The largest gift ever recorded nationally from a hospital auxiliary—$1 million, was announced by Mrs. Stanley M. Cohen, retiring president, and Mrs. Norman Drey, newly-installed president, at the Auxiliary Annual Spring Meeting. Edward B. Greensfelder, president of the Hospital, commented upon accepting the gift, "The Auxiliary has provided major financial and supportive service to the Hospital and its patients from the time it was founded in 1952. This magnificent gift for our expansion program is further evidence of their dedication and belief in the Hospital’s goal to promote better medical care for the entire St. Louis community."

For the past sixteen years the Hospital Auxiliary has occupied a unique and essential position in the Hospital family. As hospitals become larger and more comprehensive in scope of service, the need for an active auxiliary has increased proportionally. The 3,000 member Auxiliary, the largest in the state of Missouri, provides financial support to numerous areas of the Hospital. These include the Hospital’s celebrated 16-bed Medical Intensive Care Unit; the Department of Otolaryngology’s programs in Audiology and Speech Pathology for sound booths and specialized equipment; a pocket paging system for interns and residents so they can be reached at any time for immediate patient care; an entire Surgical Research Floor in the nine story Yalem Research Building; and redecoration of the Moses Shoenberg Memorial School of Nursing.

The Coffee Shop, Gift Gallery and Clover Garden are given financial support as well as volunteer service as a comfort and convenience service for patient visitors and employees. Equipment is provided for the nurseries and obstetrical division from proceeds received from the Baby First-Foto service.

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Reach to Recovery Volunteer Program Instituted at Hospital

Today Reach to Recovery has grown to 300 chapters in the United States, with 37 foreign countries receiving help. This rapid growth is explained by Mrs. Lasser’s energy and determination to alleviate the suffering and fear of the loss of femininity that accompanies the operation. It is estimated that there are 63,000 women who undergo such operations every year.

Prior to making visits, at the request of the patient’s surgeons, the volunteers are thoroughly screened and trained. Their personal experience and recovery is their primary comfort for the new patient—they become living proof that the operation is only a temporary setback.

Mrs. Helen W. Ross of Shaker Heights, Ohio, a volunteer instructor, has made several visits to the Hospital recently to organize the local chapter which will be under the guidance of Mrs. Gunter Schmidt of the Auxiliary. For further information about the program, call Mrs. Schmidt, VO-3-4450.

Mrs. J. K. Lasser, president of the national organization Reach to Recovery, demonstrates exercised equipment.

Dr. Jamison is Markle Scholar

Rex L. Jamison, M.D., Director Renal Division, Department of Medicine and assistant Professor of Medicine, Washington University School of Medicine is one of 25 medical scientists who have been named Markle scholars by the John and Mary Markle Foundation. Dr. Jamison is also the recipient of a $34,000 Career Development Award from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare for “Studies on Micropunctures on the Mammalian Renal Medulla.”

The aim of this work is to investigate the mechanism of the conservation of water of the kidney. This type of research began in Europe where Dr. Jamison became interested in 1951 when working with a European physiologist. In the United States similar research is being done in Chapel Hill, North Carolina and New York City.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK

May 11-17

Monday
1. Shadow Box Display on National Hospital Week Activities

Tuesday
2. Forest Park Community College Tours

Wednesday
3. Hospital Honors Auxiliary Volunteers
4. Senior Student Nurses—Dinner—Fan Club and Cardinals Ball Game

Thursday
5. Service Awards Tea—100 Employees Honored
6. Community Health Forum Broadcast by KMOX Radio

Other Recognition of National Hospital Week:
1. Faithful Billboard
2. Community Service Spot Announcement—KMOX Radio

Hospital Federation Drive Chairman, Armand F. Jaquier and Ernestine Scott prepare to distribute bread which has the 1969 slogan.

Armand F. Jaquier, Chairman of the Jewish Federation Fund Drive, has announced over-the-top contributions of more than $22,000 for the 1969 Campaign. This is $10,000 over the $12,000 goal.

