Dr. Frank J. Rauscher Accepts Post With ACS As Senior Vice President

Dr. Frank J. Rauscher, Jr., has resigned as Director of the National Cancer Program and of NCI to accept the position of Senior Vice President for Research of the American Cancer Society, New York City, effective Nov. 1.

In his letter of resignation to President Ford, he expressed his appreciation for the support of the National Cancer Program by the President and Congress. It is the “most visible, emotional and important program in the biomedical history of this Nation,” Dr. Rauscher said.

President Ford accepted the resignation with regret and “with special gratitude for your outstanding service to our Nation.”

Dr. Donald S. Fredrickson, NIH Director, stated that Dr. Rauscher has been an effective leader of the National Cancer Program and that “the challenge to cancer has benefited from his devoted service.”

Dr. Rauscher has been Director of the National Cancer Institute and the National Cancer Program since May 1972.

The Combined Federal Campaign at NIH opens today (Oct. 5) and ends Oct. 29 with the major emphasis this year on increasing employee participation.

The CFC has exceeded its quota for employee participation. Full participation is spelled out in this year’s theme, “MORE PEOPLE GIVING, and people giving more.”

This Year’s Goal Set

The goal for NIH employees is $234,194. Last year’s quota was $199,400, with NIH contributing $204,326 or 103 percent of the original goal. The average gift was $35.11 from 5,819 employees.

The total Federal Government goal this year is $9.7 million, with HEW’s share being $714,008.

Labor-HEW Appropriations Bill Veto Is Overridden

Congress approved the conference report on the Labor-HEW appropriation bill for Fiscal 1977 on Sept. 17 and it was vetoed by the President on Sept. 29. A copy of NIH’s portion of the appropriation bill, as set forth in H.R. 14232, is on page 4.

As the Record went to press, Congress overrode the veto on Sept. 30.

Dr. Robert Gordon to Be Director’s Special Ass’t, Advise on Clinical Trials

Dr. Robert S. Gordon, Jr., has returned to NIH as Special Assistant to the Director after completing his Master of Health Sciences degree in epidemiology at Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health.

Since retiring from the PHS Commissioned Corps in September 1973, the former Associate Director for Clinical Care and Director of the Clinical Center has also been a part-time visiting professor in the Division of Clinical Investigation, Department of Social and Preventive Medicine, in the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

In his new position, Dr. Gordon will serve as a central contact for staff in the Office of the Director in relation to NIH’s involvement in large-scale clinical trials, assisting in assigning priorities.

In addition, he will assist NIH Director Dr. Donald S. Fredrickson by advising on interaction between the Director and B/L/D’s or Committees regarding monetary spending on large-scale clinical trials, numbers involved, and maintaining uniform high quality, given the necessarily limited resources available.

He views his position also as “an

(See DR. GORDON, Page 8)
FAES Extends Facilities
With New 'Faculty Club'

The Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences, sponsors of the Graduate and Undergraduate Program, the Bookstore, the music series, and other activities at NIH, has added another dimension.

With the purchase of the PHS Club at the corner of Old Georgetown Road and Cedar Lane, the Social and Academic Center will serve as an NIH "Faculty Club." Fall activities have begun. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12 to 2 p.m. the Center will be available for NIH groups to hold seminars. Kitchen facilities may be used for preparation of coffee, and soft drinks may be purchased.

Food and alcoholic beverages may be brought in for each occasion.

Reservations Suggested

Reservations may be made up to one month in advance at the FAES office, Ext. 65272. At least one member of the seminar group must be an FAES member, who is responsible for the group.

Tuesday and Thursday afternoons the Center will be open from 4:30 to 7 p.m. for members to drop in, relax, and chat. Soft drinks and light refreshments, such as potato chips, may be purchased at moderate cost. Members may bring their own alcoholic beverages, and each member may bring one guest at a fee of $1.

The Center is also available for rental for receptions and private parties. Further information and the fee schedule may be obtained from the FAES office, Ext. 65272.

Drug Info. for Patients—Nov. Symposium Planned

Drug Information for Patients: The Patient Package Insert is the topic of a symposium scheduled for Wednesday through Friday, Nov. 10-12, at the Shoreham Americana Hotel, Washington, D.C.

