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HFH In The News
7 RECEIVE ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

Seven staff doctors, each with 15 years of service, were among those honored at the 17th annual anniversary awards luncheon last November 5 at Henry Ford Hospital. They were Dr. Melvin A. Block, General Surgery Division V; Dr. Robert E. Burns, Department of Dermatology; Dr. Joseph P. Elliott, General Surgery Division II; Dr. Robert B. Hunter (above right), Medical Clinic 3; Dr. Alexander P. Kelly, Jr., Division of Plastic Surgery; Dr. Eli J. Igna (above left), Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics; Dr. Robert K. Nixon, Medical Clinic 5; and Dr. Roger E. Smith, chief of the General Surgery Division II.

A total of 86 employees were cited. Three received 35-year pins and inscribed certificates; ten employees received gold watches for 25 years, and 73 employees received the 15-year pins.

LESLIE MITCHELL DAY HELD IN WASHINGTON

The third C. Leslie Mitchell Orthopaedic Day was held at the Marriott Motor Inn in Washington, D.C., on September 12 and 13, 1969. Held annually for orthopaedic surgeons who were trained by Dr. Mitchell, the meeting drew more than 40 former residents, many of whom presented papers.

Dr. Mitchell came to the meeting from LaJolla, Calif., where he has been living since his retirement last July.

Dr. L. Z. Shifrin of the Department of Orthopaedics presented a paper entitled "Giant Cell Tumors of Bone." Dr. R. Allred, HFH orthopaedic resident, read his paper, "Peroneal Tendon Transfer for Spastic Rockerbottom Foot Deformity." This year's guest speaker was Dr. George H. Hyatt, professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Georgetown University.

Next year's meeting will again be held at HFH, continuing the alternate year tradition.

The awards were presented by Mrs. Benson Ford, member of the board of trustees, with Dr. Robin C. Buerki, executive director, assisting.

RHEUMATOLOGISTS MEET

The Michigan Rheumatism Society sponsored a program on "Handling Arthritis in General Practice" in Lansing in late November. The meeting, chaired by Dr. Gilbert B. Bluhm, HFH rheumatologist and president of the Michigan Rheumatism Society, was the organization's first effort to supplement post-graduate education for practicing physicians. Other HFH physicians participating in the program were Dr. J. W. Sigler, chief of the Division of Rheumatology, and Dr. T. K. Burnham of the Department of Dermatology.
MENTAL HEALTH GRANT

Dr. Richard M. Lee has received a $55,000 research grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to study neural mechanisms underlying learned behavior by invertebrates. The three-year research program will be conducted in the Edsel B. Ford Institute where Dr. Lee is a member of the Department of Neurological and Behavioral Sciences. He is also head of the Psychology Division at HFH.

Luther E. Preuss, Physics and Biophysics Department of the EBFI, attended the National Symposium of the American Vacuum Society in Seattle, Wash., in late October. He occupies a seat on the board of directors as counselor to the International Union of Vacuum Science and holds the position of president-elect in the International Union.

Dr. Ralph D. Parks, of the Division of Pulmonary Diseases, has been named to Fellowship in the American College of Physicians.

From the desk of
C. E. Rupe, Editor

In this issue of the HENRY FORD HOSPITAL MEDICAL JOURNAL, we are pleased to publish five papers from the series presented last May at the Resident Education Seminar of the House Staff Association. Two of them are by authors from neighboring hospitals. The seminar, it will be recalled, was a day-long forum for the presentation of original medical papers by interns, residents and fellows of the Greater Detroit and Ann Arbor area hospitals.

The JOURNAL is pleased to be the vehicle for presentation of this material to its readers, who include not only some 3,000 HFH alumni and staff but also more than 4,000 other physicians, hospitals, medical libraries, medical schools and students.

Looking over the index of papers published the past year, which also appears in this issue, I would be hard put to choose a best one!

But, I would welcome your comments and your vote.

