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# Recent Increase In Non-Medical Pay Discussed

There was a pleasant surprise in non-medical folks' salary envelopes last month—a memo from Administration announcing a salary increase.

Discussing this last week, Personnel spelled out "just what this increase is, and what it is not."

These adjustments were **not** costof-living increases; they were **not** based on length of service; they were **not** based on merit (which come as a result of superior work, following annual review). Adjustments in salaries on a merit and "anniversary" basis will continue as in the past, within the salary limits of job classifications.

Then just what were the recent increases based on?

They came as a result of a general upward revision of salaries in the various job classifications (secretary, desk attendant, technician, etc). In other words, these increases were not to individuals as such—rather, they were given to groups of people doing a particular type of work.

This current "classification upgrading" in total represents a substantial increase in the non-medical payroll.

# Association Holds Annual Meeting, Re-elects Officers

All officers were re-elected last week at the annual meeting of the Board of Members of Mayo Association. Re-elected were:

Dr. C. W. Mayo, chairman; Drs. Waltman Walters and S. F.

Haines, vice chairmen; Mr. G. S. Schuster, vice chairman and treasurer;

Mr. H. A. Blackmun, secretary; Mr. J. W. Harwick, assistant secretary-treasurer;

Mr. É. H. Weld, second assistant secretary-treasurer.

Re-elected to new four-year terms to the Board of Members were Dr. J. W. Kernohan, Mr. H. S. Kingman and Mr. Harwick. Mr. Kingman, the president of the Farmers and Mechanics Savings Bank of Minneapolis, is one of the

three "public" members of the

Other members attending the meeting were Dr. J. T. Priestley, Dr. L. M. Randall, Mr. Edmund Fitzgerald, the president of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee, and Dr. Dwight L. Wilbur, professor of medicine at Stanford University. Mr. Fitzgerald and Dr. Wilbur are also "public" members of the As-

### sociation. Programs Discussed

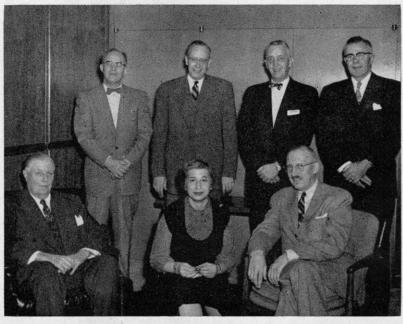
association.

At the afternoon session of the day-long meeting, members heard detailed discussions of educational and research programs supported by Association funds.

Speaking at this session were Dr. Victor Johnson, director of Mayo Foundation, Dr. T. B. Magath, chairman of the research administrative committee of the Board of Governors, and Dr. J. W. Kirklin, head of a Clinic section of surgery, who discussed recent advances in intra-cardiac surgery.

B'nai B'rith Closes Desk

# Grace Gordon Honored by Staff



TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS ago, B'nai B'rith, Jewish fraternal organization, established a "desk" at the Mayo Clinic as a service for Jewish patients.

A 1955 survey by the organization determined that changing conditions — notably, expanded local Jewish services for visitors, a sharp reduction in numbers of Jewish patients with language problems and expansion of the Clinic's Medical Social Service—had made it unnecessary to maintain this service. As a result, last month, the B'nai B'rith desk on the main floor was discontinued.

Grace Gordon, who has headed this service for Jewish patients for more than 25 years, was honored last week by members of the Board of Governors and Administration, "representing all of Miss Gordon's Clinic friends—which is to say, everyone at the Mayo Clinic."

In the above picture, presenting Miss Gordon with a watch inscribed "from the Staff of the Mayo Clinic," are (seated, left to right) H. J. Harwick, emeritus chief of Administration and Board executive officer, and Dr. S. F. Haines, chairman of the Board of Governors; (standing, left to right) U. W. Tervo, head of the Personnel Section, and G. S. Schuster, E. H. Weld and J. W. Harwick of Administration.

A memo arriving in the Mayovox office last week said:

"It is heartwarming to know that, through the past 25 years of my association with the Clinic, so many of the professional and non-professional staffs have become my friends. Please accept my sincere thanks for the wonderful cooperation and consideration shown me throughout the years.

"Gratefully,
"Grace Gordon."

# Personnel Reports Recent Changes

Richard Healy has returned to Clinic employ after four years as hospital corpsman with the U. S. Air Force. His service included one year at the 3380th USAF Hospital in Iceland in addition to service at several USAF Hospitals in the United States. An x-ray orderly at St. Marys before entering service he is now assigned to Film Storage, Medical Sciences.

New at the Clinic are Thomas Bushaw (Rochester) nurse-anesthetist trainee; Karen Eichinger (Rochester) and Darlene Schultz (Rochester) desk attendant trainees; Marylyn Fischer (Blue Earth) and Charlotte Painter (Rochester) clerktypists, Typing Pool; Ardella Housenga (Rochester) medical stenographer; Beverly Riddle (Owatonna) clerk-typist, Accounting; Mrs. Valetta Sparks (Kasson) technician, Surgical Pathology, Methodist Hospital; Armin Schroeder (Riceville,

#### This Strikes a Chord

In this particularly long and tiresome winter, Minnesotans should respond to the story about the Swede visiting in Italy. What kind of summers did they have way up north, an Italian asked.

