Recent Staff Changes Announced

Dr. Thomas N. James, since 1958 with the Division of Cardiovascular Diseases, has been appointed as Professor of Medicine and Professor of Pathology at the University of Alabama Medical Center, Birmingham. He was in residency at the Henry Ford Hospital from 1950-54 and from 1958 to 1968 served as chairman of the section of Cardiovascular Research. His well-known research has contributed importantly to our knowledge of the anatomy of coronary artery circulation in animals and man, anatomy, physiology and pathology of the human sinus node and conduction systems, and the effects of pharmacologic agents on these systems.

Dr. John C. Tomlinson, associate in the Division of Cardiology for the past three years, has accepted an appointment with the Troutman and Denham Clinic in Louisville, Kentucky, joining several HFH alumni internists, including Drs. Ralph M. Denham, Donald H. Mosley, and Henry W. Post.

Dr. Melvern A. Ayers, department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, has been appointed director of Obstetrics and Gynecology in a joint residency program at Maumee Valley Hospital and St. Vincent Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. He will also serve as an Associate Clinical Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Medical College of Ohio at Toledo. Dr. Ayers came to HFH in 1957 as intern, served his residency here from 1958 to 1962, and from 1962 through 1968 served on the permanent staff.

Dr. John H. Wylie, chief of General Surgery Division VI, has entered private practice in Okemos, Michigan. He had been at the hospital since 1958. Dr. Thomas A. Fox has succeeded him as chief of the division.

Named as an assistant surgeon in Division II, Department of General Surgery, is Dr. John H. Hageman. He came to HFH last year as a fifth year resident.

Appointed as associate surgeon in General Surgery, Division V, is Dr. Walter J. Heichman who was formerly in private practice in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Dr. F. R. Neher, formerly an associate in the Emergency Clinic, is now in the Preventive Medicine division. Awaiting citizenship and license, Dr. Kian H. Wong will also join the permanent staff in Preventive Medicine.

Dr. John W. Balian, Department of Ophthalmology, has entered private practice in Rochester, Michigan. Other staff departures from Ophthalmology include Dr. Edwin H. Bennett, who has entered private practice in Worcester, Mass.; Dr. G. Shetisky (Sheldon), in private practice in Mt. Royal, Quebec, Canada, and Dr. Peter G.

Alumni Evaluate Residency Program

All alumni of Henry Ford Hospital's graduate medical education programs have received a confidential questionnaire which seeks to evaluate the quality of HFH residency training.

The questionnaires were sent to the alumni mailing list of the Henry Ford Hospital Medical Journal. Responses are especially sought from those who completed residencies in the last five years, although all replies will be welcome. The information will help the staff assess the strengths and weaknesses of residency training, indicating the direction of needed improvements.

Although compiled as 26 questions with various optional answers, the questionnaire also welcomes individual remarks and narrative commentary. The areas of residency experience covered by the survey include teaching, research opportunities, resident responsibilities, physical facilities, personal relationships, and the principal strengths and weaknesses of the HFH program.

Harold M. Frost, M.D. has been appointed by the Advisory Board as chairman of the ad hoc committee for residency evaluation, with Alexander P. Kelly, Jr., M.D., and Bruce W. Steinhauser, M.D., as committee members.
New Procedure Speeds Patient Turnover

A patient discharge hour of 10:30 a.m., now in effect at the Hospital, has reduced by half the elapsed time between writing of discharge orders for a departing patient to issuing initial orders for a new arrival.

Studying the network of operations involved, the HFH industrial engineering office charted a more efficient work flow which reassigned a number of duties among various departments and divisions. Under the revised system, scheduled patients are arriving in early afternoon and most are admitted by 2 p.m.

To formulate and implement other measures aimed at improved inpatient care, a 22-member steering committee has been formed and designated TEAM. Meeting weekly, the committee functions to evaluate and motivate programs and proposals in the nursing department. Currently under study are problems in personnel scheduling, working relationships and plans for a minimal care unit.

Miss Helen Harper, director of the Department of Nursing, is chairman of the committee which includes members of the professional and administrative staffs, nurses, attendants, ward clerks and supervisors.

Booklet Describes HFH Education Programs

A completely revised manual describing graduate medical education at Henry Ford Hospital came off the presses last month, and is being mailed to prospective interns and residents making inquiries of the hospital.