Jointly sponsored by the Drug Information Association, American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association, and the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association, the symposium will focus on and publish available information in response to both patient education and consumer protection needs.

Senator Kennedy to Speak

Senator Edward M. Kennedy will be the luncheon speaker on Nov. 11. Other noted speakers and panelists will discuss legislative, medical, industry, consumer, legal, and hospital viewpoints.

Dr. Eric W. Martin, Director of Professional Communications, FDA, will serve as general chairman for the symposium. For information concerning the program, contact Dr. Louis A. Morris, Office of New Drug Evaluation, HFD-102, Bureau of Drugs, FDA, Rockville, Md. 20852, or call (301) 443-4300.

For registration materials, contact Dr. Arthur A. Wykes, Toxicology Information Program, National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. 20014. Telephone (301) 496-1131.

For further information on HLA typing, call Joe Progar or Elmer Martino, Ext. 65200, between 2 to 4 p.m.

National Library of Medicine staff welcomed four new library associates at a reception on Sept. 8. Their year of training will include a series of lectures, demonstrations, and practical experience (with emphasis on reference and technical services), and individual projects related to developing or managing information systems and services.

Patricia Bosma (M.S.L., University of Maryland; B.S. in psychology from Towson State College, Md.), no stranger to NLM, has been here since 1972 as the coordinator for work performed by a company having several contracts with the Library.

Rebecca Davidson (M.S.L., and A.B. in psychology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill) for several years was a cataloger at the Wilson Library at U.N.C.

Lou Snyder (M.S.L., Indiana University, B.A. in zoology from Miami University, Ohio) held a graduate assistantship at Indiana U. Her area of concentration—computer applications and information science—will be particularly useful at NLM.

Judith Bube (M.S.L.S., University of Southern California, B.A. in telecommunications, California State University at Northridge) worked as a library assistant in serial records maintenance at USC. She became acquainted with MEDLINE while preparing an extensive annotated bibliography on the use of lithium carbonate to treat mental disorders.

Graduates May Apply

Library science graduates, with a master's-level degree by September 1977, are invited to apply for next year's library associate program. Inquiries may be sent to Maxine Hanke, Office of the Associate Director for Library Operations.

EEO Advisory Council Holds Meeting Open to All Oct. 13

A meeting of the NIH EEO Advisory Council, open to all NIH employees, will be held Wednesday, Oct. 13, in Wilson Hall, Bldg. 1, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Supervisors are encouraged to give interested employees flexibility in work schedules so that they may attend without charge to leave. In addition to asking questions of the Council members, committees, and EEO staff from the floor, written questions may be submitted ahead of time to the Communications Committee chairperson, Arthur Robinson, Bldg. 38, Room M111, by Oct. 6.
Natalie Davis Spingarn Will Discuss Her Book On Research Politics

Natalie Davis Spingarn, author of Heartbeat: The Politics of Health Research, will speak at a public information seminar on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 9:30 a.m. in Bldg. 31, Conference Room 5. Heartbeat was published on Sept. 13 by Robert B. Luce, Inc., of Washington and New York. It is a challenging account of the forces which impinge on biomedical research, and particularly NIH.

Mrs. Spingarn focuses on the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute in examining the changing scene at NIH, and the political processes which influence the changes.

A seasoned author with a special interest in health care matters, Mrs. Spingarn lives in Washington, D.C. She has had a varied career as a free lance writer, newspaper reporter, and government official. Her earlier book on the Public Health Service, To Save Your Life, won the 1963 Junior Literary Guild Award.

The meeting is one in a regularly scheduled series of seminars for the NIH information community, but limited seating is available at the Oct. 13 session for other interested NIH personnel.

Cleveland String Quartet Plays 1st Concert of FAES Series

The Cleveland String Quartet, an outstanding group of young American string players, will be joined by Robert Sylvester in a performance of a cello quintet by Schubert on Sunday, Oct. 10, at 4 p.m. in the Masur Auditorium.

This is the first of seven concerts in the 1976-77 series sponsored by the Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences. Admission is by ticket only.

