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Health Center Credit Union opening slated for March 1

A Health Center Credit Union should be ready for operation by March 1, reports Dr. Sherwood Reichard, newly elected president of the credit union.

Dr. Reichard says the credit union will offer a savings program and low interest loans. Other services to be offered in the future include automatic life insurance and financial counseling.

"Savings deposits and loan repayments will be made through the convenient payroll deduction method, thus simplifying procedures for the employee."

He adds that any amount will be accepted for the savings program and no "specific length of time will be required to save."

However, Dr. Reichard says "an individual must be employed

at least six months to borrow money at this time."

The interest rate on loans will be one per cent per month of the unpaid or declining balance of that loan.

Dr. Reichard says about 300 employees attended the first annual meeting of the credit union Feb. 4.

Other officers elected by the credit union directors following the general meeting include Dr. Floyd Bliven, orthopedics, vice president; Ms. Grace Thompson, pathology, secretary, and S. Walter Gramling, MRFG, treasurer.

Members of the credit committee to approve loans elected Wednesday are: Bill Stewart, personnel, chairman; Miss Pan-onia Cecil, nursing service, GWVNH; Hank Deck, pediatrics; M.J. Edwards, Physical Plant Division, and Mrs. Mattie Searson, housekeeping.

Don Smith, internal audits, has been elected chairman of the supervisory committee responsible for financial supervision. Other committee members are Frankie Smith, Comptroller's Division, and Thomas Kelly, hospital administration office.

Take heart: GHA supports Medical College research

February is Heart Fund month. This year, the Georgia Heart Association campaign theme is "Be good to your heart and it will be good to you."

GHA has supported the Medical College with over 100 grants and research programs to MCG applicants since 1952. Dr. Robert C. Little, chairman of the GHA research committee says that grants recommended and approved at MCG this fiscal year total more than \$45,000.

The MCG grants account for about a third of all heart research awarded state-wide by the association.

Tom Pearre, associate director of personnel and co-chairman of the local campaign, says MCG employees will be receiving letters from the campus steering

committee Feb. 20 and 27 regarding the local fund drive.

"...only you can prevent a theft"

During the last six months of 1975, there were 103 thefts reported at MCG. Eighty-eight per cent of these involved property belonging to individuals; 21 per cent of that 88 per cent were thefts of purses or articles from women's handbags.

Capt. Mark Rustin says this 21 per cent could have been prevented or the loss considerably reduced, if women would only follow a few suggestions.

"This includes leaving purses in a locked area when possible; don't leave the purse lying in plain view; limit the amount of cash carried; don't carry a checkbook all the time and generally be conscious that only you can prevent a theft."



Public safety's got ESP.

That doesn't stand for extra sensory perception; rather it's the name of a program called 'eliminate stolen property.'

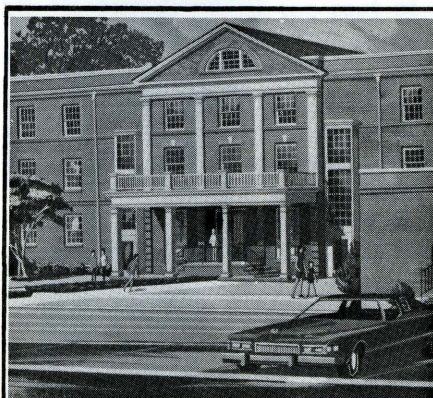
Capt. Mark Rustin explains, "It is virtually impossible to trace stolen property unless a positive identifier, such as the serial number, is known."

Therefore, the ESP program is designed to give individuals at MCG an opportunity to register personal property using either serial numbers or social security numbers.

Capt. Rustin says, "If you choose to have your social security number engraved on your property, someone from this office will come to your office and engrave the property."

"Also, a list of the numbers is maintained in this Public Safety office. If registered property is stolen, we can issue a teletype listing with the National Crime Information Center. This ensures that if the property is recovered anywhere in the US, it can be identified and returned."

Forms for registering property are available from public safety.



**Inside...
New Family
Practice Center**

Richard Torpin

Dr. Richard Torpin, professor emeritus of obstetrics and gynecology, died at University Hospital, Feb. 6. He was 85.

