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Captured in profile against Boston's Government Center on the skyline are Dr. Jacob Swartz, U.H. Administrator Nelson Evans, Thomas Tighe, Administrative Resident and Karen Turino, Personnel, enjoying an informal interlude preceding the annual House Officers' Dinner.

Welcome Dinner for New House Officers of UH

It's an animated scene when the incoming house officers of University Hospital, who reported for service here on July 1, meet informally with trustees and members of the medical and administrative staff of the Hospital.

A lively and hospitable reception and dinner is a tradition of welcome which

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Dr. Lewis H. Rohrbaugh, Medical Center Director and Dr. Belton Burrows snatch a moment at the House Officers' Dinner to discuss Dr. Burrows' appointment as editor of the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*.



BUMC IN MAJOR ROLE AT ARTHRITIS MEETING

The annual meetings of the Arthritis Foundation and the American Rheumatism Association, held in June at Boston's Statler-Hilton, saw Medical Center physicians come front and center as well as wielding influence behind the scenes.

Dr. Alan S. Cohen, who heads our Arthritis Section, attended the Executive Committee meeting of the ARA, the Medical Administrative Committee and the Governing Board of the Arthritis Foundation. He presided at one of the principal scientific sessions of the ARA meeting, and was nominated Chairman of the organization's Publication Committee for the influential journal "Arthritis and Rheumatism."

Drs. Edgar Cathcart and Francis R. Comerford, both Assistant Professors of Medicine, served on committees and participated in sessions. Dr. Cathcart, a member of the Arrangements Committee, presented a talk on the complications of rheumatoid arthritis to the Governing Board of the Arthritis Foun-

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Dr. Aleksander Mathé and Dr. Peter Knapp. See their story below.

"Leadership in Psychiatric Research..."

An unusual 2-year training program in research for psychiatrists who have already completed three years of residency is offered here by our Division of Psychiatry. Originated in 1962 by Dr. Bernard Bandler, the program has been under the direction of Dr. Seymour Fisher for the past six years.

Dr. Aleksander A. Mathé, who received his certificate in June, has been

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A truly joint enterprise in patient care! The lovely little girl is a patient of our Home Medical Service who is being seen by her "family doctor" Fred Cecere, 4th year medical student, while Mother watches; and beside her on the sofa, Social Worker Naomi Cotter and Spanish-speaking translator Mrs. Jovita Fontanez of SNAP make sure that understanding is complete. The scene is the living room of an attractive South End home not far from our Center, and the occasion for the photograph, a lead article in *SCOPE* by Mrs. Bernice Howard, Director of Social Service.





Dr. Chasin to Direct Putnam Center

Dr. Richard Chasin, named this spring as Director of the James Jackson Putnam Children's Center, an affiliate of the Boston University Medical Center, has assumed his post as of July 1.

The Putnam Center, established in 1943 and located in a big and pleasant old mansion on Townsend Street, Roxbury, has contributed significantly to the understanding of the preschool child's emotional development. It has earned an international reputation as a research, clinical and training center for child psychiatrists, pediatricians, psychologists, social workers and teachers.

Dr. Chasin earned his B.A. at Yale and his M.D. at Harvard; he received his psychiatric training at the Massachusetts Mental Health Center which he has also served as chief of its Adolescent Emergency Service. A resident of Newton Highlands, he has been consultant for the sex education program in the Newton Public Schools. He has also been an active consultant for educational radio and television projects at WGBH, Channel 2, Boston, and for Publications for Parents, a project of the Children's Medical Center, Boston.

The Putnam Center provides psychiatric treatment and educational service for the young child, both normal and emotionally disturbed, and his family. Currently, under the direction of Dr. Chasin, the Center is actively engaged

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in the development of services for the Roxbury community.

ARTHRITIS MEETING (Continued)

dation; Dr. Comerford, on the Program Committee, was involved in discussions of the finding of a new "virus-like particle" in kidney biopsies of patients with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus.

Drs. Martha Skinner and Phoebe Krey, Instructors in Medicine and staff members of our arthritis group, presented scientific papers at the meeting. Also serving on the Arrangements Committee, Dr. Skinner gave a presentation on the subject of "Amino-terminal amino acid analysis of the Amyloid Fibril Protein." Dr. Krey's paper dealt with "Interaction of Mycoplasma with fetal Synovium in culture: Electron Microscopic Studies." This work has potential importance in the discovery of the causative agents of rheumatoid arthritis.