The Fund Drive began April 14 with a “Kick-Off” meeting for department heads, with Mrs. Ernestine Scott, supervisor in Food Services, serving as co-chairman for the 1969 drive. She reported that the Department of Nursing alone had pledged and collected more than $3,000 from its personnel, and was very pleased with the donations from all departments. She concluded, “I only wish that those who worked so hard could be acknowledged personally for their efforts.”

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$20,000 for Federation Drive

Most hospitals are now well on their way to far surpass its goal of $12,000 for this year. Department heads serving as team captains and the cooperation of many others did much to make this possible.”

Miss Barbara Levy of the Public Relations Department served as Federation Drive secretary for the Hospital.

The income from the Federation is used to partially defray costs of providing care for needy patients and to support the medical and surgical teaching programs, the Chronic Disease Division, Aaron Baldheim Clinics, Department of Psychiatry and the Home Care Division.

Recipe of the Week

Tribute Fund which provides re...
A "lack of communications is not our problem," smiled Mrs. Sondra Gann, Communications Supervisor, who is in charge of the mail room, switchboards, and the information desk.

"We have 22 employees in communications," she explains, "fulfilling more tasks than one would expect.

"For instance, the information desk, which is handled by Mrs. Mary Krausyn, has an average of 64 inqueries per hour. The information desk clerk also marks the 'condition reports' on a patient card index and, in addition, routes patients' mail. We consider ourselves lucky when we have an Auxiliary volunteer to help out," says amiable Sondra.

Mailroom

In discussing the mailroom, Son-

dra says, "One day we took a mail count, just to get an idea of what the average mail load is. Including in-

coming and outgoing mail there were 4500 pieces. It is not unusual for one department alone to bring in 5000 envelopes to be mailed.

Two mail room clerks - Miss Mary Grace Michael and Mrs. Rosemary Jackson sort and deliver incoming mail twice daily as well as deliver mail addressed to patients to vari-

ous nursing stations in the building. Mail room clerks also operate the addressograph for all departments; deliver admission sheets and oper-

ating room schedules to nursing stations; handle telephone requisi-

tions, and keep records of the postage due account with the post office as well as the permit mail.

Sondra has been with the Hospital since January, 1968 and looks back on a 20-year career which has al-

ways centered around the commu-

nications field. "Hospital switch-

board operators must necessarily be more diplomatic than any other, I am sure," thinks Sondra, "because we have a public service to perform, whereas in industry there is not always that element."

Besides her regular duties, one of her current jobs is a special pilot endeavor to train nursing super-

visors as P.B.X. operators, as an emergency measure. "Since they are already familiar with Hospital nurs-

ing stations, physicians, and gen-

eral Hospital procedures, it makes my task much easier," she ex-

plains, "whereas normally an op-

erator would have to be trained eight weeks at the telephone company."

Switchboard

"Our switchboard is controlled by four operators and each girl takes care of 16 lines. The 'message center' operator can put her finger on the time a physician enters and leaves the building. In case of urgency she can page the nursing stations or have a doctor's assigned number light on special panels throughout the building to contact him."

The flashing numbers, displayed at key areas in the Hospital cor-

ridors, are color-coded with white for visiting doctors and green for house staff.

During 1968 there were 286,000 messages received for physicians alone.

"There are 86 'beepers'-other-

wise known as Multitone pocket radio receivers-which are carried by members of the house staff and designated Hospital personnel." Son
da keeps a set of tiny jewelers' radio receivers-which are carried in the department are: Miss Beverly McKeer, Mrs. Margaret Hanebrink, Mrs. Maxine Hanebrink, Mrs. Pat Deans, Mrs. Fanny Finkelstein, Mrs. Ester Finkelstein, Mrs. Helen Menon, Miss Ella Oettinger, Mrs. Thrua Quillinan, Miss Ethel Ryan, Mrs. Opal Sherrill (on maternity leave), and Mrs. Eleanor Sweeney.

Miss Mary Grace Michael sorts the volume of daily mail which is routed to departments and patients.

