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Cardiac care unit to open next year

By Mary Bechtoler

All the rumors are true. Sometime in January or February 1971, Jeffersonians open its cardiac care unit under the direction of Dr. Leslie Winant, Chairman of the Department of Medicine. The unit, which will be located on the fourth floor of the Thompson Annex, will contain twelve beds, seven medical and five surgical. It is designed to provide the highest standard of cardiac care presently available.

In an interview with ARIEL, Dr. Winant explained why cardiac care is considered so important and discussed what is being done to prevent and treat power failure in addition to prompt treatment of electrical failure. In selected patients it will be possible to monitor such things as intracardiac blood pressure, cardiac output, and myocardial metabolism via a catheter placed in the heart. It may even be possible to discover and treat power failure early in its course.

The unit will also make feasible a more aggressive surgical approach to acute heart disease by recognizing a potentially irreversible trend which can be remedied by percutaneous or coronary jamp grafts or intravenous thrombolytic therapy.

Medical students and the draft

By Anton Kempf

In an effort to elucidate the situation concerning the draft a medical student faces upon graduation, the Student Medical Forum of TAU organized a symposium on the draft, held on Wed., Oct. 26th.

Inasmuch as the Armed Forces have done more than their share of recruiting for their various programs, it was decided that the other side of the picture should be presented. The symposium was thus divided into three topics to be discussed: 1) presentation of law and stipulations by: a) the draft (2) Public Health Service and (3) Public Education. Concerning the law - the presentation was given by Anton Kempf, sophomore medical student. The areas of discussion concentrated on exactly what the law states concerning qualifications, deferments, and induction of medical personnel. Various loopholes were presented (by Arlo Tatum) including rejection of the 1A status for one year, and taking your chances in the general lottery. Information concerning this aspect can be acquired by contacting any local draft board or the Draft Information Office (located at 155 N. 36th St., in Philadelphia; phone number L-4841). It is unlikely that the local boards will inform you of the loopholes.

On the question of conscientious objections - we were fortunate to have both Arlo Tatum, secretary of the Central Committee on Conscientious Objection and noted author of many books on the subject and David McFadden of the American Friends Service Committee, to give the presentation. Rather than belabor the point here, if you feel that you can achieve a 1D status or 1-E, and want to be placed on the list, you should contact the American Friends Service Committee (108 N. 16th St. 81). For some students, the 4-F status has placed certain limitations on them. Primary care offers great feeling if the scope of all the above dimensions and their interplay, so as to stimulate mature and reasoned discussion.

SPHA Pronounces Future Purposes

South Philadelphia Health Action is seen as a facilitating organization and coordinating vehicle for the planning and delivery of comprehensive health services for the residents of South Philadelphia. It will not provide direct patient care, but rather insure the provision of relevant, equitable, and quality services through its institutional affiliations.

As a consortium of providers and consumers of health services, South Philadelphia Health Action will serve as the framework for significant community participation in the development and delivery of health services. Meaningful participation on the part of the consumer is seen as one of the major ingredients to be introduced in the planning and management of a community's health care. Such participation will allow for the development of new dimensions and definitions of community health care, and will serve to forge new systems for the delivery of these services.

New alliances will be developed with other social service organizations in order to provide needed multi-service programs. South Philadelphia Health Action will have as its major focus the more efficient utilization, and possible reallocation, of health resources and facilities. Where gaps in services exist, new programs and facilities will be encouraged. SPHA will work to assure a full spectrum of health services, from prevention and health education to rehabilitative care. Although care of the sick will demand initial attention, the overriding concern will be for the maintenance of the sum total of health. By fulfilling this in mind, primary care, both because of its potential impact on the maintenance of health, and because of its present unavailability to many segments of the community, will receive the highest priority.

Primary health care, to be effective, demands the full backup of the academic, social, and chronic care units of the health care system. By focusing attention on primary care as an entry point to the larger health care system, programs will be developed that complement the other segments of the system to reduce the strains imposed on them. Primary care offers great

The Master Planning Committee for Thomas Jefferson University is expected to make public its preliminary report shortly after the beginning of next year. The report will include sections devoted to Medical Education, the Graduate School, Allied Health, Community Health Care, the Clinical Teaching Faculty, institutional relations with the community, and a proposal to double the student body. It will be disseminated broadly to the University community and beyond, in order to generate discussion and to maximize participation in the ongoing Planning process.

