intention of the Trustees to construct a new Evans Building; and that funds be appropriated for the prompt employment of an architect to prepare schematic drawings for the new Evans Building in the general terms proposed by Dr. Wilkins.
2. That it be the declared intention of the Trustees to construct a Physicians' Office Building with parking and with consideration of other related facilities, such as motel space and restaurant; and that funds be appropriated for the prompt employment of an architect to prepare schematic drawings for the Physicians' Office Building and related facilities.
3. That it be the declared intention of the Trustees to devote to the Division of Surgery the space to be released by the moving of Evans activities to a new building; and to request Dr. Egdahl to begin developing plans for the utilization of such space.
4. That the Administrator be directed to prepare at the earliest possible time recommendations and estimated costs of increasing beds in the present Hospital building.
5. That the Trustees be authorized to negotiate and promptly execute a contract with Boston Edison to provide steam within a period of approximately nine months.
6. That the President and Treasurer or any two Officers of the Corporation be authorized to exchange parcels of land of equal size with the Department of Mental Health.

Item 6 concerns a strip of land adjacent to the Hospital, and another contiguous to Albany Street on which the present power plant and Stoughton Hall are located. Such an exchange will permit additional space for the new Evans Building, and will give the Mental Health Center access to Albany Street. As a result of the exchange, the present power plant will be abandoned, and the intensive studies which have been carried on recently indicate that purchase of steam from the Boston Edison will be more economic than construction of a new power plant.

The Committee on Policy and Planning which made these recommendations is composed of Paul F. Hellmuth and Boone Gross, Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively, and Henry J. Bakst, Bernard Bandler, Philip D. Bonnet, John Cogan, Elwood T. Dickinson, Richard H. Egdahl, Andrew D. Elia, Eli Goldston, James B. McIntosh, Ernest F. Stockwell, and Robert W. Wilkins, with the President and Executive Vice President serving as ex officio members. The Committee and the UH Trustees are to be commended for taking such dynamic actions and for stimulating these urgently-needed projects.

Fund-Raising Activities: The forthcoming Development Campaign is now in the organizational phase. Dr. Jacob Swartz, Associate Professor of Psychiatry in BUSM, and Dr. David J. Baraban, Professor of Prosthetic Dentistry in BUSGD, head the faculty groups which are now completely organized. The campaign for Alumni solicitation, under the chairmanship of Dr. J. Mark Hiebert (BUSM '32, Chairman and President of Sterling Drug, and Vice Chairman of the BU Trustees) and the Executive Chairmanship of Dr. Herbert Mescon (BUSM '42 and Professor of Dermatology) is moving well. Close to 200 workers have signed up to participate. Dr. Thomas F. Boyd (BUSM '48, Assistant Professor of Surgery), the Massachusetts Chairman, has been making dozens of telephone calls to secure a complete organization of the Massachusetts area, the largest division of the campaign. Assignments are being made for Trustee and special-gift solicitation. The campaign materials and brochure will soon be ready for distribution, and the workers are anxiously awaiting the GO signal to spring into action on May 8th.

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The BUMC Calendar is being handled in the office of Mrs. Carson, Assistant to the BUMC Director, and all Center activities should be cleared with her. The following events are scheduled for the next two months:

Wednesday, April 14, 12:00 noon	BUMC Trustee Council Meeting
Monday, April 19	Patriots' Day, BUMC holiday
Wednesday, April 21, 12:00 noon	BUSM Faculty Meeting
Monday, April 26, 2:00 p.m.	UH Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, April 28	BCH Third Surgical Service Annual Seminar
Monday, May 10, 12:00 - 4:30	UH Recognition Day
Wednesday, May 12, 12:00 noon	BUMC Trustee Council meeting
Thursday, May 20, 8:00 p.m.	BUSGD Certificate Awarding
Monday, May 24, 2:00 p.m.	UH Trustees meeting
Thursday, May 27, 12:00 noon	BUSM Faculty Meeting
Saturday, June 5, 8:00 p.m.	BUSM Class Day Exercises
Sunday, June 6	Commencement Day

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A Service Recognition Dinner by BU on March 18th honored the following BUSM members for 10 or more years of service: Archie A. Abrams, Evangelos T. Angelakos, Stewart Armstrong, Isaac Asimov, Edgar E. Baker, Bernard Bandler, William C. Barrett, Miriam F. Barror, Walter E. Barton, Ruth Brody, John J. Byrne, Edith Chadwick, Marion Collins, John D. Ifft, Charles A. Kane, Mary A. Laspada, Constance MacDonald, William F. McNary, Beulah Merrill, Elizabeth K. Moyer, Wallace Shaw, Erika E. Smakula, Mary L. Turner, and Mary Whitehead.

Honored for 25 or more years of service was Henry J. Bakst!

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Personal Notes....Congratulations to DR. ERNEST J. FERRIS, Instructor in Radiology, on his appointment as a Scholar in Radiological Research under a grant to BUSM from the National Academy of Sciences - National Research Council....MRS. PATRICIA JOHANNSON is now Secretary to the BUMC Director, a promotion from Secretary to the BUMC Business Officer. She replaced Margaret Miller who left for England to become Mrs. Wilbert Lick....DR. ALAN S. COHEN, Associate Professor of Medicine, delivered the annual Fried Lecture at the Newton-Wellesley Hospital....Welcome to NANCY HARRINGTON, new secretary in the BUSM Dean's Office....DR. KARL SCHMID, Associate Professor of Biochemistry, leaves for Vienna, Austria, on April 15th to attend a meeting of European biochemists.



Lewis H. Rohrbaugh
Director