Mrs. Fanny Finkelstein checks the patient information index to an-

swer a telephone inquiry.

alarms for freezers that are also our responsibility. "One of our switchboard employ-
ees, Mrs. Margaret Hanebrink, has been with the Hospital for 23 years," says Sondra. Mrs. Mary Sargent, who has been with the Hospital for over five years, remarked, "Most people whom we meet over the telephone are extremely courteous," and its enjoyable talking with them. It's really nice to work with the visiting house doctors and house staff."

Other P.B.X. operators who work in the department are: Miss Beverly Bricekey, Mrs. Pat Deans, Mrs. Fanny Finkelstein, Mrs. Ester Finkelstein, Mrs. Helen Menon, Miss Ella Oettinger, Mrs. Thrua Quillinan, Miss Ethel Ryan, Mrs. Opal Sherrill (on maternity leave), and Mrs. Eleanor Sweeney.

Evening and part time clerks are Miss Ann Black, Miss Peggy Dodd, Miss Mary Beth Duerfeldt, Miss Era Krainer, and Miss Pat Wild. There is also a police radio in the communications department. "It is good in case of an earthquake or a tornado," advises Mrs. Gann, "to keep us informed on how extensive any damage might be elsewhere."

Gold Coats
Brighten Staff

Min Donna Hadler, an employee in the Department of Medical Rec-
ords, models the new gold colored professional coat which the 20

women in her department are now wearing. Mrs. Evelyn Whitlock, R.R.L., is director of the Depart-

ment.
**Medical Staff**

Gunter Schmidt, D.D.S., attended a meeting of the American Academy of Oral Medicine in New York City, March 12-13. The subject of the workshop was the nationalization of the Academy. Dr. Schmidt was elected chairman of the Committee on Internal Reorganization.

Lester S. Garfinkel, M.D., co-authored a paper with Dr. Dale E. Bennett entitled "Extramammary Myeloblastic Transformation in Chronic Myelocytic Leukemia with Co-existent Malignant Lymphoma," which was published in the *American Journal of Clinical Pathology* (Vol. 51, No. 5). Dr. Garfinkel gave a speech on "Soft Tissue Tumors" at the 83rd Annual Professional Program of Ellis Fischel Cancer Hospital in Columbia, Missouri. Earlier this year, Dr. Garfinkel attended a joint meeting of the American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute on "Breast Cancer" in Washington, D.C., May 8-10. Dr. Garfinkel is assistant professor of medicine at the University of Missouri School of Medicine in Columbia.

Thomas Schiff, D.M.D., co-authored a paper with K. J. Shaver, Ph.D., entitled "Oral Clinical Functionality of Enzyme AP Used as a Mouthwash" which was presented at the International Association of Dental Research meeting in Houston, March 22. Dr. Schiff gave a speech at the meeting entitled "Surface Changes Caused by Different Dentifrice Abrasives on Gold Restorations."

Seymour Montz, M.D., has served as president of the St. Louis Gynecological Society from June 1968-June 1969.

Jerome S. Grosby, D.D.S., co-authored a paper with U. Magboo, D.D.S., and Marcy A. Goldstein, M.D., for the *Journal of Oral Medicine* entitled "Chronic Disfiguring Ulcers Involving Left Mandibular Ramus with Pathological Fracture" (case report), which was published, October 1969 (Vol. 3, No. 4). Dr. Grosby attended a continuing education course on "Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation" presented by the American Heart Association and American Red Cross in Chicago, April 24-25. Dr. Grosby is attending a continuing education course on "Diagnostic Cardiology" being presented by the St. Louis Heart Association January 8-May 28.

Harold A. Franklin, M.D., attended a meeting of the American College of Cardiology in New York City, February 26-March 2.

Llewellyn Sale, Jr., M.D., attended a convention of the Central College Health Association in Lincoln, Nebraska, March 21-22. The theme of the meeting was "Injury Prevention Program." Dr. Sale was elected president of the Association for 1969-70.

M. D. Marcus, M.D., attended the organizational meeting of the Missouri State Dermatological Society on March 23 in St. Louis. Dr. Marcus was elected president of the Society.