Ariel's reporters interviewed Frederic L. Ballard, Jr., Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Chairman of the Master Planning Committee, in Mr. Ballard's office on November 13. Ballards's office was the complexity of the problems with which the University must deal in the 1970's. Among these the implications of Jefferson's new University status, changing patterns of health care organization and delivery, the increasing and shifting importance of the allied health professions, new rules for faculty, students, and administration, and modifications in the nature, number, and types of Jefferson's academic and community affiliations. Ballard added that he hoped the preliminary report would contain a feeling of the scope of all the above dimensions and their interplay, so as to stimulate mature and reasoned discussion.

Jefferson will take a participation, as well as the opportunity to involve Jeffersonians in the process (Continued on page 81)

PGH .... a case of benign neglect

By Richard Bonano

It would be foolish for anyone to think that "Philadelphia General Hospital: Its Role in the Medical Care Delivery System" was a book by a.tabs in the history of medicine. As a matter of fact, the book was presented at the evening of November 18. The discussants were Dr. James Sanders, President of Philadelphia Medical Care Delivery System should be discussed amidst the situation. The point was sub-covered walls of the Philadelphia College of Medicine and the Pennsylvania Department of Community Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. It was also noted that: "At all institutions where such Task Forces have been formed, the possibility of renewal has resulted."

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Commoner speaks on ecology
By Michael Leno

On November 10 Barry Commoner delivered a noteworthy message in an atmosphere seemingly charged with the scent of a high reek from mass-and-rightly so. His theme, "Ecology and the Human Community," was a unique one for any of "The Philadelphia Five," and even that with a Ban.

Introduced by Dr. H. W. Scheidel on the "Philosophy of Ecology," Commoner proceeded with a smooth and illustrative approach, opening his talk with a thought-provoking explanation of ecological systems and the interdependence of all species on delicately balanced life cycles. He stressed the importance of this balance, which is more than a solitary creature, and, blend inly, the necessity of understanding the system is to be perpetuated.

His message was dovetailed on the basic question of why the obvious environmental crisis existing. He argued that an inter-related, intolerable, intangible factors such as personal attitude, public indifference, and the perennial problem that technology creates. He cited many studies showing an almost almighty PROFIT motive that posed the greatest burdens to the solution of the problems.

In sociology, he fact that after the World War II the level of air, land, and water pollution has decreased in the United States. How can this huge increase in pollution be explained?

Commoner examines three possible contributing factors:

1. Population increase
2. Affluence
3. Technological change (new products)

He begins by stating that the first, affluence, is the major cause by noting that the U.S. population increase since 1900 is two and a half times, but the number of automobiles produced is one and a half times, and the number of movies is one and a half times. The affluence factor makes up for the decrease in population.

The increase in affluence level, as the major cause, is the result of the consumption of certain products at his index. His graphic data on population, consumption, and affluence levels are staggering.

The third point, the advent of post World War II technological society, is his main target as the chief causative agent. His claim is that the increase in population, affluence, and consumption of products all is the result of increased cycle levels.

The major objectives are to reduce consumerism, to increase the consumer's awareness of the need to consume fewer products, and to reduce the amount of pollution produced. These objectives are outlined under a new title: "The Law of Ecology."
Four Months Now
or Song of the Incredible Freshman
(with apologies to Joni Mitchell's "Both Sides Now")

Nudes of byrophy and Raveer
And stroto-ventricular
And S-A nodes, nodes everywhere
I've looked for nodes each day
But, I've not found a single pair
Not facial nor auricular
But Dr. Bess, she says they're there,
Perhaps in fat they lay.

I’ve looked for nodes for four months now
Both up and down, and still somehow
It’s nodes’ illusion I recall
I really don’t know nodes at all.

Tracts ascending, tracts going down
Tracts superficial, tracts profound,
Tracts of vision, tracts of sound,
I’ve looked for tracts each day.

Trays says they’re pink and blue
They reach nuclei when they’re through
And nuclei are also blue.
Although they’re really gray.

I’ve looked for tracts for two months now,
In brain and cord and still somehow
It’s tracts’ illusion I recall
I really don’t know tracts at all.

Genesis of A Choir
By Robin Edwards

In the beginning of October, 1970, medical students, nurses, aides, and technicians emerged from the Jefferson community and joined together to sing. Under the dynamic direction of Mr. Robert Sataloff, the group has evolved into the Thomas Jefferson University Choir.

The establishment of the Choir has been emblematic of Mr. Sataloff’s many activities. At present, he is a special student in Physiology at Jefferson while finishing his B.A. in Music Therapy at the Catholic University at Haverford College. He will start medical school this fall.

