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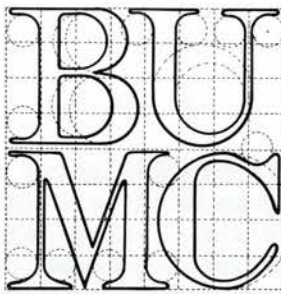
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DIRECTOR'S NEWSLETTER

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Dr. Anne K. Kibrick became Dean of the Boston University School of Nursing on July 1, 1963, succeeding Dean Marie Farrell who retired on June 30. Having served as Professor of Nursing and Chairman of the Graduate Division of the School of Nursing since 1958, she is no newcomer to the University; and as a member of several BUMC committees, she is well known out here, as well. Dean Kibrick is the wife of Dr. Sidney Kibrick, Associate Professor of Medicine and Microbiology at BUSM, and the mother of two children - John, aged 4, and Joan, aged 9. There is already clear evidence of her strong leadership and organizational ability. The outstanding reputation of BUSON will continue to be maintained and strengthened under her guidance. BUMC extends a warm welcome to Dean Kibrick!

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Welcome to the BUSM Class of 1967! Seventy-two students began their medical school education last month, approximately half of whom have been in the Six-Year Medical Program during the past two years, in BU's College of Liberal Arts. Other colleges represented include Harvard, Boston, Brown, Simmons, Bowdoin, University of Rochester, and others scattered throughout the country. Fifteen states are represented, the majority coming from Massachusetts (30), New York (19), and New Jersey (7). All are American citizens except one young lady from Hong Kong, a member of the Six-Year Program. Included among the 72 students are 10 females. All but six are unmarried.

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This is a belated but official welcome to Bob Jordan, the BUMC Business Manager, and the other members of his staff now located in new offices in Vose Hall. With purchasing and personnel decentralized from the Main Campus, there has been a great improvement in these services as well as in the other business operations.

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The BUMC Choral Group, Dr. Alice Marston reports, is meeting regularly on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of Building A. Membership is open to everyone - staff, faculty, students - so drop in if you are interested in having fun and singing. No other qualifications!

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An integrated course on the Neural Sciences is being planned for the second semester of the first medical year in 1964. Dean Gellis has appointed a committee consisting of Drs. Angelakos, Barrett, Kane, Lassek, Sander, Sinex, and Ullrick to work out the details after close consultation with the department chairmen concerned. The course will include Neuroanatomy, Neurophysiology, Neurobiochemistry, Psychiatry, and Neurology.

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Dr. Chester S. Keefer, who retired on June 30 as Wade Professor of Medicine and University Professor, has been awarded a grant from the National Fund for Medical Education, under which he will serve as special consultant to the BUSM Curriculum Committee on medical education. Specifically, Dr. Keefer will coordinate the curriculum for the Six-Year Medical Program. His office is located on the third floor of Building A.

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Surgical Research Seminars, which held their first meeting last May, are scheduled for the last Wednesday of each month, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m., on Evans 9 of MMH. The September meeting, led by Dr. Harold Harrower, concerned the Effect of Surgical Trauma on Coagulation Factors. Dr. John J. Byrne and Dr. Ernest A. Sneddon will conduct the October and November sessions, respectively.

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Alumni affairs held last Spring included the Alumni Dinner at the Hotel Somerset on May 4; a small meeting of BUSM Alumni held in Atlantic City in connection with the AMA meeting and attended by Mr. Jacobs and me; and in late June, the reunion of the 1953 class in Winchendon, Mass. Over 30% of the class attended, including one member from Utah. Among other activities planned is a 25-year gift plan, the first of its kind. The wide-spread enthusiasm among the group resulted in the appointment of a number of permanent committees.

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The Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals Medical and Surgical Society will hold its next meeting on Friday, October 18th, beginning with a luncheon at noon, to be followed by a Symposium on Organ Transplantation. The Annual Dinner will be held that same day at the M.I.T. Faculty Club at 6:00 p.m., and will honor Dr. Samuel N. Vose.

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A new conference room is available in Building C, Room 206, seating from 12 to 15 people. Reservations may be made through the office of the BUMC Director, Ext. 218.

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A Toxicology Laboratory is being planned by BUMC under the joint aegis of the Law-Medicine Research Institute and the Department of Pharmacology. Located at Boston City Hospital, this facility will have the participation of the State Police Laboratory, the City of Boston Toxicologist, the Boston Poison Center, the Boston City Hospital clinical services, and metropolitan and suburban hospitals. Envisaged in the program will be training for technicians, Ph.D.'s in toxicology, and physicians interested in this field; research programs; and service to the community. Such an important service will, it is hoped, receive national recognition for the type of service rendered and for the scope of its activities.

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Nursing News: A cordial welcome to the following faculty members of BUSON who joined the faculty this year: Rita Boucher, Elizabeth Brosnan, Stephanie Conwell, Marcia Curtis, Charlotte Ferguson, Gloria Gianfrede, Olga B. Goodfellow, Janet I. Hirsch, Carolyn Hornick, Alice Hosack, Marie Nousse, Phyllis Parnes, Mary R. Petkauskos, Patricia Powers, Lois Rich, Mary Rommell, Martha L. Sacci, Hildegard Salenius, Grace Sarosi, Helen M. Sawitsky, Dorothea T. Schmidt, Claire Tuchalski, Nancy Wechsler, and Beverly Zamanigian; and to Emily Feener of the MMH Nursing Service staff.

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Xerox facilities in Building A are now under the supervision of the BUMC Library. A uniform charge of ten cents is being made, and the service is available to all units of BUMC as well as to others, including BCH.

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A Housekeeping Improvement Program at MMH has been under way since May 15th by the firm of Harry Stroh, Inc. Although full implementation of the program is not anticipated until December, already there has been significant visible improvement in the appearance of the Hospital. The reorganization of the personnel within the Department has met with general enthusiasm by the Housekeeping staff. As a result of the effectiveness of this study, the Stroh organization has been retained by Plant Superintendent Klein to assist in the organization of his department. Although this work has just begun, there is already noticeable improvement in the appearance of classrooms in Building B.

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Dr. Robert W. Wilkins is presently in Russia on a month's Exchange Mission of the National Heart Institute. He is a member of a seven-man team of cardiologists visiting heart centers in Moscow, Leningrad, Novosibirsk, Kuybyshev, Tiflis, Sukhumi, and Kiev. Other noted specialists on the team include Dr. Paul D. White and Dr. Ralph Knutti.

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Personal Notes....HERB KLEIN, BUMC Plant Superintendent, will be serving as Lecturer on Emergency Shelter Management for Hospitals for the Massachusetts Hospital Association on October 22 and November 19....Fond farewells to DR. PAUL M. RUNGE (BUSM Faculty) and MAE TYLDESLEY (BUSM Telephone Operator), who left us during the summer....Good luck to GRACE AUBURN and congratulations on her recovery from her recent operation....A warm welcome to MARTHA BATES, secretary to Public Relations Officer Brown, to DEBRA OAKES, secretary to Dr. Keefer in his new post, and to MARY DEAN, secretary to Law-Medicine Institute Director Curran....and to all of the BUSON and BUSM students who joined the BUMC family this Fall.

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Remember Saturday evening, December 14th, when the MMH Aid Association takes over the Saxon Theater for the premiere of "The Cardinal", part of which was filmed at Talbot.

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Lewis H. Rohrbaugh
Director