Melvin Rubenstein, M.D., associate attending psychiatrist in the Department of Psychiatry, was a speaker at the Central Regional Child Welfare Conference of America's annual conference in Pittsburgh, March 14. The object of his lecture was "The Changing American Family and What This Does to Traditional Child Welfare Services and to Children in Their Own Homes." Dr. Rubenstein is also a psychiatric consultant for child welfare programs in St. Louis and Illinois.

Jacob Stolar, M.D., and Herbert Silver, M.D., director of the Blood Bank and hematology division of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, co-authored a paper which appeared in the *Journal of Diseases of Colon and Rectum* entitled "Differentiation of Pseudoinflammatory Colloid Carcinoma from Colitis Cystica Profunda," January-February, 1969 (Vol. 31, No. 1). This paper was also presented at the conference of the American Proctologic Society in Denver, June, 1969.

Sidney Goldenberg, M.D., attended a meeting of the New York University Medical School on "Cardiac Auscultation" in New York City, April 14-15. Dr. Goldenberg has been appointed camp physician for the Boy Scouts of America and has been named camp physician for the Boy Scouts of America National Jamboree, which will be held in Farragut, Idaho, July 16-22.

Elizabeth Levy, M.D., spoke on "Psychiatric Aspects of Aging" at a meeting of the District Nurses Association at the Regency Nursing Home in St. Louis on March 5.

Simon L. Baumgarten, D.D.S., was elected president of Washington University Dental Alumni Association effective March, 1969-70.

Alex C. Sommerswith, Ph.D., presented a paper entitled "Venous enterolocytic as an etiologic agent in menigitis" at the National Meeting of the American Society for Microbiology, May 6, 1969, in Miami Beach, Florida. He also delivered, at the same meeting, a paper written with Dr. J. C. Sherris of the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, on "Responsibility of the laboratory and its interactions with the clinician" at the Symposium on the Role of Clinical Microbiology in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Patients. Finally, Dr. Sommerswith gave a paper on "Antigenic investigations of Bacteroides" at the Symposium on Gram-negative Anaerobic Bacteriaceae at the same meeting.

B. Y. Glassberg, M.D., spoke at the Family Planning Association in Hong Kong on March 7 on the subject of "Counseling the Displaced Refugee Family." Dr. Glassberg conferred with Family Life Specialists Dr. Pema Bali in Delhi, India on marriage counseling, and with Dr. Jacob Osiamo in Manila, Philippines on adolescent problems.


**Dr. Sherman Director of New Diagnostic Clotting Laboratory**

The Jewish Hospital Department of Medicine has announced a new comprehensive diagnostic clotting laboratory for the evaluation of bleeding disorders. Officials of the Department explain that in addition to performing routine clotting tests for Hospital patients, the new unit will be the most complex and integrated clinical coagulation laboratory in the St. Louis area. According to Dr. Laurence A. Sherman, M.D., director, the laboratory "will be so staffed that the blood of area patients with complicated or emergent bleeding problems can be tested and analyzed to establish diagnoses and to guide treatment."

It is planned that the new laboratory will include a "reference library" of blood samples from patients with unusual bleeding disorders, so that newly recognized bleeding disorders can be matched with samples already on hand. The laboratory will also play an important role for complicated cardiac surgery and difficult obstetrical and cancer cases. The laboratory will be located on the third floor of the new nine story Yalem Research Building.

Dr. Sherman, the director, is a graduate of the University of Chicago and the Albany Medical College of Union University. Dr. Sherman was born in Boston and is currently completing his last year of residency in internal medicine at Barnes Hospital. He has devoted two years to research of blood clotting problems at Washington University's Medical School, working with Dr. Sol Sherry, former Physician-in-Chief at Jewish Hospital and now head of the Department of Medicine at Temple University in Philadelphia.

"At the present time," Dr. Sherman explained, "there is no central laboratory in St. Louis for the evaluation of clinical bleeding disorders. Having a central laboratory will make emergency coverage available with faster diagnoses." Dr. Sherman said that the facility will be available to all institutions in the Washington University Medical School complex. He expects the laboratory to begin operation in the fall and to be fully operational by the beginning of next year.