Printed in two-color and profusely illustrated, the 44-page book was edited and written by Dr. William S. Haubrich, chairman of the intern committee, and Mrs. Enisse Chimes, managing editor of the Publications Office. Photos and artwork were done by the Photography and Medical Art Department.

The contents include complete descriptions of the internships and residencies available at HFH and the education opportunities offered by the Edsel B. Ford Institute for Medical Research, the School of Nursing and other paramedical units. A four-page center section provides current specific information on applications, interviews, compensation and other facts. Of general interest are chapters reviewing the history of the hospital and the attractions of the Detroit area.

Rheumatologists in Print

The cry of "author, author" will get numerous responses in the HFH Rheumatology Department this year. Dr. Gilbert Bluhm, associate physician, is one of 14 consulting editors who have been named to Tice's Practice of Medicine, a 20-volume looseleaf text book now undergoing extensive revision. He will edit the section on connective tissue diseases.

Dr. Howard Duncan, also of Rheumatology, will edit the section on metabolic bone disease. Other HFH staffers who are contributing chapters for the books include: Dr. Clarence E. Rupe, Dr. John W. Sigler, Dr. Robert Arnstein and Dr. Harold Frost. Dr. Geoffrey L. Brinkman, an alumnus of the hospital, has also served as a contributor to the Tice volumes.

Dr. Duncan is also preparing a guest symposium on "Ankylosing Spondylitis" for a forthcoming issue of Clinical Orthopedics and Related Research, of which he was recently named associate editor. Dr. Harold Frost, Chairman of the Department of Orthopedic Surgery, is also an associate editor of the publication.

Internship Program Is Expanded

An expanded program of internship and residencies is now being offered at Henry Ford Hospital with opportunity to develop skills in various subspecialty fields leading to qualification for certification by American Boards.

Robert H. High, M.D., chairman of the Department of Pediatrics, has instituted a straight internship in pediatrics which incorporates many of the features of a first year residency. Following such an internship, residents would undertake more specialized training during their third postgraduate year. The department offers both two and three-year residency programs, involving both inpatient and outpatient experience and responsibility. Although the third year is not a requirement, the HFH program includes optional additional training with emphasis on the individual's special interests. This is in line with the recent recommendation by the American Board of Pediatrics that physicians advancing from a rotating internship take a third year of pediatric training.

The Department of Medicine, of which Richmond W. Smith, Jr., M.D., is chairman, will offer a straight internship in internal
medicine beginning next July to a limited number of applicants. Straight internships are also offered in surgery under the chairmanship of D. Emerick Szilagyi, M.D. All provide a minimum of eight months' assignment to the specialty and its correlated service with some election of assignments permitted for the remaining four months of the year.

Under the new program, the Departments of Medicine and Pediatrics are cooperating in a joint training program leading to eligibility for examination by both the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Pediatrics.

The HFH graduate program continues to emphasize a rotating internship with opportunities to concentrate in any of a broad variety of fields in which the intern chooses to continue his residency training. This rotating internship, with a current policy of flexible scheduling, provides a broad base on which the intern can build his postgraduate program.

Therapeutic Radiology
In New Location

With final installation of the new betatron and delivery of equipment for the tumor localization room, the expanded Therapeutic Radiology Division is now fully operational in its new location—the basement of the recently-constructed General Services Building.

The Swiss made Brown-Bovari betatron yields high energy x-rays which can deliver doses of radiation equal to 35 million volts to malignant tumors. Coordinated with the betatron are a Japanese tomographic instrument which can produce transverse tomographs, and a treatment simulator which utilizes television fluoroscopy to localize accurately those structures affected by the irradiation.

The new 10,000 square foot area includes five examining rooms, three equipped with closed circuit TV, five doctors' offices, a residents' room, technicians' lounge, dressing rooms, and a large, handsomely-furnished reception room.

Of the more than 40 daily high energy radiation treatments now administered, about half are still being done in the K-3 location until the cobalt machines can be moved to the new building in a few weeks. The patient load for the betatron is expected to reach 15-20 daily treatments by the end of the year, according to Robert J. Bloor, M.D., chief of the division, whose offices are also now in the new location.

Diagnostic x-ray and radioisotope services remain in the Clinic Building. Students in the school of radiologic technology serve in both divisions during training.

