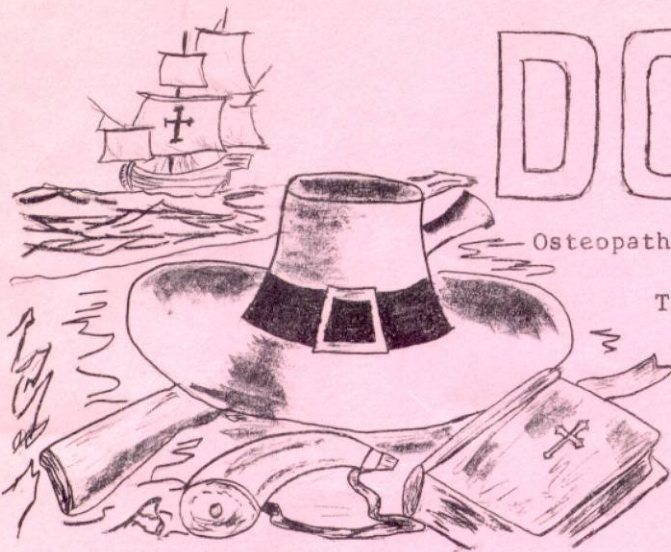


# DOINGS

Osteopathic Hospital of Maine

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## STAFF NEWS

Dr. Hetzler and Dr. Jensen are doing a lot of guitar playing lately. They have been spending several Friday evenings with their guitars. Dr. Hetzler is the singer. He has a tape recorder and they are hoping that Dr. Hetzler will take the tapes up to surgery. This particular repertoire is to be entitled "Music to Suture by".

Dr. Stockwell is back to work after an extended stay as a patient at OHM.

Dr. Eugene Puffer and his wife recently joined Dr. Wallis Bursey and his family for a trip to New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Dr. Bursey is the former Maine State Association President and is currently practicing in West Medford, Massachusetts. Dr. Bursey demonstrated his lack of seamanship on the St. John-Digby ferry Queen of Acadia.

The interns have recently finished an orientation visitation program to Pineland Hospital and Training Center in Pownal.

Dr. Puffer will be traveling to Portugal, Germany and Austria for six weeks leaving on the 12th of December. He will be doing post graduate surgical studies.

Drs. T. Allen, E. Puffer and J. Roncskevitz will be at the New York University the 2nd and 3rd of December to attend a course in traumatology. The course will feature an international group of lecturers. Dr. Roncskevitz is a former resident at OHM and is currently Chairman of the Department of Surgery at the Osteopathic Hospital in Mountsville West Virginia.

Dr. Herrick just returned from Philadelphia and York, Pennsylvania where he did postgraduate studies in internal medicine.

Dr. Keating recently visited with Dr. Boyd Button at the Memorial Osteopathic Hospital in York, Pennsylvania. Dr. Button sent his regards to the people at OHM.

On October the 16th the first of several staff dances was held, this event taking place at Sunset Park, South Portland. Approximately 15 couples had a most enjoyable evening and had the added pleasure of listening and dancing to the music of Al Reali's band.

Dr. Buzzell participated in a postgraduate program sponsored by the American College of Osteopathic Internists on November 13th in York Pennsylvania. The following week Dr. Buzzell participated in conference sessions on Medicare at Social Security Headquarters in Baltimore.

## NURSING

We have some new members added to the 7-3 shift. Mrs. Lorraine Bennet, L.P.N., who has come to us from the 3-11 shift. Mrs. Mollie Edwards, L.P.N., has become a member of our SCU staff 7-3.

Doris Downs, L. P. N., is now a regular member of our 2nd floor staff. David Dodge is working as an orderly a few hours daily in conjunction with his school work.

Martha Loring, L.P.N., has also joined our 1st floor staff, coming to us from the 3-11 shift.

We welcome back Mrs. Lennie Fraser to 1st floor--Mrs. Fraser has been on the absentee list for some time due to a fractured wrist.

Mrs. Ruth Lord, Director of Nurses, is back in her office after a few weeks away from the hospital. During these weeks Mrs. Lord combined vacation and "back to school" activities at the University of Maine campus in Orono.

Mrs. Shirley Wagner has also had "back to school" activity. The sessions she attended being held in Augusta.

Joan McPhail has returned to her duties as Emergency Room nurse after a delightful motor trip to Mexico and Southwestern U.S.

We congratulate Mr. William Muller on his performance in "The Disenchanted" which was recently produced by the Portland Players. Many nurses were in evidence at the Play House opening night.