**Washington University Appointments**

**Appointments Approved**

The Hospital Board of Directors has approved the following new appointments, at its March 20, 1969 meeting.

- In the Department of Medicine, Louis V. Avioli, M.D., has been named consultant to the division of nuclear medicine; Leonard N. Tewmark, M.D., assistant in the division of internal medicine; and William Parker, M.D., promoted from assistant attending dermatologist to associate attending dermatologist, division of dermatology.
- In the Department of Psychiatry—Doris C. Gilpin, M.D., and Elizabeth H. Levy, M.D., have been named assistants.
- Department of Otolaryngology—Herbert A. Leeper, Jr., M.D., has been named associate.
- Department of Surgery—James B. Brown, M.D., has advanced to the emeritus staff.

**Promoted at Medical School**

Ee Thye Yin, an investigator in the Department of Medicine, has been promoted to the rank of Research Assistant, Professor of Medicine at the Washington University School of Medicine. Mr. Yin joined the Hospital in 1965.

- Six Jewish Hospital staff physicians have been promoted to the rank of assistant professor of clinical medicine at Washington University School of Medicine. The appointments were made based on their contributions at both Jewish Hospital and Barnes Hospital. Left to right are: Benjamin Borowsky, M.D., Sidney Jick, M.D., Herbert B. Zimmerman, M.D., Robert S. Mendelson, M.D., and Alvin S. Wennek, M.D.
Pauline Whiston is a five-year-old paraplegic patient who underwent an intensive rehabilitation program which culminated in her being able to walk successfully with forearm crutches.

Dr. Arnold Goldman is examining a home care patient and discussing the purpose of the home visit as part of their training program.

In keeping with its tradition of meeting needs, Jewish Hospital provides extensive community services through evaluation, therapy and research. Many of these services include free care for those persons in the area who cannot afford to pay for them.

In 1968 $1.6 million was spent to provide health care for indigent patients of all faiths. The United Fund and Jewish Federation contributed 40% of this amount, while the remaining 60% is derived from the Hospital's operating income and endowments.

Long Term Care

The Department of Long Term Care performs significant community services. Its Divisions of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation take care of many patients from the metropolitan area as well as out of state areas of Illinois and Missouri. Through restorative programs of the inpatient and outpatient service, disabled patients are saved many days of hospitalization. Many of them are restored to independent living with their families and are able to return to remunerative work.

The pioneering Home Care Program of the Department of Long Term Care offers care and service to patients in the familiar surroundings of their own homes at a greatly reduced cost. It has served as a model for nationwide programs which are now encouraged by Medicare legislation. The Home Care Program has an average daily census of 81 patients and provides more than 30,000 days per year. It has been estimated nationally that only 1/10 of the number of patients who need home care are now being served by our cities. In 1968 Jewish Hospital served 1,149 St. Louis patients through this program.

Because of the achievements in Home Care, Jewish Hospital now serves as one of the Public Health Service Regional Home Care Training Centers, a unit which trains health leaders from all over the country in developing their own community programs of extended care.

Audiology and Speech Pathology

Through the Division of Speech Pathology the Hospital provides comprehensive evaluation and treatment for children in the Eastern half of the State suffering from cleft palate. More than 900 persons in the area have cleft palate. Of this number, 400 are children. Jewish Hospital serves 60 of these children (or 15% of those needing care). This two year old program will be expanded further to meet the demands of the community.

In addition, the Division of Speech Pathology, in conjunction with the Central Institute for the Deaf, held a summer camp program for cleft palate children in 1968 which was funded by the Missouri Crippled Children's Service. During 1969 this program will be doubled to ac-
to Progress

Miss Kathy McCarren, M.A., Research Associate, division of audiology, Department of Otolaryngology, operates the new averaging computer which was purchased with funds donated by the Auxiliary. Approximately fifteen children with auditory problems compounded by suspected psychologic and/or neurologic disorders are referred to the division of audiology for this Averaged Electroencephalic Audiometry (AEA) test each month.

Problems with two student nurses who are making

accommodate the many children who have requested participation.