"As I remember," the Swede said, "it came last year on a Thursday."

Iowa) General Service. Also Sheila Miller

Also Sheila Miller (Rochester) technician, Surgical Pathology, St. Marys; Gail Peterson, clerk, Field Collections; Darleine Loquai (West Concord) technician, EEG Laboratory and Mrs. Lois Harvey (Rochester) cytology technician, Surgical Pathology, St. Marys.

Re-entering are Mrs. LeRene Brakke, technician, Clinical Pathology (part-time); Mrs. Leone Trygstad, technician, Clinical Biochemistry. Re-entering as temporary employes are Mrs. Margaret Rogers, case worker, Social Service; Mrs. Gwen Molnar, proofreader, Section of Publications and Mrs. Beverly Geselle, registrar, Registration. All are from Rochester.

Transfers include Mary Templeton from clerk, Business Office, to clerk-typist, Insurance Correspondence; Marlene Mumford from general secretary, Accounting Department to clerk-typist, Section of Publications and Mrs. Lilas Mc-Pherson from nurse substitute to nurse, Health Service.

Leaving are Mrs. Mary Jo Ayotte, Mrs. Marlys Haan, Jean Grathwohl, Thelberta Bigalk, Kayleen Conachen, Eileen Schultz, Mrs. Grace Bowes, Mrs. Lillian Saycich, Mrs. Mary K. Paine, Mrs. Geraldine Donald and Mrs. Sharon Maass.

# Rochester, Clinic Welcome Big New Industrial Neighbor

Top topic of conversation locally these days is the decision of a major industrial organization to open a large branch in Rochester.

Like other citizens, Clinic people have a natural interest in the project. Speaking for the Board of Governors, Dr. S. F. Haines stated the Clinic's official reaction to the news in these cordial words:

"The Board of Governors of the Mayo Clinic is very pleased to join others in welcoming the International Business Machines Corporation to Rochester.

"I. B. M. comes to our community with a high reputation for enlightened industrial management and fair employment practices.

"We fully anticipate that I. B. M. will prove a good neighbor for our citizens as well as for our existing industries and institutions, and will make a full contribution to the economic life and community ideals of Rochester."

To which Administration's R. C. Roesler, speaking as president of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, adds:

"The business and professional men and women of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce extend a warm and sincere 'Welcome to Rochester' to all personnel of International Business Machines Corporation.

"The decision to establish here this addition to the company's operating facilities is a distinct compliment to our city. Each of us will take considerable pride in the privilege of community association with personnel of such an outstanding organization.

"Appreciable individual and company efforts will be required to construct the plant and establish operations by late 1957. The members and staff of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce stand ready to assist with any individual or company problems on which we can be helpful.

"This new enterprise is of such a magnitude that it will have an impact on many phases of our community life. If such a situation is approached as an opportunity for community betterment, the benefits of this development will be many-fold.

### Evening College Offers Organic Chemistry Class

A special course in Introductory Organic Chemistry for laboratory technicians begins at Rochester Evening College on Tuesday, February 14.

The course, which was organized at the request of Clinic technicians, is planned for persons who wish to know some of the fundamentals of organic chemistry. Work will consist of lectures, demonstrations, discussion and limited laboratory experience.

Wagner Collins, Rochester Senior High School, is instructor. The class will meet weekly for 12 sessions from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room 210, Coffman Building. The fee is \$3.00. You may register for the course at the first class.

"One obvious immediate need will be additional residential areas to provide housing for the considerable population increase that is certain to occur in the next two to five years. This anticipated rapid growth provides Rochester with a wonderful opportunity to create an even more attractive city than we have previously enjoyed.

"With sound, thoughtful planning, we can have handsome new residential developments, convenient and safe street and traffic patterns, provision for adequate parks, properly located future school sites, and places for attractive industrial areas.

"This rapid growth could also take place in an uncoordinated, haphazard way that would leave us all much less proud of our city. The difference between an attractive, pleasant Rochester and an unattractive, disorderly one is careful community planning, through the cooperative efforts of Rochester, Olmsted County and adjacent township groups.

"Let us not miss this opportunity to build an even greater Rochester."

Organization No Stranger

Long-time Clinic people note that I. B. M. is no stranger to this institution.

Many years ago, Dr. Henry S. Plummer consulted with I. B. M. engineers in bringing into reality one of his many brilliant mechanical concepts relating to Clinic procedures.

For years, such Clinic units as Statistics and Payroll have used I. B. M. equipment extensively, and other products of the company are used by many other Clinic sections.

Physicians are aware of the organization's continuing interest in applying its engineering skills and experience to medical problems

For one example, it was I.B.M.'s generous aid to Dr. John Gibbon of Philadelphia that made it possible for him to create the pioneering model of a heart-lung bypass machine, a Clinic Engineering-modified version of which has been used extensively and with great success in Clinic surgery. In addition, this company gave the fullest cooperation to Clinic Engineering when the section was building the "Mayo version" of the heart-lung bypass apparatus.