PSYCHIATRIC RESEARCH (Continued)

conducting studies concerned with the psychological, physiological and biochemical correlates of stress, collaborating with his supervisor, Dr. Peter Knapp. At the conclusion of the brief ceremony, Dr. Fisher requested the above picture of the team of "Knapp and Mathé."

IMPORTANT GRANT

On May 26, the Board of Directors of the Commonwealth Fund voted an appropriation of \$115,000 to the Boston University Medical Center "to assist the Center to conduct a fundamental study of its objectives and related policies and programs which is intended to lead to a series of actions for the Center's continued improvement."

A committee has been appointed and charged to carry out this action-oriented study; it will be known as the "Chapman Study Committee."

HOUSE OFFICERS (Continued)

gives both newcomers and staff a relaxed opportunity to get to know each other. For the third year the event took place in the many-windowed Skyline Room of Boston's Museum of Science with its view of the tidal basin of the Charles and the impressive silhouettes of towering buildings across the river.

Held on Wednesday evening, July 2, the weather itself conspired to make a good impression on our new house staff, many of whom are seeing Boston for the first time. No formal program followed the excellent roast beef dinner; the occasion concentrates on good food and good talk in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere, as the photographs on these pages will bear witness.

Immediately below, left: Jerome Preston, Jr. and Jerome Preston, Sr. chat with John F. Cogan, Jr. as the House Officers Dinner gets underway. At right: Dr. Shivuteru Usui and Dr. Cecilia Calderon. Large picture below: A lively group exchange greetings at the July 2 House Officers' Dinner; at left Dr. Teresa Huszar, in rear Dr. Edward Spatz may be glimpsed; the cameo in the center is Dr. Constance Cornog, and at right is Dr. Stuart Strong.



"Andy to Nelson; Nelson to Andy."

On May 15th of this year Dr. Andrew D. Elia was honored for 30 years of service to University Hospital, one of a group of devoted men and women who were presented awards in recognition of from five to fifty years with the UH.

On June 10th he wrote the following letter to UH Administrator Nelson Evans:

Dear Nelson: Thank you very much for the pin and the certificate which give me credit for 30 years of service to the hospital. I value them and will see to it that they are properly displayed.

I am sincerely sorry that I could not be there to receive the honors in person, for such generous recognition from you deserved a public response from me. I want you to know that the past thirty years at Mass Memorial (now University Hospital) have been happy years for me. I am a product of that institution and through the years I have been nourished and encouraged by the staff and all the personnel, and have counted myself a fortunate man to be associated with such a pleasant and generous group of men and women. Throughout this time I never missed an opportunity to show my appreciation for so many kindnesses. I think that I gave of myself totally. I have loved the Hospital, and this love and high regard has not diminished and will continue as long as I live. It is a great place and deserves our kindest consideration, so that it will continue to serve with skill and compassion.

It is my fond wish that the University Hospital will grow and increase in size and usefulness. Please convey my kindest and best wishes to the Trustees and to the medical staff — to the residents, interns and all those who show love and devotion to the patients who come for help and reassurance and comfort . . . When 35 years have passed I'll be there to say loudly and proudly what is in my thoughts and in my heart.