The Division has also received a grant from the Department of Education to study "Voice Disorders in School Age Children." The project involves screening 30,000 St. Louis area children for detection of speech disorders. In addition to the screening and therapy program, the grant provides for training and demonstration of the techniques developed in the Jewish Hospital program so that speech pathologists throughout the country can be kept current on developments in diagnostic and therapy for voice disorders.

Other Community Programs

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology maintains a Public Health Service Cancer Detection Program which is available to all indigent women in the St. Louis area. More than 3,000 women take advantage of this service each year.

The Department of Dentistry has extended its benefits beyond the Hospital walls by setting up a free dental clinic for children suffering from cerebral palsy. Other retarded and underprivileged children from Missouri and Illinois are seen in the Hospital. Approximately 40 handicapped children undergo oral surgery at the Hospital each year. 200 more are treated in the outpatient clinic.

The Medical Care Research Center, established originally as a cooperative effort of the Social Science Institute and Jewish Hospital, is now linked with the St. Louis County Health Department and the St. Louis University School of Medicine. With headquarters at the Hospital, it has undertaken some forty projects: the development of two community laboratories; a medical education project; a series of gerontological investigations; and studies concerned with preventive medicine services for different population groups.

In addition to the services and involvement already mentioned, an understanding of the total impact which the Hospital has on the health care of the community requires some statistical overview. In 1968:

- More than 15,700 patients were admitted to the 530 private beds and wards.
- Outpatient clinic and emergency rooms took care of 39,000 patient visits.
- 528,220 laboratory examinations were performed.
- 8,000 surgical operations were performed.
- 52,500 radiologic procedures were done.

As a major teaching affiliate of Washington University's Medical School, all of these community service programs enhance Jewish Hospital's role as a university hospital in implementing its philosophy of comprehensive service to the total community.

Herbert A. Leeper, Jr., Ph.D., speech pathologist, division of speech pathology, Department of Otolaryngology, records four-year-old Maureen Kelly's voice for acoustic analysis. With funds from a Federal Grant from the Department of Education, the division screens 30,000 St. Louis area children for detection of speech disorders.
Doctor's Day Reception

Physicians at Jewish Hospital were honored at a reception in the M.A.C. Room on March 27, as a Doctor's Day tribute by three sponsoring organizations—the Auxiliary, the Associates of The Jewish Hospital of St. Louis and the Board of Directors of the Hospital.

Members of the three Boards were on hand to greet the guests. Hosts and hostesses included Edward B. Greensfelder, president of the Hospital, David A. Gee, executive director, Mrs. Stanley M. Cohen, president of the Auxiliary, and Julian L. Meyer, president of the Associates.

The Auxiliary also provided new medical books to the Medical Library in honor of the occasion.

Coulter Counter Model S
First in St. Louis Area

The Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine has recently acquired the first Coulter Counter Model S in the greater St. Louis area. This push button unit provides seven different blood determinations in 40 seconds.

According to Herbert Silver, M.D., director, Hematology and Blood Bank, “One technician using this instrument can now accomplish in two hours what formerly took two technicians eight hours each. This will result in expanded services. All routine blood work is now completed and available to physicians soon after a patient is admitted to the Hospital; heretofore results of blood determinations often were not available until the day after a patient was admitted.

The Coulter Counter Model S performs red counts, white counts, hemoglobin and hematocrit, in addition to the determination of the values for the mean corpuscular volume, mean corpuscular hemoglobin, and mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration. These values are important in the evaluation of such diseases as anemia, and will be supplied at no additional cost to the patient.

Israel Hosts Sonnenwirth

Dr. Alex C. Sonnenwirth, Director, division of microbiology, was invited by Dr. T. G. Sacks, Chairman of the Department of Medical Bacteriology of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, Jerusalem, to deliver two lectures in February at the Medical School, and to spend some time in the bacteriology laboratories of the school.

Titles of the lectures were: “The newer classification of Enterobacteriaceae and Pasteurella and its clinical significance” and “Anaerobic infection with special references to Bacteroides and other non-spore-forming anaerobes.”