#### 'New Neighbors'

Every homeowner has known the vague uneasiness that comes when a new family moves in next door. Are they nice people? Will they be easy to get along with? Will they do their share of the work in keeping our street an attractive street? Will they fit? Can we be friends?

Admit it or not, the entire Rochester community these days is experiencing some "new folks next door" feelings concerning this big new neighbor who is coming to our town.

But the more we learn about the newcomer, the better we feel about it all. They look like nice people, this I. B. M. group. Very nice people. It looks very much as though they will be a pleasure to have in the neighborhood.

# The Mayos: Reluctant 'Candidates'

"Mr. Speaker! The great state of California casts its votes for president of the United States for . . . Dr. Mayo!"

No such statement, of course, ever echoed through a crowded convention hall. But it might have. There are still political veterans who believe that a nod from either of the Mayo brothers on several occasions could have meant a nomination for the presidency. The story, contained in scrapbooks of newspaper clippings dating back to the 1920's, makes nostalgic reading in this, another election year . .

The newspapers deserve much of the credit—or blame, depending on your point of view—for the Mayos' unsought "political careers." Already well known before World War I, the name "Mayo" quite literally became a household word with creation of the Foundation and Association in 1917 and 1918. And despite their rigid adherence to medical ethics on matters relating to news, stories about the brothers were written and rewritten and re-rewritten.

Editorial writers echoed the sentiments of the Boulder (Colo.) Daily Camera's "Dear Lord, it's good to live in a generation of such men". or the Oregon Daily Journal's "Give us more Mayos" . . . or the New York's Sun's "The world could scarcely ask more from the fund (endowing the Foundation) than it develop more Mayos.'

None read these glowing tributes with more thoughtful attention, it appears, than the professional political folks, whose business it is to search always for superior potential candidates for public office.

In the early 1920's, Dr. Will went on a medical trip to South America. When he returned he was appalled to find himself being boomed for governor of Minnesota. He said he was not interested; the boom grew. He said he was not a candidate; the boom flourished. At last he issued a statement so flatly final that even the most optimistic politician could find no comfort in it.

Applauding his decision, one Twin Cities newspaper snapped: "Dr. Mayo has turned a deaf ear to being candidate for governor. The noted physician is more useful where he is. We have plenty of good gubernatorial timber-some good for little else-while doctors of the Mayo type are few and far between."

The political folks agreed—and promptly began booming Dr. Charlie for both governor and president! Dr. Charlie's first reaction was amusement. Then, as things began reaching serious proportions, he too was forced to issue an emphatic denial of ambitions for elective public office. And there matters simmered for a time.

But some few people, by personality and position and an indefinable something else that no newsman can define but all instantly recognize, are inescapably "news." The Mayos were such people.

Take the time that Dr. Charlie was making a trip to Europe (to receive some eight honorary degrees). In the confusion of boarding ship, someone misplaced his baggage. Serenely self possessed, he wore a high silk hat everywhere until his baggage was recovered. Newsmen, and readers-and determined politicians-were enchanted.

Or take the time that Dr. Will, on a medical trip to Mexico, attended a bull fight. One Luis Freg, matador idol of the era, was gored. At the request of the president of Mexico, Dr. Will took over the case. The bull fighter recovered. To the discomfort of the reserved Dr. Will, editorial "Viva, Mayo" comment rang in the Mexican press, and was quickly picked up in the United States.

And the press reported (and the politicians noted) that . .

Dr. Charlie was called to consult on the illness of the wife of the president:

both brothers topped the list of "most noted living Minnesotans."

There was no escape. Accompanied by his son, Dr. Charlie tried to get away from the pressures of work by attending the Fred Fulton-Billy Miske fight in Minneapolis. Miske stiffened Fulton with a left hook in the first round. With little to say and columns to fill, sports writers wrote about the Mayos as sports fans.

Not long after World War I, when emotions were still high, the brothers took the apparently unpopular stand that scientists of former enemy nations must be readmitted to international scientific councils. The unpredictable public applauded.

And the papers reported, and the politicians seeking appealing potential candidates looked thoughtful.

A really determined effort to convince Dr. Will that he should enter the race for the presidency developed in the mid-1920's. He explained patiently that he was a medical man, knew nothing of political life, was not a candidate for anything. The boom continued. Dr. Will announced that he was not a candidate: period.

Of equal professional stature with Attention swung to Dr. Charlie. his brother; a younger man; possessor of (greatest compliment of the era) a Will Rogers-type of charm; deeply conscious of a man's obligation for public service . . . Dr. Charlie was their man, politicians determined.

At first Dr. Charlie tried to laugh it off. The boom grew. Those straws in the wind, "letters to the editor," began citing such sentiments as "we need a surgeon of his stature to cut off the graft in Washington." Such influential people as governors began making Mayo-for-president sounds.

At last frankly concerned, Dr. Charlie stated that he was not, never had been, never would be a candidate for elective public office. Sadly, the boom died.

One final cross remained from their "political careers" for the brothers to bear. With the Mayos now safely "saved" from politics, their friends and admirers in the medical profession could find amusement in the situation. At medical meetings, solemn-faced physicians would inquire of campaign plans. As footnotes to professional letters, inwardly chuckling surgeons would promise unqualified support in the great crusade to "cut the graft out of Washington."

