Bernard Edison
Named to Board

Joseph F. Ruwitch, president of Jewish Hospital, has announced the election of Bernard Edison to the Board of Directors.

Mr. Edison, a vice-president of Edison Brothers Stores, Inc., received his B.S. degree in mathematics at Harvard College in 1949. Two years later he received his M.S. degree in business at Harvard University. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society.

He served in the United States Air Force from 1951 to 1953 as a Lieutenant. Mr. Edison has served on the Board of Directors of Jewish Hospital.

Mr. Ruwitch said, "Gordon Scherck received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Washington University, and an LL.B. degree from St. Louis University. He was the son of Dr. Harry J. Scherck, well-known St. Louis surgeon.

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These gifts have been placed in the Gordon and Marjorie Scherck Unrestricted Endowment Fund which was established in 1965. This perpetual fund will remain as a living tribute to his life and his deeds. We mourn his loss and extend our sincere and deepest sympathy to his wife Marjorie; his two sons, Gordon and Roger L. Scherck; and his brother, Henry J. Scherck."

53 Presidents of Jewish Groups Attend Dinner at Hospital

More than 75 persons attended the Dinner held on Wednesday, November 15, at Jewish Hospital. Included in the group were members of the Board of Directors of the Hospital, administration and directors of professional departments as well as 53 presidents of civic and religious organizations of the St. Louis Jewish community. The purpose of the dinner was to orient the group to the significant developments in medical care, education and research which have taken place at the Hospital in the last decade as well as to share the long range goals and objectives of the Hospital. Guests seated at the head table included: Dr. Morris Abrams, president of the Medical Staff; Mrs. Stanley M. Cohen, president of the Jewish Hospital Auxiliary; Joseph F. Ruwitch, president of the Board of Directors; David A. Gee, executive director; Dr. Stanford Winter, physician-in-chief; and Rabbi Lawrence Siegel, Jewish Federation Community Chaplain. Speakers at the dinner included Mr. Ruwitch, Mr. Gee, and Dr. Waser.

Mr. Ruwitch said, "Our Jewish Hospital has become a community institution, serving the entire metropolitan St. Louis area without regard to a person's race, creed or color. We also provide medical education on the undergraduate and graduate level to young men and women of all creeds and origins and we are proud of our ability to manifestly meet our community responsibilities."

He reviewed the organization of the health plan of the Jewish community of 1951. In discussing the merger of the Jewish Hospital, Jewish Sanatorium, Miriam Rosa Bry Convalescent Center and the Jewish Social Service Bureau, he said, "Through the joint efforts of the Jewish Federation and the Hospital community campaign for capital funds, more than 7 million dollars was raised for substantial expansion in physical facilities at the Hospital. The three agencies' activities were merged into the Hospital at that time. More recently, a major affiliation with Washington University School of Medicine was achieved.

Mr. Ruwitch said that very few Jewish hospitals throughout the United States have become major teaching affiliates of top medical schools, and our affiliation with Washington University is one which creates more than pride. It creates an obligation of moral, professional and financial excellence which is ultimately reflected in a higher quality of patient care.

Mr. Gee reviewed the history of the Hospital with the use of slides, illustrating many of the recent patient care developments such as Medical and Surgical Intensive Care Units at the Hospital.

Dr. Waser spoke about the future patient care. He said that four factors of present day decisions will influence the future of patient care: technological change; discussion of medical technology throughout the land; structural changes in organization of medical care, and the influence of the federal government.

Dr. Waser said that the time is propitious for us no longer to think of Jewish Hospital as existing solely for the care of the sick. We should all begin to conceive of this exciting Hospital first and

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Gordon Scherck, Sr., Dies, Board Member

Gordon Scherck, Sr., vice-president of the Jewish Hospital Board of Directors, recently died of heart disease in his home at 19 Carnival Drive in Clayton.