Dr. Sonnenwirth, accompanied on the trip by his wife, Rosalie, left for Israel via El Al Israel Airlines. “After delivering the lectures,” remarks Dr. Sonnenwirth, “and spending another two days in the laboratories of the Department of Medical Bacteriology in Jerusalem, we met six of my first cousins whom I had not seen in more than 25 years... and then toured the country for two weeks, from ‘Dan to Beer-Sheva,’ as the biblical phrase goes.

"Among the many people we met were Dr. and Mrs. Warren Jacobsohn. On Purim, when the biblical book of Esther is read, we enjoyed a festive meal with them. Dr. Jacobsohn is a member of the staff of Jewish Hospital on a leave of absence, and presently residing in Jerusalem.

“We were much inspired,” says Dr. Sonnenwirth, “by the Hadassah Medical School and Hospital, its up-to-date facilities, and its dedicated personnel who continued without interruption to treat patients, including war casualties, during the six-day war. But, most of all, we were impressed with the tremendous vitality, determination, and fortitude of the Israelis, who continue to develop the country in the face of many hardships.”

The Jewish Hospital division of microbiology has been named one of ten referee laboratories to participate in a national proficiency testing program.
Auxiliary Spring Meeting

The Auxiliary Spring Meeting was held in the Khorasson Room at the Chase Hotel on May 1. New officers were installed by Mrs. Irvin Bettman, Jr. for a term of two years. New Directors, who will serve for three years are: Mrs. Kenneth Marshall, Mrs. Donald Quicksilver and Mrs. David Sher. Guest speaker at the meeting was Barbara Walters, star of NBC’s “Today” show.

New officers of the Auxiliary are (left to right), Mrs. Irwin Jarett, Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Steiner, Financial Secretary; Mrs. Arthur Burman, Assistant Recording Secretary; Mrs. Ralph Lowenbaum III, Vice President Volunteer Services; Mrs. Thomas Berger, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Norman W. Drey, President; Mrs. Harry Rosenberg, Recording Secretary; Mrs. M. Erwin Bry, Vice President—Membership Services; Mrs. Robert Levisohn, Vice President—Fund Raising Services; Mrs. Eugene Schweig, Jr., Treasurer; Mrs. Charles Fendell, Financial Advisor. (Not pictured: Mrs. Donald Dickler, Assistant Financial Secretary, and Mrs. Roswell Messing, III, Assistant Corresponding Secretary.)

Posing with Miss Barbara Walters are (left to right), Edward B. Greensfelder, hospital president; Mrs. Stanley M. Cohen, outgoing president of the Auxiliary; Miss Walters; Mrs. Norman W. Drey, president; and Mrs. Donald Quicksilver, program chairman.

Associates First Annual Meeting

The first annual dinner of the Associates of The Jewish Hospital was held on April 22 in the Moses Shoenberg Memorial School of Nursing Gymnasium, with more than 200 members attending.

The guest speaker was Mark Berke, President-elect of the American Hospital Association and executive director of Mount Zion Hospital and Medical Center, San Francisco, whose topic was “What Makes a Good Hospital.” A reactor panel, consisting of Stanford Wesler, M.D., Physician-in-Chief, Morris Alex, M.D., president of the Medical Staff Association, and David A. Gee, executive director, then discussed with Mr. Berke “What Makes Jewish Hospital a Good Hospital.”

Mark Berke (at microphone) describes the elements of a good hospital to members of the Associates. Participating in the discussion are (left to right): Morris Alex, M.D., president of the Medical Staff Association; Stanford Wesler, M.D., Physician-in-Chief; and David A. Gee, executive director.

Opening remarks are given by Mark Berke; Louis I. Zorenzky, program chairman, is seated left.