Dr. George W. Crile, the famed surgeon, found probably the most effective phrase for some friendly tormenting. In a letter, he congratulated Dr. Charlie on his "candidacy." He applauded the "new career.

And on the basis of his surgical experience he, Dr. Crile, was applying for a cabinet post under Dr. Charlie-that of "Secretary of the Interior.

# Hospital Project

A dessert canasta-bridge-scrabble party will be held at the Women's Club on February 15 at 8 p.m. to raise funds for the club's state hospital project. Members of the Social Committee, whose chairman is Joan Turner, are in charge of arrangements.

Tickets are fifty cents and may be secured at the clubhouse or from members of the Social and Hospital Committees.

Thirty-five Clinic women attended orientation classes at the State Hospital and toured the hospital last month, reports Aline Culley, Hospital Committee chairman. Plans are now being made for group visits to the G-2 ward at the hospital once a month. In addition the patients will receive cards and gifts on birthdays and holidays.

Funds remaining from the Christmas collection, to be supplemented by benefits such as the one planned next week, will support the project. Donations of used men's clothing will also be welcome.

Clinic women taking part in the State Hospital project are Janice Anderson, Ruth Barker, Neta Case, Ann Cooper, Helen Eggers, Alice Engevik, Floy Flanders, Irene Gordon, Ellen Guldberg, Mary Lou Hanson, Una Hanson, Marjorie Heiges, Ruth Herman, Joan Huber, Mildred Johnson, Maxine Kreinbring, Bernice Lantz.

Also Galina McLaws, Elda Jean Martin, LaVerne Oelfke, Sandra Percival, Esther Peters, Shirley Rowe, Geraldine Schlitgus, Virginia Schwarz, Helen Shields, Betty Silker, Joanne Titus, Joan Turner, Gladys Vine, Rosamond von Schrader, Dorothy Whelan, Gale Williams, Jean Wingard and Alma

#### MARRIAGES

Patricia McDonald, technician in Dr. E. H. Lambert's laboratory, Medical Sciences, was married to David Anderson in the Zumbro Lutheran Church on January 21. They are living in Rochester.

# Women's Club to 'No Other Place Quite Compares' Hold Benefit for Writes Clinic Son from Alaska Post

At least one Clinic son, had he been home in Rochester, would have viewed the recent local cold snap with amused tolerance.

He is Lieutenant J. C. Schlotthauer, who is spending these winter months on duty with the Air Forces' Aeromedical Laboratory at Fairbanks, Alaska. A recent letter to his parents indicates that, however rugged physically, the assignment has its compensations.

For instance, the letter was written from a post near Wales, the westernmost tip of North America. From here, Lt. Schlotthauer can see "my first bit of Russian territory-the Big Diomede Island, and if it weren't for the clouds we could see the shore of Siberia." **Aerial Thanksgiving** 

He flew to Wales by a commercial airline that carries both passengers and freight in DC-3's, "the old workhorse of the airways," to many otherwise isolated communities in Alaska. He ate a meager Thanksgiving dinner (a turkey sandwich) flying at 5,000 feet over the Yukon River, a much more substantial dinner with airline people at Nome. That night, he went to a make-shift but adequate theater. "Up here, movies go over big with the Eskimos; they really help support Hollywood.'

The following day, Schlotthauer and a friend visited the radio relay station outside Nome via "weasel" -that little tank-treaded vehicle that "walks" over snow in arctic

Describing coming over the crest of a snow-covered hill by moonlight, Schlotthauer became aware of what natives mean when they say that "the darn place grows on you. There isn't much here, but there is a challenge with which no other place quite compares . . .'

"Nome is a great little town. Though the weather is much less severe than at Fairbanks, there is already a lot of snow; some buildings are almost covered already. The people are very friendly, and each has his own story to tell. There are still some of the original gold rush sourdoughs around who can string together some pretty good yarns.

#### Entertainment

Weathered in, the Air Force lieutenant walked out onto the bay to watch Eskimos fishing through the ice; then back to town for reindeer steak; then the weather cleared, spoiling plans for "ptarmigan hunting by dog sled."

The next stage of travel was by bush plane ("these bush pilots are tops in my book"), to Teller, Shishmaref, then Wales, then Tin City. At Shishmaref, the entire population of the village turned out to meet the plane: "you never saw so many parkas and mukluks in your life." Dog teams here are standard methods of transportation of these amiable people who are "very proud of their Eskimo heritage yet very proud to be American."

At his Wales post, Schlotthauer reports cheerfully, "the winds can be very, very strong for long periods of time; it may be two or three weeks before a plane can get in. If all goes well, we will be back in Fairbanks this week some time."

To date, Lieutenant Schlotthauer has satisfied his curiosity about Alaska in just about every regard except one-in spite of his best efforts, he has yet to see his first polar bear. Maybe in the spring, though, he predicts . . .



#### FOR SALE

Men's skis, poles, boots; man's ice skates; Savage 12-gauge double barrel shotgun. Call 2-3983.

Westinghouse radio-phonograph, console, 3 speed, automatic changer, reasonably priced. Call 2-6207 evenings.