Dr. Torpin retired in 1958 after 22 years at the Medical College. He served as chairman of obstetrics and gynecology from July, 1936 until his retirement.

Policies & Procedures

The Medical College of Georgia budget must reflect the current status of funds available. Therefore, amendments are required whenever operating conditions reflect a deviation from the original budget estimates.

Accordingly every department has the opportunity each month to request changes in their operating budgets. Examples of changes which would be by amendment include increase or decrease in anticipated income or expenses; position or title changes, etc.

In order for requests to be processed for appropriate approval, the amendment forms must be received in the office of the vice president, dean or administrator no later than the 12th of the month. Those received later than the 12th are processed the following month.

After the vice president, dean or administrator reviews the proposed amendment, a copy is sent to the comptroller's division for review, checking and final preparation. The final form is reviewed by the president before submission to the Board of Regents. The Regents normally meet the second Wednesday of each month. (Ref: Adm. Pol. and Pro. 1.2.10 July 1972)

Military leave

Regular employees who are members of the Georgia National Guard or a reserve component of any of the United States Armed Forces will be granted leave with pay for training. Leave will be limited to the period of time specified in the official training orders (normally two weeks). Such leave will not exceed 30 days in any calendar year.

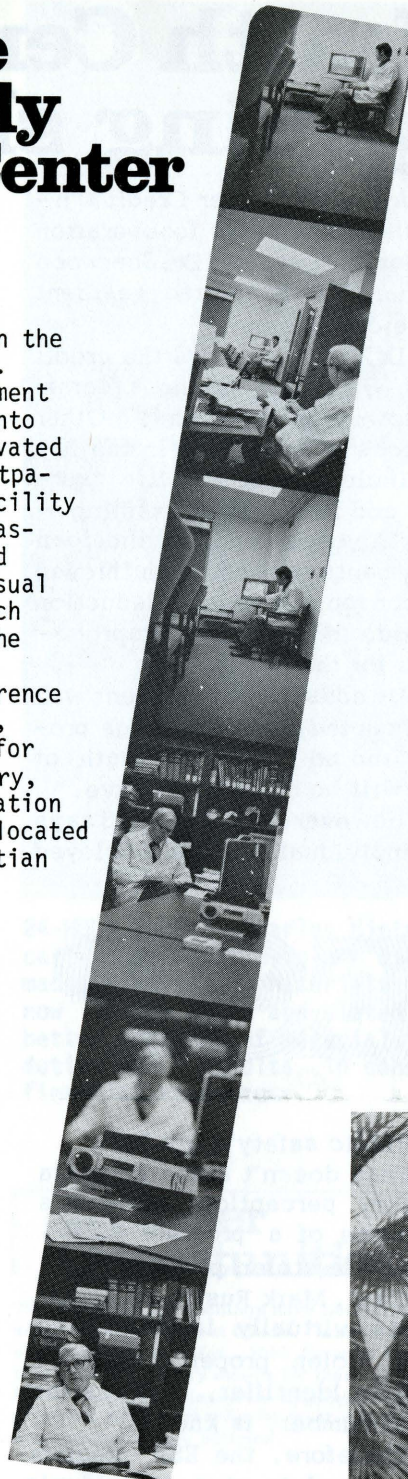
The Health Center Credit Union office will be located in room 111, Murphey Building. The organization expects to occupy the office about the first of March.

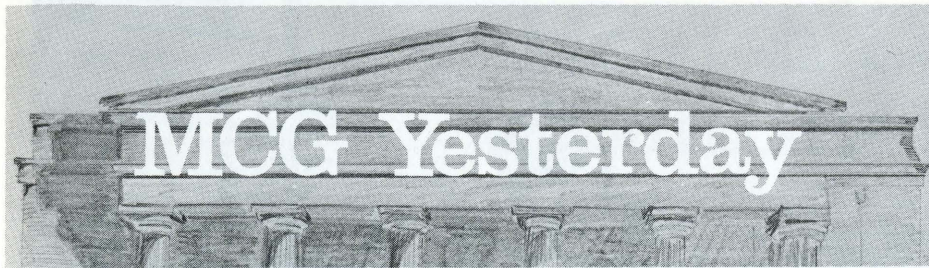
At this time, employees who wish to become members may sign up at the credit union office. Membership fee is \$5.