Valeria Mullin is back with us on first floor, after an absence of several weeks due to surgery.

Mrs. Ethel Greene is now a surgical patient--making a good recovery.

Janet Peterson, L.P.N., has recently transferred from 2nd floor to the surgical nursing department.

Fred Smith is now preaching at a church in West Poland every Sunday, in addition to his duties as orderly at OHM.

New members of 3-11 staff are: Mildred Ferrell in SCU, Bonnie Harmon on 1st floor and Irene Greene on 2nd floor.

Kathy Orr has been working part time 3-11 which has been a great help to us.

Miss Joyce Day, 11-7, has joined the nursing staff. And also Miss Karen Hill, who expects to leave soon for the Air Force. Best of luck Karen.

Mrs. Dorothea Libby, who took a trip across the country in September, had her first bit of winter in Wyoming where they were stranded for two days.

Congratulations to Mrs. Lois Farr on her twin grandchildren.

## WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

At candlelit tables in the Parish Hall of Woodfords Congregational Church, approximately 300 persons dined at the Harvest Supper sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary on Wednesday, October 27th. The annual event, which was organized this year by Mrs. Stanley H. Rowe, earned a profit of \$445.38.

"We were most pleased with the delightful setting this year," Mrs. Rowe commented. "We were pleased, too, with the support received from friends and appreciated all the help provided by the hospital kitchen, particularly Earl McCarthy, who ordered, glazed, and baked all the hams for the meal."

Served family style, the supper menu included baked ham, macaroni casserole, squash, coleslaw, mustard pickles, rolls, apple pie, and beverages. Auxiliary members baked the casseroles and pies, and Mrs. Vernon Webber Jr. of Scarboro donated the cabbage. The squash was contributed by Mrs. John Flaherty of Scarboro and Mr. Webber, while Mrs. James Griffin of South Gorham donated the mustard pickles.

Donation Day, the annual occasion when individuals and businesses in the area bring in items of use to the hospital (and financial gifts), took place Thursday, November 18th. Mrs. Keith Buzzell was Chirman of the event this year, and members of the Auxiliary were present in the lobby to accept the donations.

Apples, squash, potatoes, other fruits and vegetables, towels and sheets are examples of Donation Day contributions. Preliminary reports indicate a very successful day.

Christmas gifts and decorations will be on sale on tables in the hospital lobby soon. The sale will be sponsored by the Gift Shop. Mrs. Harry J. Petri, Gift Shop Chairman, purchased most of the items on a recent trip to Boston. The sale will include many items not usually available at the hospital gift shop.

#### MEDICAL RECORDS

Audrey Haley, one of our Medical Secretaries, with the help of a dear friend of her parents, surprised them on their 25th anniversary. It took quite a bit of running around and telling small fibs, but they truly were surprised October 12th and we understand everyone enjoyed the party a great deal.

Helen Briggs spent last week on vacation with her daughter and family who drove up from Long Island to be with her.

Nancy Curtis, Record Room secretary, is now a qualified, certified mouth-to-mouth resuscitator rescuer. Medical Records can now breathe easier. She has her certificate to prove it.

The 37th Annual Convention of Medical Librarians was held in Cleveland, Ohio this year and Helen Briggs attended the sessions during the week of October 10th through the 15th. The convention was held at the Sheraton Cleveland Hotel and since this was the first for Helen, she enjoyed every minute of it and learned quite a bit. Total attendance was 928, including a librarian from Hawaii who brought along leis for the out-going President and the in-coming President.

Aili Owens and her husband went over to Laconia, N.H. recently to visit with their daughter who is a teacher there. They had dinner together and enjoyed the outing very much.

The Record Room extends a warm welcome to Sara Orr. Sara and Dr. Valley have reminisced to some extent about their home town, Muskegon, Michigan.

Audrey Haley was a bridesmaid at her brother's wedding recently in Massachusetts.

Sandy Smith and her husband are looking forward to a long skiing season so that they can really enjoy their ski chalet in Bethel. Happy landing, Sandy!

#### ADMITTING OFFICE

Lt. Judith Miller is now in Japan in charge of the wounded Koreans that are being sent to Japan after fighting in Viet Nam. She received special orders from Washington and was detached from her group and sent out alone. She said that they each work 12 hours a day caring for the wounded Koreans.