Portable shortwave radio, RCA Victor, world wide. Like new. Reasonable. Call

Draperies, 1 pair figured. Call 4215 evenings

Combination aluminum windows. Call

John Hoisington, 3680.

Magnavox, radio-phonograph console, 3 speeds. Call 2-4673. Executive-Conference desk, all-steel,

66"x36", 2 file drawers, new. Also Sperti sun lamp. Call 3282. Dining table, Duncan Phyfe, in good

condition, 1516 3rd St. N.E. Maroon davenport, maple armchair. Call 2-5303.

House, 2 bedrooms, finished attic. garage, northeast location; immediate possession. Call 9336.

Norwegian sweaters, handknitted. ladies', men's and children's sizes. Call

2-1950 after 5:30 p.m. 2-Bedroom Bungalow, 3 years old, excellent northeast location, by owner.

Call 2-6297. WANTED

Used Welch-Allen Ophthalmoscope in good condition. Call 2-6213.

Baby bed, three-quarters size. Call 6120 evenings. Youth bed. Call 2-4255 after 6 p.m.

Used typewriter in good condition.

Child's wagon. Call 2-6833.

Used car, small or medium sized, pre-ferably Nash. Also small radio. Call 2-1950 after 5:30 p.m.



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I SEE BY THE PAPER—and may we point our what paper? Discriminating breakfast reader is Marcia Truax, three-year-old daughter of Mrs. Mildred Truax, Section of Publications, who took the picture.

We Didn't Twist Her Arm, Either

MAYONOX

Meet the

**Supervisors** 

# Affection for People Was Foundation On Which Late Dr. Adams Built Life

Dr. R. C. Adams, former head of the Section of Anesthesiology of the Mayo Clinic, died last month at the age of 49.

Canadian-born Dr. Adams received M.D. and Master of Surgery degrees from Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario. After interning at the Ottawa General Hospital, he practiced general surgery at Belleville, Ont., then came to the Mayo Foundation in 1935 as first assistant in anesthesiology. His graduate studies were concentrated chiefly in anesthesiology and biometrics.

He became a consultant in the Section of Anesthesiology in 1937. He headed that section in 1952-53, when ill health compelled him to assume senior consultant status. He was successively instructor, assistant professor and associate professor in the Mayo Foundation.

Dr. Adams' particular interest in his specialty was intravenous anesthesia. He became widely known as an authority on this technic, and his book on the subject is regarded as a definitive work.

He was certified as a specialist in

#### Dr. Mayo Is Named To Post on WHO

Dr. Charles W. Mayo has been named as United States alternate representative on the executive board of the World Health Organ-

Headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, WHO has for its objective "attainment by all peoples of the highest possible level of health." It works toward improved world health by (a) directing and coordinating international health work, (b) providing services on epidemiology, statistics, drug standardization and publications through its Central Technical Services Department, (c) helping countries strengthen their health administrations, by furnishing public-health teams, disease-control demonstrations, consultants, training and fel-

The legislative body of WHO is the World Health Assembly, which determines policy and sets the main lines of an overall program.

The executive board of WHOto which Dr. Mayo has been named as alternate representativecarries out decisions of the assembly, analyzes programs and takes immediate action in emergencies.

#### Clinic Has Openings for Technicians, Secretaries

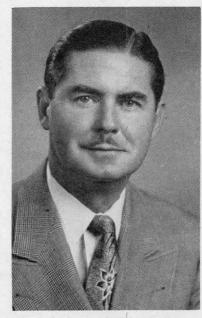
Notice to Clinic employes-

The Personnel Section is seeking applicants for several immediate openings in two areas

1. Laboratory technicians young women who have done better-than-average work in high school science subjects and have an interest in training in laboratory technics are sought for several permanent positions. In other vacancies, some college science training is desirable.

2. Secretaries — women who have had training and preferably experience in secretarial or stenographic work, and who are interested in the medical secretarial field, are sought for training and permanent placement in several medical secretarial positions.

If you know of an interested person whom you can recommend as qualified in one of the above areas, you may arrange an interview appointment for her by calling Mrs. Carol Aakre, Personnel Office, phone 2638.



Dr. R. C. Adams

anesthesiology in 1939. Among his professional affiliations were membership in the American Medical Association, Minnesota Medical Association, American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, Alumni Association of the Mayo Foundation and Sigma Xi. He was a fellow of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, serving as a member of the board of directors and house of delegates.

Dr. Adams was a man with a vast number of friends, within his profession and outside of it. These friends list his great interests in order of importance as "family, friends, music and the out-of-

Able to play almost any musical instrument, he was a member of a dance orchestra as an undergraduate. As director and co-director, he was responsible in a large measure for the great success of the Clinic Christmas parties of 1949 and 1950; the "Clinic Cavaliers" orchestra which he directed at that time was near top-level professional cali-

Friends recall he installed speakers to carry music to every room in his home, built an intercom system, adapted the sound system on the television set so that one person using earphones could enjoy programs without interrupting conversation of others in the room—"a real electronics wonder-

Noting that his great enthusiasm for hunting developed rather later in life than usual, one close family friend expresses a belief that "a great part of his hunting pleasure was that it gave him still another interest to share with his sons."

Without exception, those who knew him both intimately and casually emphasize Dr. Adams' "effortless ability to make people like him. This was easy for him; he liked people."