Mr. Scherck, chairman of the board of Scherck, Stein and France, Inc., stock brokerage firm, was a former governor of the Midwest Stock Exchange. He also served as vice-president of the Jewish Community Centers Association, was a member of St. Louis University President's Council, a board member of the Jewish Federation, and a trustee for the Jewish Center for Aged.

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Employees Enjoy 1967 Holiday Party

Buffet Dinner; Combo; Fortune Teller Popular

Whirling gypsy background set the scene for the 1967 Employees' Holiday Party from 3:30 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 20.

The Employees' Dining Room underwent special renovation for the day, including a gypsy fortune teller's booth, and bright colored decorations. Center pieces included tambourines with multi-colored streamers for the serving tables and gaily lit lanterns for each of the tables. A magnificent table was set by the members of the Dietary Department under the direction of Bo Axelrod, director of Food Services. The buffet dinner included such specialties as boneless breast of chicken with cherry-current jelly, braised corn, creamed broccoli with fried onion rings, tossed green salad, marinated artichoke hearts, cauliflower, watermelon rind, cheese cake, cream puffs and petit fours served with punch and egg nog.

The Hugh "Peanuts" Whalum Combo provided musical entertainment during the afternoon.

Members of the Holiday Party Committee were dressed in costumes relating to the Gypsy theme. Greeters and servers with special gifts welcomed the more than 1,000 employees attending the party.

Members of the Committee who worked on the program included Bo Axelrod, Twink Cherriek, chairman, Bella Fendelman, Eloise Delap, R.N., Robert J. Hickok, George V. Horne, Armund Jaquier, Barbara Levy, Lester J. Noebury, Virginia Reisinger, R.N., and Evelyn Whitlock. Elmer Bannmann designed colorful posters and the tickets for the event. The annual event is part of the Hospital's way of expressing its appreciation to each employee for his outstanding service to patients throughout the year.
Dr. Charles K. Friedberg Speaks As Arthur E. Strauss Visiting Professor

Dr. Charles K. Friedberg, professor of medicine and chief of the Cardiology Division at the Mount Sinai Medical School, New York, was the 9th Annual Arthur E. Strauss Visiting Professor, December 5, in the Moses H. Shoren Memorial School of Nursing Auditorium.

Dr. Friedberg spoke on "Propranolol—Its Use and Contraindications in Cardiac Patients." He is well-known for his work on more than 117 publications in scientific medical journals, a monograph on bacterial endocarditis, and a book "Diseases of the Heart." Dr. Friedberg has also edited "Progress in Cardiovascular Diseases," "Heart, Kidney and Electrolytes," and "Radio Isotopes in Cardiovascular Disease."

Established in 1958

The Visiting Professor Fund was established in 1958 to honor Dr. Strauss, a member of the staff at Jefferson Hospital since 1919.

Friends, relatives and associates have added to the fund and each year continue to honor Dr. Strauss' birthday.

The first Visiting Professorship lecture was given by Dr. Paul Dudley White, a friend of Dr. Strauss since their days together at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Other lecturers included Dr. Rene Wegrzyn (1960); Dr. George C. Griffith (1961); Dr. Robert M. Kark (1962); Dr. John J. Sampson (1963); Dr. S. Gilbert Blount, Jr. (1964); Dr. E. Gray Dimond (1965); Dr. Robert W. Berliner (1966); and this year's professor, Dr. Friedberg.

Dr. Strauss was born in St. Louis and was graduated from Harvard College and Harvard Medical School. Appointed an instructor in pediatrics at the Massachusetts General Hospital and a resident in Cardiology at St. Francis Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Dr. Strauss was also the R. B. Mellen Fellow in Internal Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh, 1916-17.

He volunteered for the United States Army during World War I, and was stationed in New York City at the Rockefeller Institute on the cardiovascular service. Dr. Strauss later was sent to England with the British army where he served with Dr. Thomas Lewis, a well-known British cardiologist. When he was reassigned to the United States Army cardiovascular service, Dr. Strauss remained stationed in France until the war was over. He was commissioned a Captain.