If response is sufficient, the Editorial Board will consider establishing an award for Best Paper of the Year. Will you indicate your support by jotting down your choice on the lines below (or on your office memo sheet) and forward to the Publications Office?

Remember, your comments—and items of news—are always welcome.

VOTE:

Dear Pete:

For Best Paper of the Year, published during 1969 in the HENRY FORD HOSPITAL MEDICAL JOURNAL, I vote for:

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(Signed, if you wish)
Dr. Walter A. Graham left HFH in late November to accept a position as staff psychiatrist at the Windward Mental Health Center, Hawaii State Hospital in Kaneohe, Hawaii. Dr. Graham had been on staff in the Division of Psychiatry at HFH since 1953.

Dr. A. Robert Arnstein has accepted a position at Wayne State University as head of metabolic bone diseases. He will be leaving the hospital in January where he has been an associate in Medical Clinic #5 since 1962.

OBITUARIES

Dr. William Cook, a pioneer dentist at HFH in the 1920's, died recently in Midland, Mich. Dr. Cook was one of Michigan's best known oral surgeons, pioneering in both surgical procedures and instructional methods during his 62 years of practice. A graduate of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, he was at HFH from 1920 to 1928, when he entered private practice. At age 70 he opened a private practice in oral surgery in Midland where he worked until his death at age 86. During his long and distinguished career, Dr. Cook was president of the Michigan State Dental Association, a special examiner for the Michigan State Board of Dental Examiners, taught at Wayne State University, was chief of the dentistry and oral surgery staffs at Harper and Grace Hospitals, and was a member of many professional dentistry organizations. He is survived by his wife, Bernice, and two sons.

Dr. Brenton Hamil, who retired from Henry Ford Hospital in 1965 after 29 years in the Department of Pediatrics, died October 6 in Dearborn, Mich. He was a graduate of the University of Iowa Medical School and completed his internship and residency in Chicago, coming to HFH in 1936. Following his retirement, he joined the staff of Metropolitan Hospital in Detroit.

Two other HFH alumni have died recently. Dr. Arthur M. Harrison, Jr., was a surgical resident at HFH from 1939 to 1941, and had been living in Napolean, Ohio, in recent years. Dr. J. Lewis Yates came to HFH in 1947 for his internship and residency and subsequently joined the staff in the Division of Pulmonary Diseases where he worked under Dr. Benjamin Goodrich, who was chief of the division before Dr. Coates. Dr. Yates left the staff in 1955 to become chief of medicine at the Missouri State Sanitarium in Mt. Vernon, Mo., until the time of his death.

Med Tech Training Marks 40 Years

This year the Department of Pathology is looking back upon 40 years of training medical technologists. The HFH School of Medical Technology was organized by Dr. Frank W. Hartman, who instituted an affiliation with Wayne University, which has continued through the years. The first student began the training program in 1929. Two hundred and thirty-seven have been graduated and currently 16 students are enrolled in the program. All course work is at the hospital with the professional and technical staffs of the Department of Pathology serving as faculty. Recently specialized areas which are not a part of the Department of Pathology such as the Endocrinology laboratory, and the Dermatology mycology laboratory have been added to the curriculum.

Medical technology students are Wayne State University graduate students, who pay graduate fees to Wayne. The course extends over seven quarters, climaxing with a final oral examination at Wayne State University. A master's degree in medical technology is awarded upon successful completion of all requirements.

FIRST PRIZE FOR MICROSCOPY EXHIBIT

First prize in the annual Electron Microscopy Society of America competition for the best contribution to the Biological Section of Scientific Exhibits was awarded to an HFH team. The photo exhibit demonstrating "Electron Microscopy of the Glomerulus in Human Kidney Disease" was prepared by Robert V. Weimer, technician in the Physics Department, Dr. C. E. Rupe, chief of Medical Clinic 4, and Dr. John H. L. Watson, head of the Physics Department in the Edsel B. Ford Institute for Medical Research. The medal for excellence was awarded at the Society's 27th annual meeting in St. Paul, Minn., in September.