Dr. Albert Sabin’s Achievements Acclaimed At Dinner Celebrating His 70th Birthday

Nearly 80 associates and friends of Dr. Albert Bruce Sabin celebrated the distinguished scientist’s 70th birthday on Sept. 11 at a dinner in a Bethesda hotel.

Former colleagues of Dr. Sabin’s from the biomedical research community—including NIH and the armed services—attended as well as his wife, Heloisa, and two daughters, Deborah and Amy.

NIH Requires Autoclaving Of All Infectious Waste

All infectious waste shall be autoclaved before disposal.

The policy that infectious waste be autoclaved before disposal is specified in the NIH Instruction and Information Memo (ESB 76-2) dated July 15, 1976.

An article printed in the NIH Record (Sept. 21, 1976, p. 3) on phasing out of metal trash cans at NIH and their replacement with disposable waste containers did not specify that this requirement continues despite other changes in the waste disposal system.

Annual NCI Safety Symposium To Consider Lab Ventilation

The annual NCI Cancer Research Safety Symposium will be held Oct. 21-22 in the Post Theater at the Frederick Cancer Research Center at Fort Detrick.

The symposium on Laboratory Ventilation for Hazard Control may be of interest to administrators, project directors, safety officers, facility engineers, and architectural and engineering consultants who plan and implement air flow systems in biomedical research facilities.

For further information, contact Leon Idoine at (301) 663-7167.

Arthur McKay Is Now Emergency Coordinator

Dr. Arthur G. McKay, formerly assistant chief, 4%r Management Branch, and chief of the Evaluation Section, Division of Administrative Services, has been appointed Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, succeeding Lloyd R. Stewart, who has retired.

Mr. McKay came to NIH in 1963 as an NIH Police investigator. He had 28 years of previous government service as a veteran of World War II and in the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C.

In his new position he will coordinate plans concerning supplies, safety, and community aid with State and county governments in the area and with the Federal Emergency Preparedness Office in the Parklawn Bldg.

Dr. Michael Gough Is New Grants Associate

Dr. Michael Gough, former associate professor, State University of New York, Stony Brook, has joined the NIH Grants Associates Program for a year of training in health science administration.

Graduated From Grinnell

A 1961 graduate of Grinnell College, Dr. Gough received his Ph.D. degree in biology in 1966 from Brown University, where he was a PHS trainee from 1963 to 1965. He was a postdoctoral fellow in the department of human genetics at the University of Michigan from 1965 to 1968.

Then he joined the faculty of Baylor College of Medicine as assistant professor of microbiology. While there he received support under a General Research Support Grant, and held National Science Foundation and American Cancer Society research grants.

Held Second NSF Grant

In 1972 he accepted the position of assistant professor of microbiology at the State University of New York, Stony Brook, becoming associate professor in 1975. At Stony Brook, he was the recipient of another National Science Foundation grant.

He is listed in American Men of Science and Who's Who in the East.

Dr. Gough has published more than 20 research papers in genetics and biochemistry of lysozyme.

In 1971 Dr. Gough was Fulbright Lecturer at the Universidad Peruana “Cayetano Heredia,” Lima, Peru, and in 1975 at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.
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SLUC (Standard Level User Charge) represents G.S.A. fees for rental buildings.

**Noted Cholera Researcher Dr. Robert Phillips Dies**

Dr. Robert Allan Phillips, 70, former director of the Pakistan-SEATO Cholera Research Laboratory in Dacca, East Pakistan—now Bangladesh—died in the Philippines Sept. 20. The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases has been managing the laboratory for NIH since 1962.

A noted choloera researcher and international leader in public health, Dr. Phillips’ research led to the development of physiologic solutions for the treatment of cholera, which has reduced the death rate from this disease to less than 1 percent today compared with 40 to 50 percent 20 years ago.

At the Pakistan-SEATO Cholera Research Laboratory he supervised studies including the evaluation of cholera vaccines developed by NIAID and other scientists.

Dr. Phillips retired from the Naval Medical Corps in 1965, after serving as commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit No. 2 in Taipei, Taiwan, from 1955 to 1965. Previously, he had worked as a physiologist at the Cornell University Medical School and the Rockefeller Institute in New York.