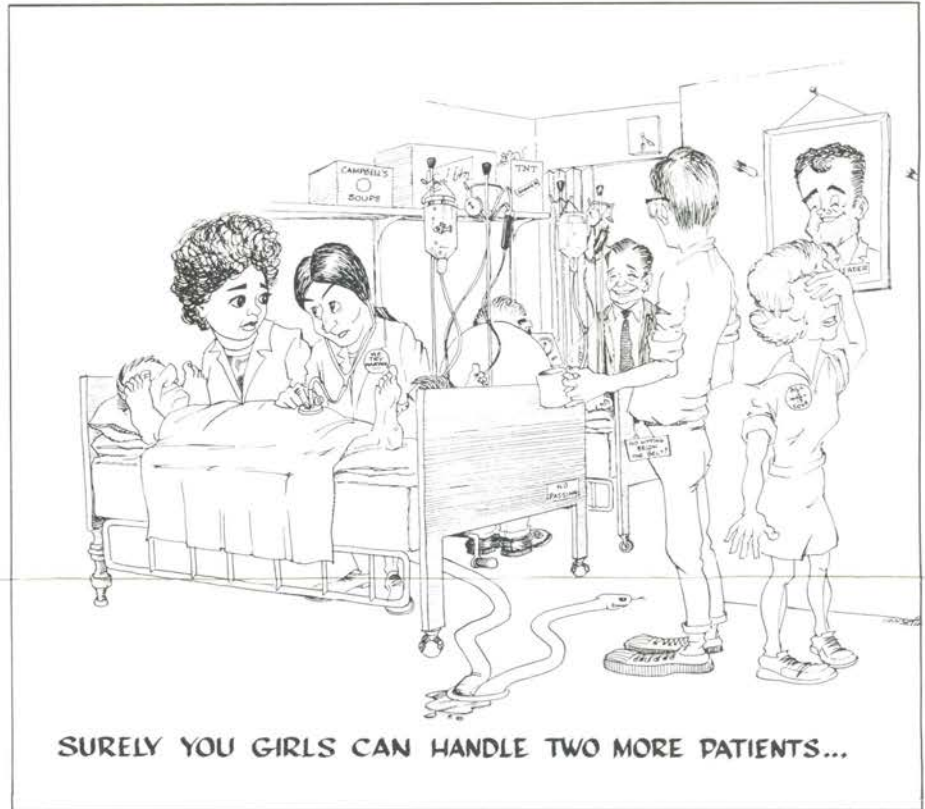
Ever your friend,
Andrew D. Elia

Dear Andy:

We all appreciate your very kind letter of June 10 regarding your thirty years of association with the Massachusetts Memorial and University Hospital.

I can assure you that your contribution to the institution through these years has been most significant, and the association has been of mutual benefit. From my vantage point I think we have benefitted more by what you have done for us than what we have done for you; your service and contribution to the patients and Hospital has been truly outstanding. For this we will ever be grateful.

The service pin which is given to employees for this length of service is only a mere token of appreciation. What you and other individuals have done to help build this institution is something of which we can all be justly proud!



This enchanting cartoon was executed by John Tonseth, University Hospital patient from June of last year to March of 1969. It depicts a busy (understatement) day in Renal Dialysis. Dr. Marlene Alda and Mrs. Betty Luongo bend over one bed, while, back to the viewer, Dr. Edmund Ricanati and Dr. Jacob Lemann concentrate on another patient. The artist and Jessie Toohey, R.N. (hand to head) are "shown" beneath the framed portrait of Dr. John Harrington, their "boss."

We trust we shall have the pleasure of awarding you a thirty-five year pin and look forward to your continued association and interest during this time. Thank you for sending us your very warm personal note.

Nelson F. Evans

Dr. Mozden Directs Tri-State Cancer Program

The first regional comprehensive cancer care and training program in New England was announced in early June by the Tri-State Regional Medical Program which serves this area.

The \$280,000. grant, funded at \$93,000. for the first year, will help to bring the best possible care to cancer patients of eight hospitals with a total of nearly 3000 beds. Our own Dr. Peter J. Mozden is Director for the program which will include patient care, demonstration, training, and continuing research and education involving an affiliation of the cooperating hospitals with University Hospital's specifically oriented 24-bed Cancer Unit.

Participating hospitals are the B.U. Medical Center, including University Hospital, the School of Medicine and the School of Graduate Dentistry; Boston City Hospital, B.U. Services; the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital, Boston; the U.S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea; the

Framingham Union Hospital; the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital; the Malden Hospital; the Portsmouth Hospital of Portsmouth, N.H. As the program progresses other hospitals will join in the combined effort.

Dr. Mozden explained the objectives of the program: "The service goal of the program is to provide any cancer patient in the area, regardless of where he lives or the nature of the problem the best treatment medical science can offer, whether through his own doctor and hospital and consultants working with them, or, when needed in the Medical Center itself."

To Front & Center: "A very highly regarded personality has been working in our Hospital for 1 year. This person is devoted to both the Hospital and the Nurses that work nights . . . He has obtained through years of hard work and training a very high place in the field of Judo, Karate and Aikido. He has a 2nd degree black belt in Judo, 6th degree B.B. in Karate, 1st degree B.B. in Aikido . . . People say he is a great protection for the Nursing Staff; so state Mrs. Knapp, Mrs. Thornton and Miss Allen. . . . Thomas Monahan works the 4-12:30 shift in Housekeeping and is always there when needed and does a remarkable job at keeping the Hospital clean." Signed: A Fellow Employee of UH.