From 1919 to 1952, Dr. Strauss was physician-in-charge of the Heart Station at Jefferson Hospital. He was president of the Medical Staff from 1949 to 1953, and director of the Division of Medicine from 1948 to 1955.

Dr. Strauss believes that a more fundamental and post-graduate training obtained by young physicians at Jefferson Hospital is very important for their future success.

Helped Found AHA

In 1922 Dr. Strauss was one of the persons in St. Louis who met with a group of cardiovascular physicians to discuss the feasibility of founding an American Heart Association. By 1926, the American Heart Association was a reality, and Dr. Strauss has been honored as one of the founding members of this institution. He has been a member of the St. Louis Heart Association since 1926, and served as president of the group for two terms.

A few of the organizations to which Dr. Strauss belongs include the following: Alpha Omega Alpha, National Honorary Medical Society, the American Heart Association, the St. Louis Medical Society, Missouri Medical Society and the former Occupational Therapy Workshop. Dr. Strauss is also a former national president of the Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity and a Fellow in the following organizations: the American College of Physicians in Internal Medicine and Cardiovascular Disease, the American College of Chest Physicians and the American College of Cardiologists. Dr. Strauss is still active as a member of the Board of the St. Louis Heart Association and the St. Louis Tuberculosis and Health Society.

Currently, Dr. Strauss is consultant emeritus in internal medicine and cardiology at Jewish Hospital; assistant professor emeritus in clinical medicine at Washington University Medical School, and physician emeritus at Barnes Hospital.

Dr. Benjamin F. May, former Urology Chief, Dies at Age 85

Funeral services were held November 30th for Dr. Benjamin F. May, former director of the Urology Department at Jefferson Hospital.

Dr. May, 85 years old, died at Marie de Villa retirement center in St. Louis County on November 29.

He was born in Albany, N.Y., and was graduated from Harvard Medical School in 1907. He came to St. Louis in 1915 and practiced medicine here for 52 years, retiring in 1957.

He was on the staff of the Hospital from 1926 to 1949.

Dr. May was an assistant professor of clinical urology at St. Louis University, and was head of the Urology Department of the Labor Health Institute.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Harry S. Rosenberg, and two sons, Charles S. May and Benjamin F. May, Jr.
The Department of Medicine at Jewish Hospital is concerned with patient care, research and education.

In addition to a full time staff of six physicians and 110 private physicians, the department also has nine residents, including chief resident Morton Levy, M.D., and 12 interns, all active in the department’s patient care and education program.

The recent opening of the Medical Intensive Care Unit gave the department the most sophisticated instrumentation available for the electronic monitoring of critically ill patients.

The research activities of the department have been gathering considerable momentum during the past two years. For the year 1967-68, the department has received over $400,000 in research grants from the National Institute of Health, the Atomic Energy Commission, the American Heart Association and the St. Louis Heart Association.

Dr. Stanford Wessler, M.D., physician-in-chief, said, “One of the main thrusts of the department is to develop over the next three years approximately ten sections within the department representing many of the major areas of internal medicine. We have already filled five of these positions since 1965.

"The plan is to select key young physicians with qualities of leadership and with training in both clinical medicine and basic scientific disciplines to head each of these units.

"It is believed that such a plan will permit each unit head to develop his own investigative and training program. The results of such a plan, it is hoped, will insure a broad range of specialty knowledge within the Hospital that will contribute meaningfully to the education of attending and resident physicians.”

The divisional directors already selected include: Louis V. Avioli, M.D., Lamont Gaston, M.D., Rex L. Jamison, M.D., Manuel E. Kaplan, M.D., and Russell J. Little, Jr., M.D.

These doctors are assisted in their work by research fellows Eric Eekelid, M.D., Alan R. Spivack, M.D., and Stanley Birge, M.D.