Mr. Sataloff is looking forward to a career in medicine, probably osteopathic surgery as maintaining music as an active avocation.

Mr. Sataloff’s musical accomplishments are not purely academic. He has been known in Philadelphia as a professional singer since he won the Tri-county Auditions. He has appeared as guest soloist all over the United States with such major choirs as the Boston Pro Musics. He also performed last year in York Première of Donald Swann’s opera, Perelandra.

Chairman of the Choir, Mr. Sataloff has been well prepared. He received his conducting training under Professor John Farriss at Harvard. He has also been coached by Dr. William Reese of Haverford College.

When asked about his plans for the T.U. Choir, Mr. Sataloff said that he envisioned it as “a permanent, fine music organization.” He said that “the Choir has an identity, a non-existence to the point at which it is ready to present a very reasonable and meaningful program and all this in about eight rehearsals. On the other hand, if we have established, we should be able to build an instrument capable of producing, complete, beautiful, and meaningful music.”

The performance of the Choir will be on Wednesday December 18 at 8:15 P.M. and will be an important part of the Wessly Party in the Jefferson Hall Cafeteria. It will include two nottos by J.S. Bach and several traditional Christmas carols as well as the major work of the evening; Vivaldi’s Gloria.

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Spanish amputee lover perverting Catholicism for turning aside natural passions or constantly bothered by the possibility of her seeing little this film meant (an anti-cleric just isn’t too popular in fanastry. He even eventually marries the girl but is period was El. In this movie he tells the story of a fully of instill his own creative thoughts into the picture. He also made films in a number of countries (Spain, France, Mexico, U.S.A.) because of financial problems and trouble with the government (an anti-cleric just isn’t too popular in Franco’s Spain). Perhaps his greatest film of this period was EL. In this movie he tells the story of a stanch Catholic in Mexico who sees a beautiful girl in church one day and immediately wants to possess her. He eventually marries the girl but is constantly bothered by the possibility of her seeing other men. He is finally ”committed” to a monastery after trying to murder her. Little by little this film turns into a scathing indictment of Catholicism for turning aside natural passions or perverting them in the cause of conventional morality.

Following the success of Naaz, the story of a “Graham Greene-type” priest, Bunuel began his writer-director period finally gaining artistic control and writing scripts from his own ideas. In his next film, Viridiana, Bunuel returned to his favorite subject with his most violent attack on Catholicism. A wealthy Spaniard hangs himself after his passions nearly lead him to the point of raping his niece, a nun named Viridiana. She leaves the convent and takes over management of his estate thinking she can turn it into a haven for the poor. At first she is successful but soon, after she leaves, the beggars take over the estate and nearly kill her on her return. In one famous sequence (Robert Altman copied it in M*A*S*H) the beggars freeze at the banquet table in the same position as the figures in Da Vinci’s “Last Supper.” A beggar lifts her dress to take their picture with a “box camera.” At the end of the movie she has rejected the church and the poor and is seen playing poker with her lover.

Since Viridiana, Bunuel has continued making films in which he deals with innocence and evil, attacks Catholicism, and juxtaposes images of reality with surrealist dream images. His latest movie, Tristana, continues along these lines but there seems to be one major change. Bunuel has cast his attack on Catholicism to the point where it is only a minor theme. The only admirable traits of Don Lope, the old man who tries to possess Tristana, are his love for the poor and his hatred for Catholicism. Otherwise he is rather an evil old man who holds that the only two exceptions to his belief that earthly sexual prescriptions were tagged on to the divine ones for political reasons are “the wife of a friend and the flower that blooms in innocence.” The flower that he speaks of is Tristana who is portrayed in the beginning as a virginal Catholic girl who obeys the authoritarian rule of Don Lope. By the end of the film the roles are reversed: she is no longer either innocent or virginal, and he becomes a weak figure who chases with the local priests over tea. Curiously, in her developing hatred for Don Lope Tristana has a contemptuous dream of Don Lope’s beard as a drapery in a church bell; this might be the result of his association with Dali.

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The widespread use of non-degradable synthetics has not yet reached their saturation level. Those are degradables. In light of the fact that man has not even been able to efficiently dispose of degradable organic wastes, the problem of disposing of non-degradables becomes overwhelming. In order to arrive at meaningful specific examples and statistics on product use patterns since World War II. We have substituted numerous iron products (degradable) with aluminum, which is virtually non-degradable, and which requires ten times more electrical energy to produce, hence more land and air pollution. The use of synthetic fertilizers and pesticides speaks for itself: the nemesis from this practice will be felt for many years. Another example is the advent of synthetic fibers and accompanying decrease in the use of degradable cotton fabrics. As with aluminum, the manufacture of synthetic fibers requires a huge expenditure of resources (oil and energy (electricity) compared to low energy production of the natural degradable cottons).