A clergyman-friend notes that his favorite text from the Bible was from Ezekiel: "I sat where they sat." Quoting the text, this friend added in a final tribute:

'Today we have bigger words, but no bigger grasp of this idea. We speak of 'empathy,' the entering into the feeling or spirit of another person. Dr. Adams had itthis ability to project himself into the tragedies, as well as the triumphs, of people."

Dr. Adams is survived by his wife and two teen-aged sons, Richard and Robert.

## Staff **Personals**

At a meeting held last month Dr. L. A. Brunsting was elected president of the Chicago Dermatologic Association

Dr. Edward A. Banner has been elected to honorary life membership by the North Dakota Society of Obstetrics

and Gynecology.

Dr. Malcolm Dockerty, who is civilian consultant for the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology recently spent a week in consultations at the Institute in Washington, D. C. He also presented a lecture "Malignant Neoplasms of the Small

Intestine."
Dr. R. G. Sprague at the Postgraduate Course of the American Diabetes Association held last week in Dallas, Texas participated in a panel discussion on Degenerative Vascular Complications in Diabetes." He also participated in a panel discussion before the Dallas Diabetes Society.

Dr. F. H. Krusen was in Montreal, Quebec last week where he spoke on The Community and the Rehabilitation of Its Disabled Citizens" at the opening of a fund-raising drive for the Rehabilitation Institute of Montreal.

Dr. J. H. Tillisch last week presented a review course in Aviation Medicine at the School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph Field, Texas.

Drs. W. H. Bickel, M. B. Coventry, R. K. Ghormley, E. D. Henderson, J. C. Ivins, E. W. Johnson, P. R. Lipscomb, C. R. Sullivan, D. C. Dahlin and E. H. Soule attended the meeting of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons held in Chicago January 28 to February 2. Dr. Coventry was chairman of the Program Committee. Dr. Lipscomb was chairman of the Committee on Scientific Investigation and presided at the presentation of the Kappa Delta Award for Research in Orthopaedic

Drs. Dahlin and Henderson presented a paper on "Chondrosarcoma, a Surgi-cal and Pathological Problem" and Dr. Ghormley was moderator of an illustrated panel discussion on "The Surgical Treatment of Degenerative Diseases of the Hip Joint in Adults.'

Drs. Ivins, Soule and Ghormley presented an instructional course on brous Tissue Tumors of the Extremities, and Drs. Johnson, Soule and Ghormley presented an instructional course on "Hemangiomas of the Extremities."

Dr. Bickel, chairman of the Committee on Advancement of Automobile Safety discused a paper on "Automotive Crash Injury Research." An exhibit, prepared by Drs. Lipscomb and L. E. Harris, on "Congenital Dysplasia and Dislocation of the Hip" was also presented at the meeting.

At a meeting of the Duluth Dental Forum on February 2 Dr. R. J. Gores spoke on "Tumors of Orthogenic Origin and Other Benign Tumors of the Jaws' and "Antibiotics in Minor Oral Surgery." At a meeting of the Northern Wisconsin Dental Society, Superior, he presented

papers on "Dental Roentgenographic Manifestations Associated Systemic Disorders" and "Blood Loss Associated with Minor Oral Surgery."

Dr. B. M. Black presented a paper on "Certain Aspects of Colonic Surgery of Current Interest" as part of a refresher course in surgery for the general practitioner sponsored by the University of British Columbia and Vancouver General Hospital in Vancouver February 6-8.

Drs. David T. Carr and N. G. G. Hepper this week attended the Veterans Administration Conference on Chemotherapy of Tuberculosis in St. Louis.

Dr. R. J. Jackman spoke on "Causes of Bleeding from the Large Intestine" at a meeting of the Scott County Medical Society in Davenport, Iowa on February

Dr. Howard P. Rome spoke on "The Clinical Use of Tranquilizing Drugs" at a meeting of the Calhoun County Medical Society, Battle Creek, Michigan on

February 7.
Drs. M. M. D. Williams, D. S. Childs, H. M. Weber, J. R. Hodgson and Martin Van Herik this week attended the American College of Radiology Teachers' Conference in Chicago. Dr. Williams spoke on "Radiological Physicists." Dr. C. W. Rucker this week presented

the Gifford Memorial Lecture at the meeting of the Chicago Ophthalmological Society. His subject was "Alterations in Caliber of the Retinal Vessels: Clinical and Experimental Observations." He also presented a paper on "The Causes Paralysis of the Ocular Motor Nerve" as part of a symposium on neuro-ophthalmology.

As part of a postgraduate course in pediatrics sponsored by the University of Texas School of Medicine, Galveston, February 9-11, Dr. H. M. Keith presented papers on "Convulsions in Children," "Neurologic Examination in Children" and "Electroencephalography in Pediatrics.

Dr. R. D. Pruitt on February 9 presented a lecture on the Dean's Hour Program at the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City. His subject was "Aims and Obstacles in Graduate Medical Education.'

Dr. Pruitt and Dr. Victor Johnson will attend the Congress on Medical Education and Licensure sponsored by the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association in Chicago February 11-14. Dr Johnson will be chairman of a panel discussion on graduate training and Dr. Pruitt will speak on "Degree Programs and Investigations."