St. Louis hospital administrators were invited to meet Mr. Berke at a reception prior to the Associates’ Annual Dinner. Chatting informally are: (left to right) Gerald Malloy, executive director, Hospital Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; Anthony L. Bunker, Administrator, DePaul Hospital; Miss Margaret Loh, R.N., director of nursing, Jewish Hospital; and Sister Mary Isidore Lennon, R.N., Administrator, St. John’s Mercy Hospital.
New Method of Treatment
A First in St. Louis Area

For Harold Zager, a hemophilic since birth, the internal bleeding caused by his ulcerous stomach was a critically dangerous matter. Each year Zager required an average of 350 units of a coagulant factor extracted from blood and administered in concentrated doses. Yet in the face of seemingly insurmountable problems, a successful operation, in which 65% of his stomach was removed, took place.

Prior to last August there was a high mortality rate whenever this operation was performed, due to uncontrollable hemorrhaging, and in Zager’s case this danger was particularly acute. In addition, Glycine-Precipitate, a compound of the blood basically containing Factor 8, was not available. There are a total of 12 clotting factors in the blood; Zager lacked the important Factor 8. Fortunately for him, Glycine-Precipitate became available seven months before his operation in March.

Zager’s four-hour operation was performed by Sam Schneider, M.D. It was prompted when a careful review of x-rays taken over several years revealed an abnormally thought to represent a bleeding point in the lower part of the stomach.

A team of physicians were involved in the success of the operation. It included Harold A. Agress, M.D., attending physician in Internal Medicine who is an internist specializing in hematology; Dr. Schneider, associate attending surgeon in General Surgery; Lamont Gaston, M.D., senior attending physician in Internal Medicine and associate director of the Department of Medicine; and a gastroenterologist.

Dr. Shatz spoke about the newer developments which made the operation feasible at this time. “In normal individuals with gastro-intestinal bleeding, more than 90% stop spontaneous bleeding without a surgical procedure being necessary. With the introduction of new methods of treatment, patients with hemophilia can be treated in the same fashion as normal individuals and operations can be performed when indicated.”

Dr. Gaston said that at the present time it is possible to turn severe hemophilia patients into normal individuals for periods of from 10 days to two months by the injection of anti-hemophilic concentrates.

Zager, who is a stock broker with Kohlmeyer and Co., is married and the father of two children.

"216" Named Best Publication

The Hospital newspaper, "216" was selected as "Publication of the Month" for February, 1969 by the Industrial Press Association of Greater St. Louis.

Accompanying the IPA certificate, a letter addressed to Mrs. Lydia Motchom, editor, read: “Content, overall readability, attractiveness of layout and clarity of pictures were the bases for the selection of Jewish Hospital’s "216" as the best February newspaper effort by a St. Louis IPA member.

"The central spread feature on the Central Medical and Surgical Supply Department, the Awards Committee felt, surely achieved a maximum, positive impact on the employee public at Jewish Hospital and, coupled with the balanced coverage of other activities in and around the hospital, made for a most excellent issue.”

Gifts

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Lewin have donated $5,000 to the Hospital to establish a memorial research endowment in memory of Mrs. Lewin’s parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Frank. The income from this endowment will be used to support cancer and heart research at the Hospital.

Mrs. Sam S. Simon recently donated $2,000 to the Hospital for the Sam S. Simon Blood Research Fund. This fund was established in 1965 as a memorial to the late Mr. Simon and has provided valuable support for research projects in the Department of Medicine.

Ben A’Kiba Announces Gift to Equip Gymnasium

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Grants to Department Heads

Dr. Wessely Grant

Stanford Wessely, M.D., Physician-In-Chief and John and Adeline Simon Professor of Medicine at Washington University has received a research grant of $62,469 from the National Heart Institute to support an investigation of the relation of blood flow and fatty substances to the formation of clots in veins. Dr. Thye Yin, an associate in the Department of Medicine and Research Assistant Professor of Medicine at Washington University, is associate director of the research project.

Dr. Senturia Grant

The Research Fund of the American Otolaryngological Society, Inc. has awarded a grant for a second year to Ben H. Senturia, M.D., director, Department of Otolaryngology, for his work “Correlative Radiographic and Histopathologic Study of Normal and Diseased Temporal Bones.” This grant is being carried on in conjunction with Professor Juan M. Taveras, director, and members of the staff, the Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, Washington University School of Medicine.