

Supt's Corner



by Charles H. Frenzel

From the time a Medical Center building project is authorized until construction actually begins anywhere from eight months to a year may be required for the comprehensive planning process.

On September 5, 1962, the Building Committee of Duke University approved the construction of a building to connect the main Hospital with the Diagnostic and Treatment Building to the front of the Hospital. Negotiations with architects began and about one month later the firm of Wheeler, Perkins and Will were employed as architects. This firm had to assign its team of architects and other specialists, and free their time for the long job ahead. Late in November the first stage of the planning process began.

The first major planning step is to program the functions and activities which will be carried on in the new building and the effect these will have on the entire Medical Center operation. Each area on each floor must be carefully programmed. Each faculty and staff member who can contribute to the proposed program must be represented in the discussions. Late in November the planning interviews began and to this date over 50 planning conferences have been held. Between each of these sessions the architects must analyze the information and prepare preliminary program plans. It is anticipated that by the end of February the entire program for the building will be completed.

It is then that the preliminary plans for the building can be drawn, a process normally requiring about one month. Upon acceptance of these drawings the architects prepare detailed working drawings and specifications. Three to four months are needed to complete these blueprints and detailed instructions to the builder.

One more month is required for the advertising of bids and the

Did You Know That?

1. Over 6,000 people enter and leave the Medical Center every day.
2. 3,476,000 pounds of laundry were processed in our laundry last year.
3. Since 1955 over 12 million dollars has been spent on new buildings and renovation in the Medical Center.
4. Last year for the first time in the Medical Center's history over 1,000,000 laboratory procedures were done.
5. It costs \$3,275.00 per year to train one medical student.

Health Careers Congress Visits Duke

The second annual North Carolina Health Careers Congress, held February 8 and 9 with headquarters at the Jack Tar Hotel, took advantage of the concentration of medical talent and facilities in the Durham area. Looking toward tomorrow's health needs and ways of meeting them, the Congress introduced some 400 high school students from throughout the State to health professions that range from medicine and nursing to less well known but highly important careers such as hospital administration, medical record library science and medical technology.

Sponsoring agencies were the Health Careers Clubs of North Carolina, the North Carolina League for Nursing and the North Carolina Hospital Education and Research Foundation. H. C. Cranford, Jr., public relations director for the Hospital Care Association, headed local arrangements. Commenting on the aims of the Con-

awarding of contracts to the successful bidders.

This is an involved process but every step in it is equally important to our objective: a well designed, soundly engineered building, capable of providing for the expansion and improvement of certain functions of our Medical Center.

gress, Mr. Cranford said that "since each health profession has its own special educational requirements, the high school years are an ideal time for students to begin thinking about specific careers. The Congress provided a broad view of many major health professions and at the same time offered detailed guidance to all who desired it."

Visits to Duke Hospital, Watts, Lincoln and North Carolina Memorial highlighted the Congress program. Another featured event was a series of workshops which provided detailed information about health careers. Personnel from Duke and the other cooperating institutions served as consultants for these sessions. The Duke Hospital Auxiliary and selected students from the School of Nursing assisted in Congress activities.



James C. Mau

James Mau Appointed in Medical OPC

James Mau has recently been appointed Manager of the Medical Out-Patient Clinics. He succeeds Stanley Elwell who has been named Director of the Out-Patient Department.

A native of Douglas, Wyoming, Mr. Mau attended high school in Charles City, Iowa, and was graduated in 1957 from the University of Iowa. From 1957 to 1961 he served in the U. S. Marine Corps with the rank of 1st Lieutenant. Before joining the Medical Center staff, he had been associated with the American Hospital Supply Corporation in Rochester, Minnesota.

Mr. Mau is married and has one son, Gregory.