Expansion Program Under Way

Speakers named for international symposium

Distinguished authorities in the field of metabolic bone disease have accepted the invitation to appear next June 26-29 at an international symposium to be hosted by Henry Ford Hospital. This symposium will emphasize diagnostic and clinical features of various metabolic bone diseases. Dr. Charles Dent of England, an international authority on metabolic bone disease, will be the keynoter.

Other speakers include Dr. Paul Munson, of Chapel Hill, N.C.; Dr. Harold Copp, of Vancouver, Canada; Dr. John Potts, of Boston, Mass.; Dr. Paul Saville, of Omaha, Nebraska; Dr. Louis Avioli, of St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. H. Rasmussen of Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. H. DeLuca, of Madison, Wisc. and Dr. S. W. Stanbury of England. Sessions on calcitonins in clinical medicine, parathyroid hormone, osteoporosis, Vitamin D metab-

Plans for a 17-story elevator tower to be constructed on the east side of the Outpatient Clinic (facing the John C. Lodge Freeway) were announced in November. The $2.7 million project which increases the number of clinic elevators from seven to fifteen, will also connect to and serve future hospital and clinic expansion. This new construction is the first phase in a master plan which considers replacement of the emergency care center and research facilities, as well as expansion of diagnostic areas and inpatient intensive care units. Bids are being solicited and completion of the elevator project is planned for 18 months from the awarding of the contract.

In addition, more inpatient units will be renovated this year. (H-1 and H-2 were renovated this past year). The Clinic, education building, and nurses' residence are also being modernized.

Purchase of a 60,000-square-foot office building and 8.5 acres of land in Troy was

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Recent staff appointments

The Board of trustees and the Council of Departmental Chairmen recently announced a number of staff appointments, among them: John G. Whitcomb, M.D., returned to HFH in November to join the staff of Surgical Division V, and become the director of education in the department of surgery. He served at HFH as an intern, surgical resident, chief surgical resident and staff surgeon from 1951-59 (with a two year tour of duty in the U.S. Navy in 1952-4). Prior to his return he was staff surgeon at Lovelace Clinic and Foundation, Albuquerque, N.M. Dr. Whitcomb received his medical degree from the University of Cincinnati and holds a master's degree from the Univ. of Mich. He is a member of the A.M.A., Pan-Pacific Surgical Association, Southwestern Surgical Congress, American College of Chest Physicians and the American Association for Contamination Control. Dr. Whitcomb is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and has been associated with the Department of Surgery, Univ. of New Mexico Medical School, as well as the advisory group to the Regional Medical Program in New Mexico.

Nathan W. Levin, M.D., will assume duties as the head of the newly-created Nephrology Division in early 1972. He comes to HFH from Chicago where he was associated with the Veterans Administration Research Hospital and was associate professor of medicine, Northwestern University Medical School. Dr. Levin was born in Johannesburg, South Africa, and received his training at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. He was a USPHS International post-doctoral fellow at Presbyterian St. Luke's Hospital and the University of Illinois. From 1964-67 he was a staff physician, renal unit, and therapeutic trials physician at Johannesburg General Hospital and University of Witwatersrand Medical School, and co-founded the South African Renal Society as well as the South African National Kidney Foundation. His memberships include the American Federation for Clinical Research, American and International Society of Nephrology, Central Society for Clinical Research and the advisory committee for the program on nephrology training, Illinois Regional Medical Program. Dr. Levin is the author of over 40 publications.

Wha Young Lee, M.D., has been named to the staff of the department of anesthesiology, a native of Korea, she received her medical degree from Woo Sok University Medical College in Seoul, Korea. She interned at St. Joseph Hospital, Hamilton, Ontario, before coming to HFH in 1969 for her residency training.

Current a fellow in the Infectious Diseases Division, Evelyn J. Fisher, M.D., will join that staff as an associate in January. She had been a resident in internal medicine at HFH for three years, after completing her internship at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. In 1966, she held an NIH fellowship in tropical medicine, practicing in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Folder on physicals

An information file folder on the periodic health examination program at Henry Ford Hospital is being distributed by the new Executive Health Office. Produced under the supervision of Dr. Hernan Alvarez, chief of the Division of Preventive Medicine, the folder serves as a file for patients' personal records. A companion piece lists procedures done and provides space for appointments.

Two former HFH thoracic surgeons have entered private group surgical practice in the Detroit area. Dr. Eduardo Arciniegas is associated with a group having offices in Royal Oak and the Professional Plaza, Detroit, with privileges at Beaumont Hospital. Dr. Rodman E. Taber's offices are also in the Professional Plaza, with an affiliation at Harper Hospital. The latter's associates also maintain a practice in Warren and Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Dr. Dean LeSher, former associate in Medical Clinic 4, has joined the Lederle Drug Co. in Ridgewood, N.J., to do drug research related to kidney disease.

Miss Lucille DuSault, radiation physicist in the Nuclear Radiology Division, retired in December after 15 years at HFH. She will continue her research work in Los Angeles, California.

Dr. John W. Sigler, chief of the Rheumatology Division and president of the Michigan Arthritis Foundation, was one of four panel members at a free public arthritis forum held recently in Detroit. He spoke on the diagnosis and treatment of gout and osteoarthritis.