A gallant young girl on Evans 3, who will be with us as a long-term diabetic patient, is proud of her beautifully decorated room. Friends and family have combined to turn her room into a gay and loving demonstration of those who think of her while she is in our University Hospital care.

Two new members have been named to the Trustee Council of the Medical Center, as recently announced by Dr. Lewis H. Rohrbaugh: George B. Rockwell, Executive Vice President of the State Street Bank and Trust Company, and Samuel Shapiro, Vice President of the Maryland Cup Corporation and President of Sweetheart Plastics, Inc. of Wilmington, Mass.

Mr. Rockwell, who lives in Wellesley Hills, is a member of the Board of Overseers of the Boys Clubs of Boston and the Board of Trustees of the Boston Harvard Business School alumni.

Mr. Shapiro, a Boston University graduate, has served as an Incorporator of University Hospital. He lives in Swampscott where he is actively involved with the Union Hospital in Lynn, the North Shore Community Center and the Advisory Commission of the Boy Scout Council.

Small World, Big Reputation Department: Dr. Lewis H. Rohrbaugh, Medical Center Director, relates this incident for Front & Center: "I will shortly meet with a member of the State Insurance Commission. Earlier we postponed our meeting because he was planning a trip to Europe and a visit with the Pope. Telephoning on his return to Boston to make another date, he observed that the fame of Boston University Medical Center is apparently well spread in Italy. He was sitting beside an Italian dentist awaiting the conference with the Pope. They exchanged notes and he found that the dentist had participated in a workshop conducted in Italy by our doctors Goldman and Baraban, and now plans to come over to the dedication next fall of our new School of Graduate Dentistry building."

Mark Rapoport, completing his third year at the School of Medicine was off to Saigon in mid-June, the first student in recent years to be chosen for participation in the American Medical Association's Volunteer Physicians for Vietnam program.

Under a grant from the United States Agency for International Development Mr. Rapoport will be the junior member of a team of tropical medicine and public health experts headed by Dr. Philip J. Beckjord of the Tulane University School of Public Health. The group will spend two months on the development of a public health system for the civilian population of South Vietnam.

Following his work in Vietnam Mark Rapoport will proceed to Kathmandu, Nepal, for an additional month, under another grant, to make a "community diagnosis" of specific physical, economic and cultural aspects of health in Nepal. When he returns to us in the fall, the data he has amassed will be analyzed by our Department of Community Medicine and concrete recommendations for improved health care in Nepal will be formulated. Mr. Rapoport himself will deliver this health care plan to the nation's health authorities when he returns to Nepal, after his graduation in 1970, for a full year.

The year in Nepal, on a scholarship from the International College of Surgeons will also include serving on the surgical service of the United Mission Medical Center in the capital city of Kathmandu.

News from the Division of Psychiatry: Dr. Jacob Swartz is now President-Elect (first Vice President) of the Boston University School of Medicine Alumni Association. Dr. Peter Knapp

is President-Elect (1969-1970) of the American Psychosomatic Society.

William C. Ullrick, Ph.D., Professor of Physiology, has been appointed Acting Chairman of the Department of Physiology as of July 1, and until such time as a Chairman of the Department is named.

Among the distinguished participants in the fourth conference of the International Center for Advanced Studies now being held on the Island of Crete are two Medical Center biochemists.

Dr. Louis C. Fillios, Associate Research Professor of Pathology and Biochemistry, will chair the Symposium on Molecular Biology which runs from July 16 through July 29. He helped to plan the gathering as a member of the Conference Program Committee. Dr. Karl Schmid, Professor of Biochemistry, will present two papers during the Molecular Biology session, both dealing with the study of glycoproteins.

Scientists will converge on Crete from England, Sweden, Germany and Israel as well as from the United States.

Dr. Belton Burrows has been invited to become editor of the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*. His responsibilities on the publication will extend throughout the next five years. He will maintain a separate office for the *Journal* in The Doctors Building when it is ready for occupancy.

Strong feminine support! Dr. Alexander G. Matoltsy, who has authored an article for SCOPE on keratin research, is shown below in two of the photographs taken of his "team" — at left, with his secretary Mrs. Ruth Wiley, and right, with his wife and scientific colleague, Dr. Margit Matoltsy, in their Blue Building headquarters.