See upcoming issues of Wednesday and Intercom for further information.

Inside the new Family Practice Center

They're all smiles in the new family practice center. In mid-December the department of family practice moved into its new quarters, the renovated old University Hospital outpatient building. The new facility is decorated in light, pleasing colors and has retained many of the building's unusual architectural features, such as the granite arches in the medical records area. The center has a library-conference room, pharmacy, laboratory, screening room, facilities for outpatient emergency surgery, as well as numerous examination rooms. The new center is located on the corner of St. Sebastian Way and University Place.





EDITOR'S NOTE--The accompanying article, by Dr. Russell R. Moores, associate dean and professor of humanities and medicine, is the third of a series about the early history of the Medical College.

BY RUSSELL R. MOORES MD

The refusal of the Medical College of South Carolina to accept our students as second course students necessitated another trip to Milledgeville by Dr. Antony, to try to convince the legislature to expand the charter to allow for two courses of lectures, and the right to grant the M.D. degree. This was accomplished in December 1829, and the name was changed to the Medical Institute of Georgia.

The first students (seven gentlemen from Augusta and surrounding areas of South Carolina) entered the Academy on 1st October 1829. The following

spring, "Edward A. Eve, a candidate for the degree of M.D., having complied with the law by attending one full course in this institution and one in the Medical College of South Carolina and also studying medicine for the usual length of time with a regular physician, was introduced-examined and passed." He thus, on 17 May 1830, became the first graduate of MCG; however, the first formal graduation was not to be until 1833 and included Dr. Eve along with three others.

Another member of that first class was George M. Newton, who would later graduate from
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Faculty and staff lead in MCG campaign giving

The MCG Sesquicentennial Endowment Fund drive has reached \$1,054,499.85 as it enters the final three years of an effort for \$3 million.

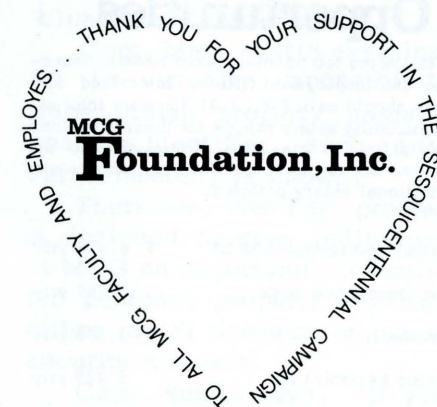
More than 1,400 persons and business firms have made the steps to more than one-third the goal possible. Leading in support have been members of the MCG faculty and staff with 930 persons giving \$345,371.73.

Alumni with 429 participants have given \$336,699.24 and the remainder has come from corporations, businesses and friends.

Initiation of an endowment fund at MCG has been a priority of President William H. Moretz and the program for \$3 million by 1978 remains on schedule.

"We are new in this field where many colleges have been active for decades, but as we build a base of friends and supporters MCG will increasingly find it easier to locate financial assistance from the private sector," James C. Austin, director of the Division of Institutional Relations said.

He went on to emphasize the present State budget squeeze as



an example of need for MCG to build a broad base of endowment which will insure that quality programs in education and research do not suffer in rising and falling tides of U.S. economics.

Rapidly diminishing student aid dollars from the federal government and the prospects of even greater cutbacks in federal programs of research and assistance were pointed out by Mr. Austin as strong reasons for achieving financial stability through endowment.

Benefit Spotlight

SICK LEAVE

Medical College employees, working half-time or more, accrue up to one day (8 hours) of sick leave each month. Those employed on a temporary basis or working less than 20 hours a week do not receive sick leave.

Sick leave is granted by the immediate supervisor primarily for illness or injury to the employee. However, sick leave also is authorized for the following reasons:

The base salary for Social Security contributions will be raised to \$15,300 for the 1976 calendar year, up from 1975's \$14,100 base. This raises the maximum employer contribution per employee from \$824.85 to \$895.05, increasing also the matched employee contribution.

*Illness or injury to a member of the employee's immediate family which requires his presence, providing the family member resides in the household.

*Employee's medical and dental treatment or consultation that cannot be scheduled before or after duty hours or on a day off.

*Quarantine of an employee's household.

