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Duke Announces As You Grow Older... Six Promotions **OARS Offers Guidance**

Six faculty members at the medical center have been promoted. University Provost Frederic N. Cleaveland announced. They are Drs. Dani P. Bolognesi, William D. Currie, Hal Gravely Gillespie, Patrick A. McKee, Newland H. Oldham, and Adhemar W. Renuart.

Bolognesi, promoted to associate professor of surgery, received a B.S. in biology from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1963 and an M.S. in circobiology in 1965, also from Rensselaer. He received his Ph.D. in virology from Duke in 1967. Since 1971 he has been an assistant professor of surgery and microbiology at the medical center.

Currie, new associate professor of radiology, attended Davidson College where he earned a B.S. in chemistry and biology in 1957. He received an M.S. in biochemistry from the University of North Carolina in 1962 and a Ph.D. in biochemistry in 1964, also from U.N.C. In 1967 Dr. Currie came to Duke to serve on the faculty as assistant professor of radiology.

An assistant professor of medicine and biochemistry at the medical center since 1971, McKee has been promoted to associate professor of medicine. He attended the University of Tulsa as an undergraduate and received an M.D. from the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine in 1962.

Oldham has been promoted to associate professor of surgery. He did his undergraduate work at Rice Institute in Houston, Tex., and earned the M.D. degree from Baylor University College of Medicine in 1961. Oldham served his residency at Johns Hopkins and Duke and was named assistant professor of surgery in 1970.

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Mr. S., 67 years old has been retired for two years. Since that time he has become increasingly irritable and has lost interest in everything that was once enjoyable to him.

Mrs. M., age 61, recently lost her husband of 40 years in a car accident. The couple had no children and had been very close throughout their married life. Mrs. M., felt very lost and alone and



HANDS OF TIME—As part of the counseling services offered by the OARS program, home visits are frequently made for those patients who are unable to come to the OARS office for treatment. In the background is rehabilitation counselor Evonne Yancey who is counseling a patient at a home visit. The intensely clasped hands of her patient speak for themselves.

wondered if she could go on without her husband.

Where did these troubled people turn for help? To the Older Americans Resources and Services Program (OARS) which is sponsored by the Duke University Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development and supported by the Administration On Aging of the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

It was through OARS help that Mr. S. and his wife received counseling. Mr. S. learned to understand the difficulties of adjusting to retirement and the importance of finding meaningful activities in his free time. He has since become involved in volunteer work and is enjoying a new outlook on his retired life.

When Mrs. M. was referred to the OARS agency, she was placed in an ongoing counseling group where she learned that she was not alone with her problem. She discovered that others had difficulties just as severe as, if not worse than, her own. Through these common bonds she and her group peers were able to learn from each other how to adjust to their problems.

The OARS program is an information, referral and counseling service for Durham County residents 50 years of age and older. Its designs are two-fold: To provide early help or to resolve problems before they can either become large or permanent ones, and to help the person who is faced with a crisis and is unable to cope with his problem because of the added stresses.

OARS aims to allow older persons to remain in their homes. In fact, the emphasis is on providing those related social services which can prevent the need

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