#### Never Enough Doctors

Long-way-to-go item from a recent issue of the American Maga-

"In three-quarters of the vast area covering seven mountain states of the Far West, most residents are 25 miles or more from a doctor. Nearly 25,000 U.S. communities with populations up to 5,000 must depend entirely on medical aid from out of town for their sick and injured."

# supervises, including delivery of

the Section of Medical Records.

Dorothy Wilsey is supervisor of

A thirty-year Clinic employe she

has served in a variety of assignments in the department she now histories to desks and hospitals in the pre-conveyor days of the 1914 building. She has been supervisor of several units and in 1949 was given charge of training the section's new employes. Last year she advanced to Medical Records supervisor when Helen Eggers, who previously held this post, became supervisor in Registration.

Medical Records is a large section both in terms of area and personnel. It occupies two sections on Main and First floors in the 1928 Building, the Communications Center and the Lift Stations in the New Building. It is organized into five units each headed by a supervisor. Personnel, including supervisors, numbers 60.

Miss Wilsey credits her predecessor, Helen Eggers, and M. G. Brataas, Services Section, with perfecting section routines to a point where maintenance of a smoothly operating department presents few major problems.

Medical Records personnel, exclusive of supervisors, rotate assignments in the various units. Scheduling this rotation requires a considerable proportion of Miss Wilsey's time. A variety of other problems also keeps the supervisor's telephone ringing a good part of the day.

Majority of new employes in the section come directly from high school. Staff turnover is relatively high because a good many of the girls leave to be married after a short period of employment or transfer to other Clinic posts. However, the section's training program minimizes the disadvantages of frequent employe changes. Her sixty associates, Miss Wilsey declares, "are a wonderful group of girls. I'm very happy as their supervisor."

Dorothy is a long-time local resident and a graduate of Rochester High School. She shares an apartment with a Clinic anesthetist. Claiming few hobbies, she looks most favorably on travel and hopes to see a good bit more of the United States.

#### Berens Heads New County Cancer Group

A. G. Berens, head of Clinic Security, has been named chairman of the newly formed Olmsted County chapter of the American Cancer Society.

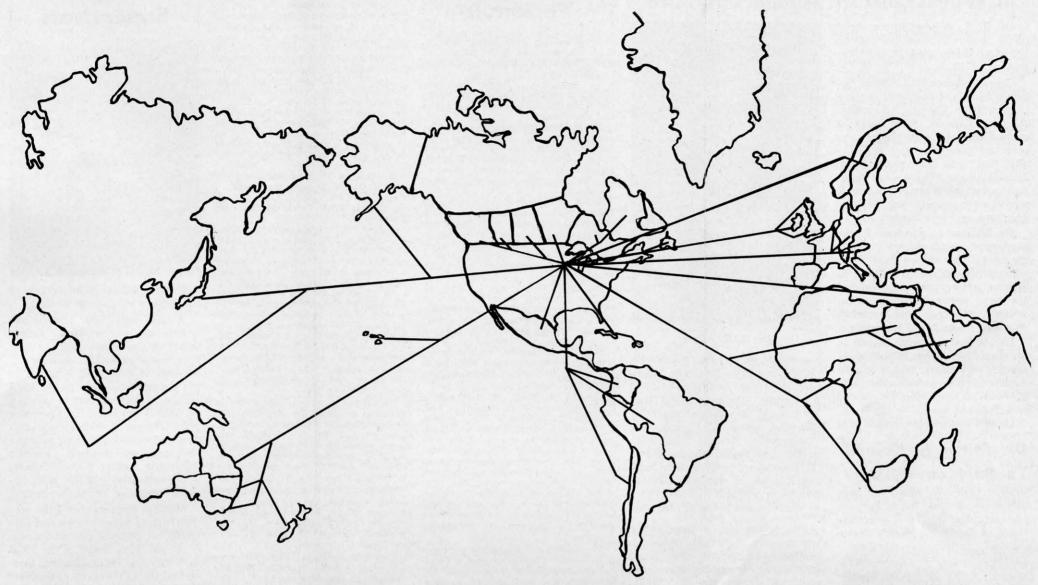
First efforts of the new chapter will be to broaden representation throughout the county, it was decided at the initial meeting, held at

# Clinic Army Unit Inspected



REPRESENTING Fifth Army, Col. George J. Kantor recently inspected the Clinic-connected 5071st General Hospital (U. S. Army Reserve). He is shown here in the old Board of Governors room with Lt. Col. M. H. Kjerner, 5071st executive officer before some of the military mementoes of the Mayo brothers. Col. Kantor was guest at a dinner given by the hospital unit, which is commanded by Col. J. C. Ivins.

# Mayovox Carries Clinic News North, South, East, West



# Mailing List Survey Shows Growing Alumni Readership

us a question about Mayovox's circulation that we've been able to answer only with a rough guess. To pin down a few more exact answers we last month made a survey of our mailing list.

Before quoting figures from this survey we'd like to point out that we've never aimed at building up an imposing circulation for Mayovox. Like most employe publications, our distribution is self-limited by our primary objective. Mayovox is published "for the men and women of the Mayo Clinic."