*Death in the employee's immediate family.

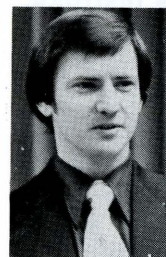
A physician's statement is required if the employee has claimed sick leave for five continuous working days and requests additional sick leave, or if the supervisor feels that the employee is abusing his sick leave.

Roving Reporter

How are you adjusting to parking problems?

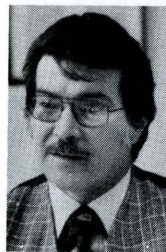
Do you think the Medical College is doing its best to cope with parking problems and to keep you informed?

Skip Wise Jr, departmental manager, psychiatry



Yes. I think MCG is doing something to cope with it. Construction of parking decks indicates they're trying to rectify the situation. As to adjusting, I'm parking farther away and walking.

Philip DeLorey PhD, professor, School of Nursing



I'm coping at least as well as any of the rest of the faculty and staff at MCG. It's certainly not the most desirable of arrangements. I've found myself with mud on my shoes more often than I haven't had mud on my shoes. But as I say, I'm coping at least as well as others.

I'm sure MCG is doing its best to cope with the parking problem. As far as keeping me informed, I've had no memos or notices about how long we'll have to put up with this disruption. It's possible that this information has been circulated,

but I haven't seen it. And as such it is rather dispiriting.

Rozelle San Fratello, administrative secretary, School of Allied Health Sciences



I'm sure they're doing their best. I realize it's something we're going to have to cope with for a few months. I'm willing to cope with it and it's not really a problem to me. I don't mind looking for a parking space.

Myers Searson Jr, chief cook, Student Center



As of now it is a problem. I have to park four or five blocks away and walk the rest of the way. And, we have to arrive at 6 A.M. On the whole, the parking problem is rough. I hope they'll do something soon to ease the pain. However, I think MCG is doing its best to cope with the problem. We are never informed about it, except through Wednesday.

notables

M. SHARAWY DDS, PhD, "Histochemistry of Myosin and Variety of Epithelia," "Auto Allergic Sialadenitis: Its Experimental Induction and Regeneration," "Advances in Dental Research" and "Structure and Function of Salivary Glands," University of Cairo Schools of Medicine and Dentistry, and Al-Azhar University School of Dentistry, Cairo, Egypt.

He also served as a consultant for curriculum to the dean of the School of Dentistry, University of Cairo.

F.H. LEIBACH PhD, and D. PILLION, grad student, both, c & m bio, "Inhibition of Protein Kinase Activity and Amino Acid and Sugar Transport by Diamide," *Biochemica et Biophysica Acta*, vol 419, pp. 104-111.

R.W. MCKINNEY DDS, PhD, oral path, "Pathology Diagnosis for the General Practitioner," SE District Dent Soc, Savannah.

K. REEVES MD AND F. RIVAS MD, cardiology, MCG, VA, have passed the subspecialty cardiovascular boards of the American Board of Internal Medicine.

Seven members of MCG faculty and staff recently were named to the health advisory committee of the Georgia Association of Paraplegics.

They include: V.R. ALLEN OTR, OT; M.B. ALLEN MD, neurosurg, J.B. GREEN MD, neuro; F.F. KNAPP RN, enterostomal therapy; J. M. RITCH RPT, PT; B.R. SNYDER, GWVNH, and J. M. STILL JR, MD, surg.

CARL JELENKO III MD, surgery, has been awarded a \$50,000 HEW grant for "Biochemical Effects of Burning of Skin."

R.W. SCHILLING JR, MD, ENT, co-author, "Collagenase Activity in Epidermoid Carcinoma of the Oral Cavity and Larynx," *Annals of Otol, Rhino, and Laryngo*, vol 84, no 2, p 158, March-April 1975.

R.W. BECKHAM MD, ARRT, RT, co-author, "Actual Tracheal Oxygen Concentration With Commonly Used Oxygen Equipment," *Anesthesiology*, vol 44, no 1, Jan. 1976.

G.H. NELSON PhD, MD and C.I. BRYANS MD, ob-gyn, presented "Induction of Labor with Oral Prostaglandin E 2," South Atlantic Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

The annual award for the outstanding student medical art exhibited in the Association of Medical Illustrators' Salon has been named the Orville A. Parkes Award. Mr. Parkes is professor emeritus, medical illustration.