William S. Haubrich, M.D., is the new editor of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, the journal of the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy. Dr. Haubrich is now on the staff of Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation in La Jolla, Calif. Bernard M. Schuman, M.D., of the HFH Division of Gastroenterology, is abstracts editor. HFH alumnus Joseph A. Rinaldo, Jr., M.D., of Southfield, Mich., is current secretary of the society.
VISITING THE HOSPITAL in September were Dr. Taro Takemi, president of the Japan Medical Association, and Dr. Hiroshi Muroya, of the medical faculty of Kyoto University, Japan, who were on a world tour, studying various methods of health care delivery and related insurance programs. They spent the day with Stanley R. Nelson, executive director.

Scientists at HFH

Over 200 medical scientists from all parts of the United States, including Hawaii and some European countries, were in attendance at the international meeting of the Reticuloendothelial Society Nov. 30-Dec. 3 held at Henry Ford Hospital. Dr. John W. Rebuck was chairman. The meeting opened with a keynote address by Dr. Ronald F. Dorfman, of Stanford University Medical Center, speaking on "Biology of Malignant Neoplasia of the Lymphoreticular Tissues." History was made when three research groups presented a consensus of findings to end a long standing debate on the etiologic mechanisms of chronic granulomatous disease in children and adults. The Boston Group presented data on children with little resistance to infection due to NADPH oxidase deficiency, the Indiana Group presented data on such children with leukocytes lacking G6PD, while the Minnesota Group presented data on similar infection-prone children lacking glutathione in their leukocytes. All three deficiencies seemingly involve the pentose shunt required for energy production.

Dr. Charles S. Livingood, chairman, and Dr. Edward A. Krull, associate, in Dermatology, were speakers at a science and medical writers symposium on dermatology December 3 at the Palmer House, Chicago. The symposium, the first of its kind, preceded the week-long annual scientific meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology. Dr. Livingood's subject was "Dermatology for the 1970s and Beyond" and Dr. Krull discussed "Baldness—is it just due to heredity?"

Lee B. Stevenson, M.D., formerly of the department of gynecology and obstetrics, is new president of the Michigan Society of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Dr. Bernard M. Schuman, of the Gastroenterology Division, was a guest speaker at the clinical day on gastroenterology held at Doctors Hospital, Toronto, Canada, December 1. His topic was "Radiation Therapy for Peptic Ulcer Disease." Former HFH gastroenterology resident, Dr. Harvey L. Atin, now of Toronto, was the program chairman and former HFH surgery resident, Dr. L. Chaikof, also of Toronto, spoke on office management of hemorrhoids.

At the 1971 International Vacuum Congress and Conference on Surface Science, held in Boston, October 11-15, Luther E. Preuss of the Physics and Biophysics Department of the Edsel B. Ford Institute was elected president of the International Union for Vacuum Science, Techniques and Applications (IUVSTA). This is a worldwide scientific federation with 19 national affiliates, totaling some 7,000 scientist members. He was elected in 1963 as councillor to the international body representing the United States' affiliate (the AVS, which is associated with the American Institute of Physics). His term as president extends to the Sixth International Congress in Kyoto, Japan in 1974.

Roger L. Rian, M.D., of the Radiology Dept., was one of the participants in the Southwestern Michigan Clinic Day sponsored by the Calhoun County Medical Society at the Battle Creek Country Club last November 4.
AT AWARDS LUNCHEON—Dr. Zar Reader, left, and Dr. Eugene Alexander, at right, were among three doctors with 25-years' service honored at an anniversary awards luncheon November 18 at the Northland Inn in Southfield. Seated between them is Mrs. Reader. Together with Dr. Paul D. Bartlett, chairman, department of biochemistry and molecular biology, EBFI, they received gold watches presented by Mr. and Mrs. Benson Ford. Honored for 35 years' service and receiving diamond-set pins were Dr. C. Paul Hodgkinson, chairman of department of gynecology and obstetrics, and Dr. John W. Keyes, chief of the cardiovascular diseases division. Fifteen-year pins went to Dr. Ralph E. Bauer, Dr. Franklin T. Cookingham, Dr. Mary Rose Costello, Dr. Gerald Fine, Dr. Boy Frame, Dr. Cornelius E. McColle, and Dr. Rodman E. Taber.

Dr. C. Paul Hodgkinson, chairman, Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics, served as consultant to the World Health Organization at a five-day meeting last November 15 at WHO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. As the only U.S. participant, he worked with representatives from eight other countries in revising the gynecological section of the International Classification of Disease, revisions which are made every 10 years. Dr. Hodgkinson, who served as chairman for part of the meeting, represented the Internal Federation of Gynecologists and Obstetricians (FIGO), for which he is chairman of the committee on medical terms and hospital reports on human reproduction.

Dr. Robert C. Horn, Jr., chairman, Department of Pathology, was elected vice-president of the College of American Pathologists at its recent meeting in Boston. He has been secretary-treasurer for the last year, a member of the CAP board of governors since 1968, and earlier, speaker of its assembly for four years.

International Symposium (Continued from first page) metabolism, clinical description and discussion of unusual metabolic bone diseases and renal osteodystrophy will be followed by short papers chosen from submitted abstracts. Dr. Frame is chairman of the organizing committee for the symposium. Working with him are HFH physicians Howard Duncan, Harold Frost, C. E. Jackson and Michael Parfitt. Also, Drs. R. P. Heaney, of Omaha, Neb.; Conrad Johnston, of Indianapolis, and Lawrence Riggs, of Rochester, Minn. Further information can be obtained by contacting Dr. Frame at the Hospital.

Expansion Program (Continued from first page) announced in December. Originally built in 1970, the unfinished building will undergo internal completion and furnishing for use by the Hospital's Data Processing and Accounting Departments. This move will help relieve work space and parking shortages at the Hospital.