Dr. Gaston and Dr. Spivack are engaged in research entitled, “Effects of Chronic Vitamin K Administration on Warfarin Therapy.”

Presently a drug known as Warfarin is used to keep blood from clotting too easily. For some reason, the dosage of Warfarin required to maintain a certain anticoagulation level varies considerably from dose to dose.

As a result, frequent laboratory tests are required to avoid giving the patient an overdose of Warfarin and thus causing bleeding. The researchers hope to determine whether a controlled dietary intake of Vitamin K may cause a more constant Warfarin dosage to be realized.

If so, anticoagulant drugs could be given to the patient with normal laboratory regulation.

In another coagulation-centered study, Dr. Gaston has a long term study on the mechanics of anticoagulation, giving. This is important, disease or venous clotting.

Dr. Avioli is engaged in research entitled “Isotopic Metabolism of Calcium”.

The first studies are bone metabolism with the hope of finding patients with the dominating single bone disease.

The second was the study of a large group of patients with the diagnosis of venous thrombosis.

There exists, a question of the incidence and the number of people who are at risk and the event occurs.

The department is unique, in that it has a research branch in biophysics which is doing work with the physical aspect of the needs of the Department of Medicine as well as available.

Regarding the research activities the Department has engaged in, Dr. Wessler, Venous Thrombus.

The Department of Medicine is not only engaged in important research projects, but also is continually studying new tools and techniques available from all over the world.

One of the most exciting diagnostic instruments to appear recently is the Gastro Camera with fiberscope. This is a tiny camera built into the end of a flexible shaft that can be slipped down the throat into the stomach for taking dramatic color photographs.

Recently, a patient was admitted to the Hospital complaining of vomiting blood. X-Rays showed nothing. The bleeding continued. Doctors decided to try the Gastroscope. They saw and photographed tiny ulcers scattered throughout the stomach. The problem—reaction to anticoagulants.

Dr. Burton Shatz, associate director of Medicine, and chairman of the Gastroenterology Division, said, “Actually, this is the only method for examining the stomach other than X-Ray. The instrument is not meant to replace X-Ray, but to be used in combination with it. Aspects of certain diseases of the stomach can be demonstrated by the Gastroscope that cannot be found by X-Ray. However, the opposite is also true. With the combination of both, a more thorough diagnostic workup of the patient’s problem can be made.”

The tiny camera and accompanying fiber optics were purchased by the Hospital from Olympus Optical Co., Ltd., of Tokyo, Japan, at a cost of $2,500. In the first three months, the instrument was used an average of ten times a month. It is the only one in use in a Saint Louis hospital.

Presently, Dr. Shatz has set up a training program in the use of the instrument for other doctors on the staff. Resident physician JAY B. SHUMAKER, M.D., observes the inside of a patient’s stomach with the Gastro Camera and Fiberscope. The controls on the hand piece allow him to focus the fiberoptic viewer, advance the film in the camera, and fire the tiny electronic flash. The instrument produces color photographs of high quality which aid in diagnosing stomach disorders. Other fiber optic instruments are on the market and the department hopes to obtain them as soon as funds are available.

The flexible fiber optic instrument is about the thickness of an index finger.
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The following contributions are received for research, applications for clinical care, and new equipment. This is a list of contributors under taking, sponsored by the Jewish Hospital Auxiliary.

The following memorial and honorary contributions were received during the period October 1, 1965 to December 31, 1965. Any contributions received after December 1, 1967, will be listed in the next 21st Annual Report.

### Notes
- Contributions to this fund may be made by sending checks, payable to the Jewish Hospital Trust Fund, 6/66 R.L. 1967.
- Contributions for the 21st Annual Report will not be listed until the next 21st Annual Report.
MODERN MEDICINE requires constant updating and purchase of new equipment at Jewish Hospital. One item needed for continuing and expansion of patient care programs is an echocardiograph. This ultrasonic device would be used by the Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Surgery, to detect brain damage caused by tumors, hematomas and other lesions, simply and quickly without pain to the patient.