He received his M.D. degree from Washington University in St. Louis, and was the recipient of numerous awards, including the James D. Bruce award from the American College of Physicians, the Lasker award, and the Stitt award.

At the time of his death, Dr. Phillips was studying problems of nutrition in the developing countries.

**In her new position, Dr. Harris will be engaged in a variety of special studies involving analysis of current activities of the Program and long-range planning.**

Dr. Maureen Harris has been appointed as special assistant in the Kidney, Urologic, and Blood Diseases Program of the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases.

With Dr. Nancy Cummings, associate director for the Program, and other experts in the field, Dr. Harris will investigate the incidence of kidney and urologic diseases and the demographic characteristics of groups at high risk, in order to assess the extent and impact of these diseases and their implications for public health.

These data, in conjunction with the recent NIAMDD evaluation study of nephrology and urology, will be used to plan for future research and training to be supported by the Institute.

Dr. Harris earned a B.S. in chemistry from George Washington University in 1964, a Ph.D. in biochemistry from Yale University in 1968, and a Masters in Public Health from Johns Hopkins School of Public Health in 1976.

From 1968 to 1970 she conducted research on ribosome structure/function relationships in NIAMDD's Laboratory of Biochemical Pharmacology, before joining the Fogarty International Center.

As health scientist administrator in the FIC's Conference Program she developed and administered a series of seminars and workshops on a variety of biomedical research topics. These meetings were designed to foster international collaboration in health and to stimulate promising new research.

Nat'l Capital Area Officials
For CFC Campaign Are Named

The CFC Chairman for the National Capital Area is Richard L. Roudebush, Administrator of the Veterans Administration. HEW Secretary David Mathews is again serving as CFC chairman for the Department.

Dr. John Ottina, Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, HEW, is serving as vice-chairman, and James Palma is campaign coordinator for HEW, assisted by Ms. Laureen Clarendon.

In the Washington Metropolitan Area, 79.6 percent of the Federal employees participated in the CFC. The average employee gift was $35.46.
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Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Carroll, Charles, Frederick, Harford, Howard, and St. Mary's counties of Maryland. This designation may be made on the back of the pledge card.

Contributions so designated will be credited to the NIH campaign, but forwarded to the county campaigns as indicated by the contributor.

3 Agencies Benefit

The Combined Federal Campaign benefits three major charitable agencies. Two-thirds of the funds go to the United Way—145 local health and welfare agencies, including the United Black Fund. Almost 16 percent goes to the 11 national health organizations of the National Health Agencies, and about 7 percent is allotted to the five International Service Agencies.

The remaining 10 percent is accounted for by non-payment of pledges and administrative costs, which are almost 4 percent.

Last year at NIH, of the 18 units contributing to the campaign, 12 either reached or topped 100 percent of their goals. NIA finished at the top of the list with 176 percent of its quota, and an average gift of $40.40. Runner-up was NIGMS, at 165 percent and $35.33 per person, followed by NIAMD, with 146 percent and $67.20 per person.

Others over 100 percent were: NLM, 145; NIDR, 113, and NINCDs, 110.

The largest average gift per person was donated by NIAMD, which turned in $67.20 per contributor. Highest participation honors went to NIGMS, with 100 percent of its employees giving.

Dr. C. Q. Gonzales Named Director, NIH Minority Biomed. Support Program

Dr. Ciriaco Q. Gonzales has been appointed director of the NIH Minority Biomedical Support Program.

The MBS program is designed to strengthen the biomedical research activities of institutions with substantial ethnic minority enrollments. Implemented in 1972 by the Division of Research Resources, the program now involves over 75 institutions throughout the country with an annual budget of over $8 million.

Joined NIH in 1972

Dr. Gonzales joined NIH in August 1972 as a health scientist administrator in the MBS program, and has served as executive secretary of the General Research Support Program Advisory Committee.

A native of New Mexico, Dr. Gonzales graduated from New Mexico State University with a B.S. in biology, earned his M.S. in pesticide toxicology at the University of Arizona, and received his doctorate in entomology at the University of California, Berkeley.

'Lucky 13' Rally Celebrates 13th Year of CFC at NIH

A "Lucky 13" Combined Federal Campaign rally will be held in Bldg. 1, Wilson Hall, on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 10 a.m.