Dr. Azorides R. Morales has returned to a staff position as associate in the Department of Pathology after spending two years in the Army. His first year was spent as a pathologist at Ireland Army Hospital in Fort Knox, Ky. He spent the second year in Thailand, where he was the only pathologist for two hospitals and a dispensary in that country.
HFH Exhibits at Meetings

An exhibit on "Bone Scanning" by Miss L. A. DuSault, R. A. Shaw, M.D., and W. R. Eyler, M.D., all of the HFH Radiology Department, won a Bronze Medal at the Society of Nuclear Medicine meeting in New Orleans, La., last June. The exhibit, which was also shown by request at radiology society meetings in Washington, D.C., in September and in Chicago in November, received a Certificate of Merit from the American Roentgen Ray Society at the Washington, D.C., meeting.

An exhibit entitled "Positive Contrast Tomography of the Posterior Fossa," prepared by Drs. J. L. Fenton, H. I. Wilner, W. R. Eyler and R. S. Knighton, was also shown at the American Roentgen Ray Society meeting in Washington.

The exhibit entitled "White Lesions of the Mouth" was presented at the 28th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology, held at the Americana Hotel in Bal Harbour, Florida, December 6-11. Authored by Dr. Edward A. Krull and Dr. Louis A. Fabian, both of the HFH Dermatology Department, the exhibit consists of a pictorial presentation and review with a diagnostic quiz.

PERSONAL NOTES

Clarence S. Livingood, M.D., chairman of the Department of Dermatology, was one of seven Michigan physicians honored by the Michigan State Medical Society House of Delegates because they are presidents of a national medical organization. Dr. Livingood is president of the American Dermatological Association. He was awarded a certificate at the annual session held in late September in Detroit.

Robert J. Mason, M.D., and HFH alumnus, was elevated to the position of president of the Michigan State Medical Society at the Detroit meeting. The Birmingham pediatrician was at HFH from 1928 until 1932.

Gerald M. Breneman, M.D., served on a panel at the physician education conference on "Decision-Making in Acute Coronary Care," sponsored by the Michigan Heart Association. The three-day conference was held in September at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Geoffrey L. Brinkman has been named chairman of the Department of Medicine at Detroit General Hospital. Currently professor of medicine at Wayne State University, Dr. Brinkman was an associate in Pulmonary Diseases at Henry Ford Hospital from 1954 to 1966.

NOSE DROPS TESTED FOR FLU VACCINE

Community programs similar to the polio sugar cube projects for children and adults may some day prevent Hong Kong flu epidemics. A study to determine the effectiveness of an influenza vaccine administered by nose drops is now being conducted in the Infectious Disease Clinic at HFH. The project is financed by a $15,000 research grant. Dr. Edward Quinn is the principal investigator.

Although an effective respiratory disease vaccine has already been developed and used, it is hoped that a new more purified vaccine, which is now being tested in nose drop form, will provide better protection with fewer side effects than the injection method. More than 300 Henry Ford Hospital employees are participating in the double-blind study, with two doses administered at four-week intervals.

Dr. Donald A. Romig, M.D., recently joined the staff in the Division of Infectious Diseases. He was born in China, where his parents were American missionaries and lived there for five years before coming to the states. A 1962 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Dr. Romig was an intern at King County Hospital in Seattle, Wash. He served a residency in internal medicine at the University of Kansas Medical Center and was a fellow in infectious diseases there until coming to HFH in September. Following medical school, he spent two years with the U.S. Public Health Service working with Indians on the Laguna and Acoma Reservations in New Mexico.

First nurse clinician to assume duties at HFH is Miss Catherine Baldy, a registered nurse with a master's degree from the University of Michigan. She spends about 80% of her time on F-2 Unit and the other 20% at Wayne State University where she is involved with the joint HFH-WSU program to train clinical specialists. The program is financed by a HEW grant.