Cost of the unit is approximately $5500. Further information may be obtained by calling FO 7-8080, extension 215.
vanism, prevention and treatment of thrombosis. Project concerns itself with disorders of blood coagulation, a close relationship to the study of thrombosis. In treatment of patients with coronary artery thrombosis is conducted with drugs that depress platelet aggregation. Two studies involving Vitamin D. One is "Studies in Calcium Metabolism" and the other "Vitamin D in Chronic Renal Disease." Hopefully will lead to a better understanding of health and disease. It concerns itself primarily with Vitamin D and the absorption of calcium in chronic kidney failure. Vitamin D is one of the most factors in the regulation of calcium absorption and man. Dr. Avoli's research project deals with the relation of Vitamin D to skeletal abnormalities and the absorption of calcite into lesions of the bones. Dr. M.D., is conducting research entitled, "Structural Activity of Isohemagglutinins." The purpose of this study is further insight into the basic complex response to antigenic challenge and into the mechanisms whereby alloimmunologically undesirable substances. His research is in the "Role of Stasis and Lipids in the development of arterial disease." Present, no satisfactory technique for the recognition or active thrombotic state in man. One potential approach is the development of a test system by which about to develop a thrombosis can be detected before project utilizes an animal model for which thrombosis may be recognized and quantitated. He is investigating the function of the kidney using isotope techniques. The aim of this work is to investigation of the conservation of water of the kidney. Little, Jr., is conducting research temporarily out of the Jewish Hospital building. The title of his work is "Acids in Antibody Synthesis." He will move his unit when space in the Yale Research Building becomes available. New research facilities, Dr. Wessler commented, additional laboratory facilities will be significantly repletion of the Yale Research Building in early structure will clearly add to our ability to attract more personnel. Tincture bulb next to the camera in the stomach passes as the physician observes the stomach through the scope. The shaft is flexible enough that the physician at the camera-end to view any portion of the stomach, he is seen that the doctor would like to photograph, he fires a tiny electronic flash tube that is situated at the lens, exposing the color film. It is 4mm in size, half the size of the familiar 8mm film. It is wound in a tiny cartridge that is approximately the size of a little fingernail. Twenty-five exposures on each cartridge, taken 25 exposures during an examination. After withdrawn, the film is rewound into the cartridge and then sent to New York for development. This usually takes 2-4 weeks. After development, the film can be projected on a regular projection special film projector. If appropriate, the projector is mounted in a portable cabinet. The film is black and white, but photography through the long tube is essential in determining inflammation and other features. "This instrument could possibly be just the beginning of a series of instruments that could be used for the inspection of the stomach." It can also be used for research as well as diagnosis. Dr. Shatz said, "One of my patients was fascinated with the effect of drugs on him. He wanted to take it home .... it's an automobile engine mechanic. It's great to be able to diagnose engine problems before the engine breaks down."
Creativity For Sale

Auxiliary Clover Projects
Raise Funds for Hospital

MRS. ARTHUR B. BAER, works on a pewter decorated recipe box in her home workshop at 9425 Ladue Road. Mrs. Baer also makes cuff links, earrings, monogrammed key chains, salted forks and spoons, salad bowls, tie bars, tie tacks and letter openers. Many of these items are available in pewter or silver. Monogrammed items are hand painted. Information is available from Mrs. Baer at WY 3-4020.

MRS. SAM LANGSDORF AND MRS. OSCAR BRAND have sold paper and printed items for the Auxiliary since 1956. They have a complete line of cocktail napkins, stationery, informal cards, labels, casual notes, scratch pads, and children’s stationery. Mrs. Langsdorf may be contacted at PA 1-1003; Mrs. Brand at PA 7-3757.

MRS. STEPHEN LOEB, Clover Projects Committee Chairman, recently put many of the products prepared by this Auxiliary Committee on display in the ground floor shadow box at the Jewish Hospital of St. Louis. A complete listing of all projects is published each year in the Auxiliary Clover Book.