From the start, however, this limitation was broadened to include a sprinkling of non-Clinic and former Clinic persons, both in and outside of Rochester, who had a continued interest in the Clinic: for example, hospital visitors of service organizations and the pastors and hospital chaplains of Rochester churches were included on our original mailing list, as well as some former Staff and Fellows.

At the end of the first year of publication our circulation was 2,800 with about 300 copies mailed to non-Clinic persons, both in Rochester and elsewhere. Five years later our mailing list is a little over 4,200 and our out-of-city mailing is over 1,000.

One reason for this increase is growth of the Clinic itself: there

Quite often someone has asked are more members of medical, nonmedical and fellowship staffs now than there were five years ago. In addition, there is a lengthening list of retired Clinic men and women.

> A second reason is this. A large proportion of Fellows ask to continue to receive Mayovox after they leave Rochester. Many former Fellows and Staff who have become acquainted with the paper through special alumni issues ask to be placed on the mailing list. Some non-medical employes also ask to continue to receive the paper after leaving the Clinic.

Numerically our volume 1 circulation has been increased by 50 percent. Geographically, as our map shows, it has spread to touch a good many corners of the world.

Mayovox is mailed to Foundation alumni in eight Canadian provinces (including Newfoundland and Nova Scotia), Alaska, Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, nine European countries, South America, Asia, Africa and Australia. Our list of foreign addresses includes such distant cities as Beirut, Lebanon; Cape Town, South Africa; Wellington, New Zealand; Vellore, India. We have a number of APO and FPO addresses for present or former Fellows now in military ser-

Lately, with our out-of-city mail-

# ing reaching a thousand, we've felt

Mother's-little-helper-note-

Clinic Collections recently sent out a routine "return envelope" mailing to a patient.

This Brightened Up the Mail

The return was prompt, but unusual. Precariously stuck on the envelope for postage was a cancelled airmail stamp and one of those merchandise coupon Green Stamps. A block letter signature was scrawled across the face of the envelope. And inside was the following communique: "TBXX. AAPOO. BRBG." It was signed "PHRRBB."

safe in saying that Mayovox was mailed to "just about" every state in the United States. Our guess was right. Forty-seven states and the District of Columbia are represented on our mailing list. The only state missing: Vermont.

California leads the list in number of recipients (160) and in number of cities represented (60). Altogether Mayovox goes to somewhat over 300 different cities in the United States.

We get an occasional letter from former Clinic folks telling us they enjoy reading Mayovox. While this pleases us mightily we know better than to interpret it as personal praise.

The reason Mayovox can now claim national and international readership is to be found in these same letters, which invariably continue: "It is so good to read news of the Clinic and our old friends there. We still remember . . .'

#### **Greetings to Clinic** Friends Come from California, Canada

Two pleasant letters recently asked Mayovox to pay respects to friends at the Clinic.

Writing from Los Angeles, Dr. Egerton L. Crispin (among many other posts, he is a former president of the Alumni Association) was kind enough to say that he and Mrs. Crispin look forward to receiving the Clinic paper. "In addition to the items about the Clinic,' he writes, "we look for the personal items among which we often find news of some of our old friends.'

And writing from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Dr. Allan A. Bailey and Dr. Mary E. Marshall (Mrs. Bailey) stress that interest in their new work in no way prevents them from looking forward to news "from our beloved Mayo Clinic."

A former Fellow in Psychiatry, Dr. Marshall is now practicing in Saskatoon. Former head of a Clinic section of Neurology, Dr. Bailey is now associate professor of Medicine (Neurology) at the University of Saskatchewan.

#### **Medical Progress**

Dr. Bailey writes of the new University Hospital on the campus of the University with the enthusiasm of a man working very hard on something new, vital and important. Physically, "the building of the College of Medicine is connected to the hospital on three different levels. . . There is a good deal yet to be done in terms of landscaping and parking facilities at the institution, but this will proceed nicely again next spring.

"The hospital is a beautiful grayish-yellow stone building, with some stones of maroon dotted here and there throughout it. There will be accommodation for about 550 patients, and the members of the staff who are geographically fulltime in the College of Medicine have their offices throughout the building.

"At the present time I am located in the Out Patient Department, where I am eventually supposed to direct the organization of the department. We expect it to be working in the next spring, but only referred patients will be seen in it.

"The whole development has been a tremendous one for a province with a population of 800,000 people, but I must confess that I think the job has been exceptionally well done. We are all proud of the institution and of the faculty that has been assembled. The first

DID YOU KNOW THAT this Upper Midwest of ours is less than a lifetime away from embattled pioneer days? Just 65 years agoin 1890-U. S. troopers and South Dakota Sioux fought it out in the last great uprising of the American Indian, at the Battle of Wounded Knee. Come a long ways, haven't

class in Medicine will graduate in

On a personal note, Dr. Bailey adds, "As you know, we have very cold weather up here, but that simply means that we can have good skating outdoors. We had a nasty blizzard (recently), but for the most part there is not a great deal of snow in this area, and the sun shines brightly, even though from a rather horizontal position, each day. The town is very pretty in many ways, and I do hope that many of my Rochester friends will have an opportunity to visit it sometime."