Campaign officials are celebrating the 13th year of CFC at NIH. NIH Director Dr. Donald S. Fredrickson, campaign chairman, will speak at the rally, open to all employees. Mike Bass, former Redskins star, will also speak, and musical entertainment is scheduled.

'Candy Strippers' Aid Clinical Center Nurses, Discover Contact With Patients Rewarding

Working to assist professional nurses at the Clinical Center, Junior Red Cross volunteers perform many necessary chores, allowing the nurses to pay more attention to patients.

These "candy strippers," high school and college teenagers, usually work on the units one day or night a week, helping the nurses and patients in whatever way possible.

M.C. Red Cross Recruits

The 27 junior volunteers who worked in the Clinical Center this past summer were recruited by the Montgomery County Red Cross, and some who remain in this area continue working here.

They undertake a wide range of tasks, such as delivering messages, escorting patients around the CC, answering the phone, and filling in for the nursing unit clerk. Most important of all, the candy strippers spend time with the patients.

Novices in Hospital

Most volunteers find this contact with both young and old patients challenging yet rewarding, and say they wouldn't trade the opportunity to work here even for a paying summer or part-time job.

Many of the volunteers were working in a hospital environment for the first time, and whatever their future plans—whether medical, physical therapy, dietetics, nursing, social work, psychology, or drama—the young volunteers admitted they had achieved an increase in personal awareness and now recognized the importance of the human factor in today's hospital or clinic.

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Marcia Rennington is a sophomore psychology major at Emory University.

A senior at Perry High School, 17-year-old Karen Ochert is interested in physical therapy and music.

Diana Radentz is a junior in dietetics at Frostburg State College, spent the summer as a volunteer on Nursing Unit 2-East.

Pam Meyers, a junior drama major at Frostburg State College, spent the summer as a volunteer on Nursing Unit 2-East.

Dr. Gonzales, who is a member of the NIH Director's Coordinating Committee for Minority Research and Training, is also on the board of directors of the Society for Advancement of Chicano and Native Americans in Science, an AAAS affiliate.

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Workshop to Investigate New Tests to Detect Mutations in Mammals

A workshop on mammalian mutagenesis is being organized at the Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor, Maine, Oct. 6-8, by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

The emphasis will be on developing new improved test systems to detect and assess mutations, or changes in the genetic material, in mammals. The primary concern will center on systems that measure or assess heritable changes.

At present, only a few test methods are available for assessing mutations in mammals. These methods are inefficient and do not permit the needed broad testing of new chemical compounds and hazardous agents being introduced into our environment daily.

More Tests Needed

In general, current methods are costly and uncover only a limited part of possible mutagenic events in mammals. Because of increasing exposure, it is urgent that more efficient mammalian test systems be developed.

These tests must cover the important parts of the mutagenic spectrum and, at the same time, retain the characteristics of reliability, reproducibility, and sensitivity.

The 3-day workshop, organized by Dr. William Sheridan of NIEHS and Dr. T. H. Roderick of the Jackson Laboratory, will bring together scientists who are developing test methods with others in related fields whose expertise might lead to new methodologies.

Participants will include scientists involved in mammalian genetics, as well as those concerned with biochemical and immunogenetics, embryology and development, cytogenetics, quantitative genetics, and behavioral genetics.

The workshop is not intended to focus on methods already in use. Instead, participants are responsible for providing information on test methods in development or contemplated for development.

For additional information, contact Dr. Sheridan, NIEHS Environmental Mutagenesis Branch, on (919) 549-8411, Ext. 3287, or (FTS) 629-3287.

'Learn Not to Burn!' Theme Of Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 3-9, is the time to "Learn Not to Burn!" It is the time to focus on fire safety at home, work, play, and elsewhere.

This week there is a display in the main lobby of the Clinical Center of available fire safe materials. Emergency evacuation drills are also being conducted this week in buildings on the reservation and off campus.

The Health's Angels, NIH's Jogging Club, celebrated their first anniversary by co-sponsoring with the D.C. Road Runners Club a running event open to NIH employees and area residents on Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Kongar Recreational Center.