The obvious question arises: why do we accept such environmental risks? Apparently the public feels that the benefits outweigh the risks. That is to say, “quick-chill” beer cans and “plastic” permopress shirts are worth the insult our environment junkyard absorbs. Out of what appears to me to be an insurmountable environmental crisis, Commoner World optimistically foresees a “New Morality” emerging with the idea that no matter what we do we must preserve our environment so that future generations will have a future. I only ask—how?

Fear to Believe

I feel a need to tell you the truth: I feel a need that you will not believe; I feel a need that you need feel; I feel a need that you will not hear.

— Michael Leo

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M. A. S. H.
By Richard Hooker
(Reviewed by Alice M. Johnson)

For all of you who roared when "Trapper" John McIntyre, the new chest cutter, was introduced in the movie—and for those who didn't find out how he got his nickname because they couldn't catch the mumbled dialogue—there really is a book behind this plot to demoralize the Regular Army. Although one former Navy corpsman informs me that military life is anything but MASH style, the book acquires its validity as it goes along. And if it isn't all true—well—a corporal with protruding ears who can pick up far-ranging messages is a mile unusual, but his powers produce amazing revelations!

Underclassmen can rationalize reading MASH by thinking of the wealth of clinical background to be obtained—why, there's even an epidural hernia! Those already cutting up in surgery or laboring in OR (eyes, there are nurses in this thing) should consider the ego gratification of knowing what's going on. Even doctors should let themselves laugh once in a while, and MASH is superbly funny.

Don't let the presence of things like the Finest Kind of Pediatric Hospital and Whoorehouse deceive you, however. These three irreverent surgeons may practice putting on the major's office rug, but they also round out the charge nursing staff at 3:00 a.m. to repair an engulfed fistula in one of the pediatric hospital's charges. One of their most protracted debates is to decide which alma mater back home most deserves their Korean houseboy. MASH does tell us what insane things men will do to keep from thinking about the war going on around them—but it also transmits unobtrusively the marvelous things they do for each other without hindrance of formality and hypocrisy.

For all of us interested in making life a little more bearable, this one is rated "finest kind."

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The Way of Chuang Tzu
by Thomas Merton
New Directions, 1969

Hunting for a new approach? A Taoist philosopher of the fourth century B.C. presents an outlook on life that superficially may appear antithetical to the outlook of the modern medical student or scientist. Perhaps even incomprehensible, but if this book does nothing more than to stir one up to a defense of one's own principles, that alone is enough to make it worth reading. Some statements may appear revolutionary and subversive to "our way of life," but not at all in the way of Chairman Mao. All that is Chinese is not bad. Any philosopher is subversive to complacency. Any stimulation to thought may be uncomfortable. First principles are least burdensome when they are examined.

The way Merton presents Chuang Tzu is very effective. He lets the philosopher do the talking, and restricts his own interpretation and analysis of the way Chuang Tzu to a very short introduction. The bulk of this small book is an assembly of texts from the philosopher presented in the style of short poems and short anecdotes. Very easy to pick up and read in short doses and at random.

If given half a chance, Tao could be an antidote to toxic levels of Western competitiveness and externalization. ... (T.A.B.)

Zen Buddhism and Psychoanalysis
By D.T. Suzuki, Erich Fromm, and Richard DeMartino
Harper Colophon Books, 1970
(paperback edition, 180pp)

This book is adapted from lectures that were given at a workshop on the topic in 1967. It amounts to a fascinating, readable account of the encounter of Freud and the East. The book is written at a level that is still comprehensible to the dabbler in psychology, e.g. the freshman medical student, but also the discussions should be most stimulating to those who bring to the book a deeper background.

Maybe it will make a good Christmas gift for the person who has everything. And since it is paperback, you can afford to buy yourself one too. Or are you afraid to have your Freudian concepts of the Self and the Unconscious challenged by another outlook? (T.A.B.)

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We all agree that in our affluent, highly-technical society all people should be guaranteed fluent, highly-technical society education, work, and medical services. Crime needs to be attacked at its roots, not reinforced by our courts and prisons. People on welfare should receive an income that allows them dignity. We don't need to be taught to "adjust" to those poor social conditions, we need help in eliminating them.