There is a special place for those persons in the world whose creative talents take form through individual participation . . .

The Clover Projects Committee is unique. One of the many specialty groups of the Jewish Hospital Women’s Auxiliary, the work of this committee is done on an individual basis. Members of the committee have a specialty to sell . . . decorating apothecary jars or telephone covers, writing programs for special parties, parodies, songs or poems or any other projects. Others make unique portraits and silhouettes upon request; sculpture; antique photographs; pictures framed in velvet; hand-crafted silver; baby identification bracelets and rings.

Hand-knit sweaters and rose petal Afghans are available made-to-order.

Tin pan alley specialists maintain combos for every occasion; one Auxiliary member will provide piano entertainment.

Personalized paper products are available; cocktail napkins, playing cards, wedding and party invitations; matches, paper towels and stationery.

In the Butler’s Pantry there are excellent Cookbooks for sale; “Thoughts for Food,” “Thoughts for Buffet,” and “Thoughts for Festive Food.” An extensive range of Tupperware products for all kitchen purposes can also be purchased from the Pantry.

A number of a la carte suggestions are offered: cheese cake, chocolate icebox cake, doles torte, shrimp gumbo, strudel, and Swedish rye bread.

The Clover Projects Committee members include Mrs. Steven Loeb, chairman; Mrs. Arthur Baer, Mrs. Sam Langsdorf, Mrs. Harry Loeb, Mrs. Robert Mathes, Mrs. Meyer Pankewer, Mrs. Arthur Scharff, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Schneider. Proceeds from the Clover Projects are donated to an emergency nursing fund at Jewish Hospital.

Those persons interested in purchasing any of the specialty items made by the Clover Projects Committee should call the Jewish Hospital Auxiliary, FOrest 7-8080, station 256.

MRS. MEYER PANKEWER of 18 Westwood Country Club Grounds handles identification bracelets. They are available in several styles depending upon the number of lines with 12 karat gold filled links and colors of pink or blue. These bracelets are popular gifts for mothers, grandmothers, children, and teenagers. Delivery time is usually a week to ten days. Mrs. Pankewer may be contacted at HE 2-8582.

MRS. ARTHUR SCHARFF, JR., 77 Lake Forest, prepares another cheese cake at her home. Two sizes are available serving from 8 to 20 persons. Mrs. Scharff needs two or three days advance notice. She prefers to make the cake the day before it is needed. Her telephone number is MI 7-5744.
Ben A'Kiba Aid Society Observes 75th Anniversary

by Lydia Motchan

"What is Jack Paar really like?" was the question without a favorite columnist, Clarissa Start, and my interest antennas shoot out.

The occasion of the 75th Diamond Jubilee Anniversary of the Ben A'Kiba Aid Society presented me an opportunity to hear Clarissa Start, as her celebrity speaker. She certainly did not resemble a bull fighter's costume. She didn't resemble a bull fighter, but she looked familiar. She looked, indeed, very much like the picture of Clarissa Start at the top of her column. Yes, it was Clarissa Start in person.

**What Was She Really Like?**

Let me tell you. Her subject to these ladies was: "Women—Wives and Widows"—a topic she knows first hand on all three counts. As she proceeded through her well planned speech, she made the ladies nod knowingly.

Clarissa Start would definitely be classified as an organized person. A stack of one-inch X 3-inch speech notes, carefully arranged, analytically she methodically finished each card and placed it on the bottom of the pile.

She certainly is an unassuming woman. She wore a simple grey twofold-looking high-down-the-fringe dress, with a white Pilgrimish collar. At the start of her speech, she donned her black rimmed half spectacles—the Ben Franklin kind—and looked over the top of them at her audience.

She spoke of today's women—of the many duties they perform, up to and including the "white tornado" in their kitchens. To this auditorium filled with ladies, and a handful of men, she spoke of today's 30 million working women and today's 8 million widows.