Ribbons Awarded

All 106 participants, including many women and children, received blue ribbons for completing a 2-mile Run for Your Life course. The 5-mile run attracted 117 competitors who also received ribbons, and awards donated by a local sporting goods store were given to different classes of runners.

Begin in September 1975 with the objective of encouraging maintenance of physical fitness through jogging, Health's Angels have participated in and sponsored numerous events in their first year.

Fun Runs are held on the first and third Fridays of each month, starting from the Cell Exhibit near Bldg. 1. Some members also participate in monthly Government Intergency runs held at the Tidal Basin.

The year's highlights included: the Washington's Birthday Marathon, the Cherry Blossom 10-mile run, a Bicentennial Run on July 2 at NIH (25 participants in a 1-mile run on campus, and a 13-mile run to the White House).

Women Win First

In a 4-person 25-mile relay sponsored by D.C. Road Runners, NIH entered four teams, the women's team winning first place in that category. Several NIH'ers competed in a Virginia 10-miler with Frank Shorter, Bill Rodgers, and other famous long distance runners.

A major team event was the Sixth Annual Runners World East Coast 24-Hour Relay held at Fort Meade, Md. Teams of 2-10 runners ran consecutively in a set sequence for 24 hours, with winners designated by the greatest distance covered in that time.

Stamina Shows

The NIH 10-person team finished in 17th place among 31 teams totaling 280 participants. Five of the nine NIH'ers who finished the event received individual trophies in specific categories.

NIH employees and members of their families are invited to join this active group of jogging enthusiasts by calling Dr. David Young, Ext. 65433, or Jay Miller, Ext. 66941, during the membership drive ending Oct. 15.
NIH Visiting Scientists
Program Participants

9/1—Dr. Sten Olof Martin Hellstrom, Sweden, Laboratory of Preclinical Pharmacology. Sponsor: Dr. Erminio Costa, NIMH, WAW Bg., St. Elizabeths Hospital.
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9/2—Dr. Werner Schlegel, Switzerland, Laboratory of Nutrition and Endocrinology. Sponsor: Dr. Martin Rodbell, NIAMDD, Bg. 6, Rm. B126.
9/7—Dr. George Andrews, India, Surgical Neurology Branch. Sponsor: Dr. Choh-Luh Li, NINCDS, Bg. 10, Rm. 6N113.
9/7—Dr. Erminio Costa, NIMH, WAW Bg. 3, Rm. 222.
9/7—Dr. Colin F. Chignell, NHLBI, Bg. 10, Rm. 2D11.
9/8—Dr. Maria J. Mazon, Spain, Laboratory of Biochemistry. Sponsor: Dr. Earl R. Stadtman, NHLBI, Bg. 3, Rm. 222.
9/8—Dr. Faizaan Ahmad, India, Laboratory of Biochemistry and Metabolism. Sponsor: Dr. William B. Jakoby, NIAMDD, Bg. 10, Rm. 9N109.
9/10—Dr. Sten Olof Martin Hellstrom, Sweden, Laboratory of Preclinical Pharmacology. Sponsor: Dr. Karl A. Piez, NIDR, Bg. 10, Rm. 8N315.
9/10—Dr. Robert McNburney, Australia, Laboratory of Neurophysiology. Sponsor: Dr. M. G. F. Fuortes, NINCDS, Bg. 36, Rm. 5A315.
9/12—Dr. Subbaratnam Muthukrishnan, India, Laboratory of Molecular Biology. Sponsor: Dr. Elizabeth Maxwell, NIAMDD, Bg. 2, Rm. 222.
9/12—Dr. Menachem Nitzan, Israel, Neonatal and Pediatric Medicine Branch. Sponsor: Dr. Joseph Schultman, NICHD, Bg. 10, Rm. 13N256.
9/12—Dr. Nicolaie Popeseu, Romania, Biology Branch. Sponsor: Dr. Joseph DiPalu, NCI, Bg. 37, Rm. 2A13.