"OSTEOPOROSIS" Wins Another Film Prize

A film produced by Dr. Richmond W. Smith, Jr., Chairman of the Department of Medicine, has been named the official United States medical entrant in all appropriate European film festivals. This new honor resulted from selection of the film last spring for the CINE Golden Eagle award presented by the Council of International Nontheatrical Events. CINE is a semi-governmental group composed of the American Film Institute and the United States Information Agency.

Titled "Osteoporosis," the film had earlier received the Chris Certificate, the highest award in the health, safety and medical category at the Columbus (Ohio) film festival.

Dr. Smith produced the film under the sponsorship of Sandoz Pharmaceuticals, using the technical facilities of the Walter Landor Studios of San Francisco. Dr. Harold Frost, chairman of the HFH Department of Orthopedics, also participated in the production.

E.B.F.I. Gets Math and Computer Unit

A new department of Biological Mathematics and Computer Sciences has been established in the Edsel B. Ford Institute for Medical Research, with Jack C. Guyton, M.D., as chairman. Dr. Guyton is also chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology.

The department will provide mathematical and computer support for the clinical and basic research being carried out by members of the HFH and EBFl medical and research staffs. Assistance is provided investigators in the design and implementation of experiments requiring statistical analysis.

Serving in the department are Richard M. Lee, Ph.D.; Wilbur R. McCrum, Ph.D.; Robert G. Dunn, M.S., and Anthony N. Duminski, B.S.

Dr. John Sigler has been named president-elect of the Michigan chapter, Arthritis Foundation.

Dr. Gilbert Bluhm has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Ann Arbor-Toledo-Detroit chapter of the American Foundation for Clinical Research.

Dr. A. Bruce Graham has been elected chairman of the Professional Advisory Council of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Michigan.

Dr. Brock E. Brush was elected Trustee of the Wayne County Medical Society for a four-year term.
A CERTIFICATE OF MERIT was awarded this exhibit at the recent convention of the American Medical Association in San Francisco. Authors of the exhibit, which was judged best in the arthritis and rheumatism symposium conducted by the Arthritis and Rheumatism Association, are Gilbert B. Bluhm, M.D.; Jeanne M. Riddle, Ph.D.; Marion I. Barnhart, Ph.D.; Howard Duncan, M.D., and John W. Sigler, M.D. The exhibit was designed and produced by the HFH Medical Arts Department. The subject, "Crystal Dynamics in Gout and Pseudogout," is covered in a brochure which accompanied the exhibit and will also be reported in a paper prepared by Dr. Bluhm for MEDICAL TIMES.

Staff Changes  Continued

Weiner, who has joined the Buenaventura Medical Clinic in Ventura, California.

Dr. Donald R. Ingram, of the Department of Otolaryngology, has entered private practice in Alton, Illinois.

Dr. J. D. Moroney is now in private practice in Tampa, Florida. He was in the Department of Pediatrics.

Also in Florida is Dr. Louis Chaykin, formerly in Medical Clinic V. He is in private practice in North Miami.

Dr. John J. Prendergast, chief resident physician at HFH this past year, has accepted a fellowship in endocrinology at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco. He had been a resident here since 1964.

Other staff changes at HFH include the naming of four former residents to the permanent staff. They are Dr. Daniel T. Anbe and Dr. Raynald A. Lane to the Division of Cardiology, Dr. Murray R. O'Neil to the Division of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, and Dr. Frederick C. Stebner to the Department of Radiology.

Named as associate physician in the Division of Pediatric Cardiology is Dr. Madhu Mody who was formerly at Milwaukee Children's Hospital in Wisconsin. Former resident Dr. Ernest Smith has also received a staff appointment in the Division of Pediatric Cardiology.

Dr. Kenneth H. Kapphahn has succeeded Dr. William C. Noshay as chief of the Division of Neurology. Dr. Noshay had requested to be relieved of his administrative duties for health reasons, but will remain in the division as a full time consultant.

New Members for Editorial Board

New appointments to the editorial board of the Henry Ford Hospital Medical Journal have been announced by Dr. C. E. Rupe, editor. Dr. Raymond C. Mellinger, who has been serving on the board the past year, has been named associate editor to succeed Dr. Thomas N. James. Dr. James is now at the University of Alabama Medical Center.

Dr. Roy B. Patton, of the Department of Pathology, and Dr. George C. Bower, Division of Pulmonary Diseases, have been added to the editorial board.