M.A. COLEMAN MN, nursing, has been elected vice chairman of the maternal child health section of the Georgia State Nurses Association and a member of the Nurses Association, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

K. GREEN PhD, and K. KIM BS, ophthal, "Interaction of Adrenergic Blocking Agents With Prostaglandin E 2 and Tetrahydrocannabinol in the Eye," *Ophthal.*, vol 15, pages 102 - 113, Feb. 1976, and co-author, "Physiological Function of Regenerating Endothelium," *Investigative Ophthal.*, vol 15, pp 96-101, Feb. 1976.

D.T. WHITE RN, EdD, nurs, selected to participate in the Southern Regional Education Board's Regional Center for the Analysis and Planning for Improved Distribution of Nursing Personnel and Services.

R.P. LANE MS, sys and com services, elected to the board of directors, Hospital Information Systems Sharing Group.

J.D. SHERRER, rest dent, has been named Doctor of the Year by the Augusta Dental Assistants' Society. He serves as advisor to the society.

B.H. HARMS BS, RRA, elected president, Central Savannah River Area Medical Record Association.

W. STENSTROM BS, med ill, has been invited to submit artwork for display in the Archive of Medical Visual Resources at the Boston Museum of Science.

L. HARTLAGE PhD, neuro and ped, named consultant to US Dept. of HEW-Office of Human Development.

C.L. LUTCHER MD, med, MCG, VA, visiting professor, Southern Illinois University and South Dakota Schools of Medicine.

E. BRESNICK PhD, c & m bio, appointed, editorial board of the *Journal of Environmental Sciences and Health*.

History

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the University of Pennsylvania, join our faculty in 1833 and be dean from 1844 to 1857. He is perhaps better known because of his association with the Augusta Orphan Asylum, known as the Tuttle-Newton Home, named for him and his stepfather, Issac Tuttle.

There are no Trustees' minutes for the Annual Meeting in the spring of 1831; however, in the spring of 1832, the faculty was reorganized and Professors Joseph Adams Eve, Lewis D. Ford and Milton Antony were to be joined by Drs. Paul F. Eve, Louis Alexander Dugas and John Dent. Dr. Dent did not long hold his chair and was replaced by Dr. Alexander Cunningham the following year.

Another committee, including amongst others Dr. Paul F. Eve and Milton Antony, and Mr. Augustus B. Longstreet, the well-known Augusta author, approached the legislature again soliciting funds for the institute. Finally, in December 1833, the legislature changed the name of the school to the Medical College of Georgia, and appropriated \$10,000 for it, plus (with the consent of the City Council and the Trustees of Richmond Academy) the proceeds from the sale of 50 lots of the town common. In addition to the \$10,000 from the State of Georgia, the City of Augusta agreed to give \$5,000 if the faculty of the Medical College would care for the sick poor in the City Hospital and the prisoners in the City Jail.

Thus armed with great enthusiasm plus \$15,000, the faculty and Trustees set out to build a new building.

Bulletin Board

BACHELOR PAD--Negotiations may be opened to acquire the famous houseboat "H. O. Constantly" by calling John Stokes at 722-3856 after 6 p.m. weekdays. Bidding starts at \$6,500.



24-HOUR SUPPLY--Charles Hinton, sterile supply specialist, checks cart-loads of high-volume use items headed for nursing units in Tallmadge Hospital. Materials manager Andy Packo says the cart system now in use on 4S and slated for introduction in other units, allows better control of materials, releases nursing personnel from supply duties and results in considerable savings in time, paper work and financial resources.

Career Opportunities

The following job openings have been announced by the Employment Office. Interested employees should call Ext. 3081 for more information including salary ranges for these positions. All salaries for classified employees who are promoted and/or transferred must comply with institutional salary policies.

Medical Transcriptionist III	\$ 6,323 yrly
Chief Dental Lab Tech	10,800 yrly
Dietitian II	9,339 yrly
Nursing Assistant III	5,429 yrly
Nursing Assistant II	4,930 yrly
Maintenance Repairman	7,322 yrly
Food Service Supervisor II	6,032 yrly

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