## OHM GUILD

Officers for the period ending June 1966 are as follows:

Mrs. Ralph Finch-President  
Mrs. Howard Gothrow-Vice President  
Mrs. Durward Crockett-Treasurer  
Mrs. Ivan Traver-Secretary

There will be a Christmas party on December 8th at 6:30 p.m. for all members of the Guild at the Cloyester Hotel in South Portland. After the dinner a party will be held at Barbara Benner's home, 19 Pitt Street. Mrs. Lola Traver is in charge of reservations. Telephone 797-2981

The annual day to decorate the hospital for Christmas has been set for Saturday, December 18th. All who are able to help please meet at the hospital at 10:00 a. m. Many hands make light work.

Members of the Guild have recently completed the tray favors for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

## BUSINESS OFFICE

Alora Hight was recently married and has moved to Auburn.

Sharon Kiley has recently gone to work in the office from the Record Room.

## CHAPLAIN'S DEPARTMENT

Rev. William Panton, Chaplain, and Rev. Richard Sheesley, Assistant Chaplain, attended a church conference in Miami, Florida, recently.

Rev. Panton is presently a patient in the Maine Medical Center with an inner ear infection.

## LABORATORY

Betty Fleenor has recently retired and will be at home.

Nancy Therrien recently left for Connecticut where she has accepted a new position.

Linda Havey felt the yen to travel and has also left us. We will miss them all very much.

Sylvia Graffam has just returned to work from two weeks vacation.

Sue Clary has recently joined the laboratory staff as secretary to Dr. Jensen.

## SOCIAL SERVICE

Owen O'Donnell, St. Michael's College, will spend Thanksgiving with his family at Cape Elizabeth.

## MAINE OSTEOPATHIC ASSISTANTS ASS'N

The October and November meetings of the M.O.A.A. were held in the Auditorium of the hospital. Dr. M. Carman Pettapiece, and Dr. Arthur S. Billings spoke on X-ray therapy.

The January meeting will be held Wednesday, January 19, 1966 at the Waterville Osteopathic Hospital.

## DIETARY DEPARTMENT

On a hunting trip over Veteran's Day our chef Earl McCarthy was the only one to bring home any game. Yes--Earl shot a weasel! I wonder if he went "pop"? The Hunting party also included Chris Olsen, Bucky Miller and Bob Caldwell. It's rumored they didn't even take any shells with them!

New employees we want to welcome to our department are Carole Burnell, Carol O'Donnell, Gail Knight, Linda Hudson, Harry New and Raymond McDonald.

Two of our employees were recently hospitalized. These are Glenys Morton and Irene Dolloff. I'm happy to report Glenys has already returned to work and Irene is coming back

by the first of the month.

The Annual meeting of the Maine Dietetic Association was held at the Eastern Maine General Hospital in Bangor on November 12th. Carolyn Bradley represented this hospital and was elected treasurer for the coming year.

We are happy to see Joe Resnick back from his wonderful vacation. Joe and his family rented a trailer and toured the United States--visiting from Florida to California. One of the highlights of the trip was their visit to Disneyland.

We're happy to hear of the engagement of our Jacqueline Croteau to Philip Hudson. They were childhood neighbors----but didn't know each other then. They plan to be married in June.

#### PHARMACY

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Johnson are happy to announce the arrival of Karen Lee on October 22nd.

#### STAFF

Dr. Lowell Barnes got a buck the first day of the hunting season. This has limited the rest of his hunting to bear, fox, etc.

#### CHRONIC CARE

Mr. James Johnson has replaced Mr. Hankard as orderly in Chronic Care. Mr. Johnson comes to us from Togus Veteran's Hospital.

#### MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Welcome to George Stilphen--the latest addition to our department. He has replaced Dick Ware. Dick was with us for ten years, but he has had to leave for the health of one of his children who needs a warmer climate. The Wares will be living in Arizona or somewhere on the West Coast. I'll bet they'll miss our "White Christmas" though.

Aren't the new double doors to the ground floor entrance nice? They'll keep the whole area warmer this winter. Another new and welcome addition are the storm doors on the balconies and transoms to the front of the main building.

#### HOUSEKEEPING DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Lillian Walker had a visit from her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Hilton of Vernon, Connecticut on the weekend of October 22nd.

Joe Bragg, with husband Dana and son Durwood, took a long weekend hunting trip to Smyrna Mills from October 28-31.

Mildred Scott and Miriam Bisbee were out on vacation in late September and each spent one riotous day at Cumberland Fair.

Olive Blake and Teresa Webb also have been on vacation. Olive says she spent her vacation doing very little, and Teresa states simply, that she "worked".