The People's Fund believes the burden of taxation to support public services shouldn't fall on the working and lower-middle income groups, while the wealthy escape through tax loopholes. We ask that the majority pay the penalties of unemployment, inflation and shortages. To support our public services, the wealthy should pay their fair share of the tax burden to support the public services. We need immediate action.

Since we believe that only 3 percent of the special programs will likewise be significant, the People's Fund will provide money to local organizations that are either pressing institutions directly or, after providing services to the community. Many such self-help groups are at work now in the Philadelphia area, answering community needs ignored by voluntary agencies or the government.

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flexibility in terms of methods, location and requirements. Because of this flexibility, South Philadelphia Health Action will be anxious to see the development of a variety of primary care delivery models. Special attention will be given to models based on pre-paid group practice concepts, hospital-based out-patient family care and outreach programs, and neighborhood primary care stations built around the private practicing physician. A major concern in any model will be that it is comprehensive, family-centered, and affords personal dignity. The consumer should enjoy considerable freedom of choice in selecting the model that best meets his needs.

Manpower and the need for special programs will likewise be major concerns of South Philadelphia Health Action. New health professions, including physician extenders, nurse specialists, and family home health workers, will be developed, and special programs dealing with transportation and day care will be instituted either through the encouragement of voluntary agencies or by direct involvement of the Fund.

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devlopment of financial systems. These should be able to funnel money from a variety of third party sources, and channel these funds toward the accomplishment of common community health goals more effectively and efficiently than the present patchwork of categorical payments. This will reduce the burden now being placed on the individual providers to sort out and correctly process this financial information. In effect, South Philadelphia Health Action will receive and disperse funds for the provision of health services, and account for such expenditures to the funding sources.
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Cardiac Care

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given to failing hearts by medical personnel as the insertion in the aorta, which
when synchronized to inflate during diastole, can reduce
wheals when synchronized to inflate and medical students will have
the opportunity to take a six-week course which will be given
to practice resuscitation courses. In the animal laboratory will also be
available to practice resuscitation techniques pertaining to defibrillation.
Participants in the course will take an active part in treating their patients
for arrhythmias appearing on simultaneous EKG tracings. A subsequent tracing will tell them of
the course of treatment. An animal laboratory will also be
available for these interested in more techniques of catheterization and pathophysiology. The cardiac unit will be equipped with two heart monitor beds and times by a fellow and nurses in a ratio of 1 to 5 per patient. In addition, cardiac medical students will also be
prospective part-time positions. An intern, a medical student, and S
School, by Dr. Schaefer.

The course included a large group of senior faculty, administration, and
trustees, and saw the presentation of morphology and anatomy of the Medcal School, by Dr. Gross and
numerous distribution, and the University Status, by Dr. Bredt; and Teaching in the Graduate School, by Dr. Faust. Lengthy discussion led to the
formation of a small committee from among the conference participants.
The committee itself, composed of three trustees, several
persons from the administration, four department heads, and one
alumni representative and one student held its first meeting on January 27, 1979. The first task was to elucidate the current status of Jefferson. A number of papers were presented during a five-hour meeting, at the conclusion of which it was decided to undertake to draft a preliminary report.

At this writing, the Master Planning Committee awaits the collection and collaboration of
the several sections of the Report. Ballard, the chairman, is confident that the Preliminary Report will be released within the next
year, and the Master Planning Committee's first deliberations have been
promptly and quietly conducted in a small group. But the short-term goal is the production of a
thorough and well-written Preliminary Report, as a means
of stimulating "complete participation" from our entire
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major points of the "Mayor's Report." 1) There is need for
special emphasis on ambulatory care since this would do most to
alleviate health problems of the largest number of people. 2) PGH
should remain a teaching institution. This would be more efficiently run if only one medical school had responsibility for its staffing. 3) The operation of PGH
should be free from city politics, i.e., the board of directors should be an autonomous body.

Dr. Cooper reiterated all of the above points and added that
the PGH facilities were hopelessly outdated. Dr. Cooper's words were tinged with a hopelessness born of many years of trying to upgrade PGH on an inadequate budget. He stated that he could not hire the people
he needed to improve the situation because of the city job freeze.

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the PGH facilities were hopelessly outdated. Dr. Cooper's words were tinged with a hopelessness born of many years of trying to upgrade PGH on an inadequate budget. He stated that he could not hire the people
he needed to improve the situation because of the city job freeze.