Visits From Poland

9/8—Dr. Wlodzimierz Sasak, Poland, Experimental Pathology Section. Sponsor: Dr. Umberto Saffiotti, NCI, Bg. 37, Rm. 3A19.
9/12—Dr. Robert McNburney, Australia, Laboratory of Neurophysiology. Sponsor: Dr. M. G. F. Fuortes, NINCDS, Bg. 36, Rm. 2B21.
9/15—Dr. Susan Watson, United Kingdom, Laboratory of Molecular Biology. Sponsor: Dr. Edward J. Leonard, NCI, Bg. 37, Rm. 2B21.
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9/21—Dr. Ido Perlman, Israel, Laboratory of Neurophysiology. Sponsor: Dr. Richard Normann, NICHD, Bg. 10, Rm. 10B09.
9/21—Dr. Tadaomi Takenawa, Japan, Clinical Endocrinology Branch. Sponsor: Dr. Jacob Robbins, NIAMDD, Bg. 10, Rm. 5N315.
9/21—Dr. Wolfie Traub, Israel, Laboratory of Neurophysiology. Sponsor: Dr. Karl A. Piez, NIDR, Bg. 30, Rm. 106.

Dr. Jan Wolff, Thyroid Researcher in NIAMDD, Gives Eli Lilly Lecture

Dr. Jan Wolff, associate chief of NIAMDD's Clinical Endocrinology Branch, recently presented the 1976 Eli Lilly Lecture at the national meeting of the Endocrine Society in San Francisco. Spon- sored by the Lilly Research Laboratories, the Lectureship is awarded annually for scientific achievement in endocrinology.

Cited for Hormone Studies

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Construction of the planned Ambulatory Care Research Facility on the north side of the Clinical Center will result in the re-routing of buses, since the main entrance to the CC Bldg. 10 around January 1977. NIH-bound buses traveling south on Old Georgetown Road will enter the reservation by turning left on Center Drive, turn right on South Drive, continuing west back to Old Georgetown Road.

Northbound buses on Old Georgetown Road will turn right into Lincoln Drive, left on Convent Drive to South Drive, right on South Drive to Center Drive.

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Howard Kettl Appointed Executive Officer of CC

In recognition of his many achievements at NIH, Mr. Kettl received a DHEW Superior Service Award in 1966, and last year was honored with an EEO award for his contributions to the NIH Equal Employment Opportunity programs.

Howard Kettl, former Deputy Associate Director for Administration, NIH, has been appointed Executive Officer of the Clinical Center.

He succeeds L. Earl Laurence, who recently became director of a private hospital in Illinois.

Mr. Kettl will advise the CC Director on program management, coordinate management of CC programs, and implement policies involving more than 1,850 employees assigned to the 540-bed hospital staff, which includes scientists as well as laboratory and support personnel.

His responsibilities will extend to the new ambulatory care center scheduled to begin construction in January 1977.

This 13-story building will provide facilities for treating many more outpatients than are now being seen at the CC. It will also house laboratories for research associated with clinical studies.

Mr. Kettl came to NIH in 1952 as a financial analyst at the CC. In 1955 he joined the Office of the Director, NIH.

As Deputy Associate Director for Administration, Mr. Kettl initiated, developed, and assisted in directing activities involving financial management, personnel, engineering, procurement, contracts and grants management, and management studies.

He also participated in planning and effecting major NIH reorganizations, and has served on several NIH committees concerned with the administration of medical research.

Federal health and environmental officials met at NIH with pediatricians, obstetricians, and other specialists on Sept. 23 to review and evaluate the Environmental Protection Agency’s recently reported sampling of PCBs in the fat of mothers’ milk. This meeting, sponsored by the DHEW Committee to Coordinate Toxicology and Related Programs in cooperation with the EPA, engendered a great deal of public interest (left). Above, Dr. David P. Rall, Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences and chairman of the DHEW Committee (center) conducted the meeting. Dr. Raymond E. Shapiro (left), director for Toxicology Coordination, NIEHS, and Glenn B. Schmitz, director of the Office of Toxic Substances, EPA, also participated in the meeting.

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Substantially more white persons had hospital coverage than did members of other races, 81 and 58 percent, respectively.

About 44 percent of those with hospital insurance were members of a "blue" plan.

For the population aged 65 and over, 96 percent had Medicare coverage and more than half also had supplementary private health insurance.

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