She told the story of the husband who answered the telephone and said: "Sorry, you have the wrong number, but my wife will talk to you anyway." The ladies laughed knowingly.

Her impromptu humor also was evident. Before being introduced by Mrs. Nathan Zonnis—a wonderful green-hatted matriarch of this organization—Mrs. Zonnis read a delightful lemon sponge cake recipe. It was from the era in cook book history where, instead of measuring ingredients by spoonful and cupful, they were counted and put on a scale.

Clarissa's quick reaction to the recipe was: "Well, if she couldn't, or wouldn't, try the recipe because she's only 50,000, and she was going to stay far away from them.

Her speech ended, she removed her half spectacles and was seated. The atmosphere was loud and appreciative.

**The Roof Garden . . . A Bonus For Patients**

The Ben A'Kiba Aid Society has announced a gift of $10,000 to Jewish Hospital for the construction of a roof garden for rehabilitation patients in the Department of Long Term Care.

Dr. Franz U. Steinberg, director of the Department of Long Term Care at Jewish Hospital, looks upon the prospective roof garden as a dream come true—especially for the long term patients.

One pleasant-looking, patient-looking lady sat at the head table, next to my boss. She wore a Spanish-looking black hat, reminiscent of a bull fighter's costume. She didn't resemble a bull fighter, but she looked familiar. She looked, indeed, very much like the picture of Clarissa Start at the top of her column. Yes, it was Clarissa Start in person.

The luncheon affair was dignified by yellow candles and pastel yellow tablecloth. Special ladies wore special orchids. Some wore the past presidents, others the 1967 officers, all excited with their big celebration.

Two head tables, elegant with flowers, were "on stage" in the Shaare Emeth Auditorium. The main speakers' table actually was on the stage. The past presidents' table, situated impressively a few steps below, gave the atmosphere of dignity accorded a United Nations scene.

On the red velvet stage curtain a sparkling sign, reading "75th," added authenticity to the number of years this organization has been in being: 1892-1967.

Some five hundred and more ladies were almost seated when our small group arrived. As an interested visitor my interests were varied. The women of the Ben A'Kiba Aid Society were more than just the name of an organization to me. They are a group of warm and sincere people who are doing, and have done, many amazing things to exemplify the name.

My boss, Mr. David A. Gee, executive director of Jewish Hospital, was there. His part on the program was to bring greetings.

The current project of the Society and the Hospital is the construction of the Ben A'Kiba Aid Society Recreation Roof Garden, where patients will be able to go for an outdoor environment.

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**The Architect's Sketch** of the roof garden now under construction at the Hospital. The roof garden will measure 30 by 60 feet in size and will be located on the first floor of the Hospital next to the Rehabilitation Division.
Jewish Hospital Volunteers Boost Old Newsboys Drive

More than 30 Volunteers from Jewish Hospital raised a record $140,001 for children's agencies in the greater St. Louis area on Old Newsboys Day, held on November 22.

Maintaining a centuries-old spirit, volunteers began selling newspapers shortly before 7 a.m. on all corners surrounding the Hospital. Student nurses also sold the papers within the Hospital.

Old Newsboys who released the largest amounts of money for the charity included Mrs. Helen Moran, Charles Noble and Miss Marilyn Zani, R.N. Many helpful volunteers remained at their posts beyond the scheduled selling time to give added assistance.

The Old Newsboys for the year in the St. Louis area was 75,000. In the past ten years, Old Newsboys have raised more than $195,000 by selling the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

New Orientation Slide Film Is Shown To Employees

New and old employees at Jewish Hospital are now enjoying a tour behind the scenes through the audio-visual aide of a thirty-minute color slide show synchronized sounds track. A very special event took place at Jewish Hospital on the weekend of December 2-3: a first grandchild came into the world ten hours before his uncle, and later both mother and grandmother joined the joy of having given birth to healthy new-born boys.

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