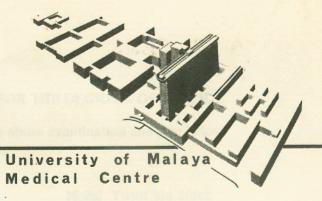
# INFORMATION BULLETIN



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24th May, 1969.

#### DISASTER PLAN

The Disaster Plan of the University Hospital was put into operation immediately following the announcement of the curfew on the evening of Tuesday, 13th May, 1969. Key posts were manned within half-an-hour and the Hospital was put on "alert". All regular staff who were working in the Hospital when curfew was imposed continued at their posts until relief was arranged the following day. A large number of persons who were visiting patients stayed within the Hospital. That night about 600 students of the University of Malaya enrolled as blood donors and many pints of blood were collected. In the early hours of the morning a team of doctors and medical students went to the General Hospital to attend to casualties; they took with them some of the collected blood. Clinical students assisted with patients in the Accident and Emergency Unit and the wards, while those who had just joined the University and were in the Pre-Medical Year and First Year of the medical course helped in the kitchen and laundry and cleaned up the wards. These "new" students presented themselves for these and other duties every morning for the last one week. Free meals were provided to all those working in the Hospital including medical students, volunteers and visitors. The situation at present is back almost to normal, nearly all staff having reported for duty. There are no major problems.

This experience has shown the advantage of having a Disaster Plan, and Hospital staff "on duty" within the Hospital and others "on call": a core of medical, nursing and other para-medical staff thus became immediately available to deal with casualties. Administrative staff then organized ambulances, transport, and other units, and provided more staff to supplement the initial group so that reception and treatment of casualties could continue on a 24-hour basis.

The Dean of Medicine would like to place on record his appreciation of the work of key staff members who reported immediately to the Hospital when curfew was announced and implemented the Disaster Plan. He is most grateful to all staff, medical students and other volunteers for the good work done during this difficult period: the smooth working of the Hospital was entirely due to their efforts.

## RESULTS OF FIRST FINAL EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREES OF M.B., B.S.

We are happy to announce the results of the above examination and give below the names of all those who have passed.

> Ang Eng Chin Ang Eng Hai Ang Luan Thiam Basir bin Rakim Chan Yuen Seng Chew Weng Yew Chin Kit Kong Choi Kam Fay, Paul Chong Min Sin, Terry Chu Siew Mun Chua Chin Tong Fang Lok @ Fong Lok (with Distinction) Gan Kong Seng Goh Tiow Hoe Gomez Joseph W. Hee Wang Jang, Henry Iyngkaran Nagalingam Khong Kwan Sin Kuhan Nagalingam Leong Siew Yin, Anthony Leong Yee Kong Lien Soon Hui, Alfred Lim Beng Goeh (Miss) Lim Bin Hooi Lim Boon Kheng, Andrew Lim Eng Chye Lim Lum Hong (Miss) Ling Mun Wai Ling Toh Kow Megat Burhainuddin bin Abdul Rahman

Mohd. Yusof bin Sidek Ong Say Gark Ooi Eng Aun Osman bin Yahaya Oung Lam Seng @ Ang Hong Nam Peh Boon Seng Por Seng Kim Romel de Silva Ranawaka Samsudin bin Hussain Saw Huat Seong Seng Eng Hock Sim Sai Lan, Patricia (Miss) Sirajoon Noor bin S.M.A. Ghani So Sok Bee (Miss) Song Sin Nien Swee Ah Siak Tan Bian Aun Tan Eng Choo Tan Hin Min Tan Poh Chiew Tan Seng Chye Tan Yoke Yee Tang Kam Seng Thavaraja Singham K. Thong Yee Hing Thoo Chee Min Wan Mahmud bin Wan Othman Wong Cheng Lim Wong Yew Yee (Miss) Yeang Hoong Cheong Zulkifli bin Ahmad

Our hearty congratulations to these new doctors who are the **first** to graduate from the Faculty of Medicine. They have begun their housemanship in the Ministry of Health hospitals and the University Hospital as of 5th May, 1969.



FIRST GRADUATES, CLASS OF 1964/69.



CELEBRATING WITH THE EXTERNAL EXAMINERS.

#### EXTERNAL EXAMINERS

Besides the internal examiners there were four external examiners from overseas for the above examination.

Professor George A. Smart, University of Newcastle Upon Tyne, England.

Professor J.S. Scott, University of Leeds, England.

Professor H.A.F. Dudley, Monash University, Australia.

Professor A.K. Banks, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England.

# PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO NURSING SISTERS

At a ceremony held in the Medical Centre on March 27, 1969 the Hon'ble Minister of Health Tan Sri Haji Abdul Hamid Khan, P.M.N., J.M.N. J.P. presented certificates to 11 nursing tutors who had successfully completed the 1967/68 Sister Tutors Course.

Miss Ang Poh Choo
Miss Puvaneswari Candiah
Miss Kok Swee Hah (Mrs. Loh Ah Kian)
Miss Lee Kam Leng
Miss Lee Siew Hoon (Mrs. Loh Yee Hung)
Miss Ooi Soo Hong
Miss Siti Aizah bt. Zahari
Miss Tan Soh Eng
Miss Tiang Siew Giong
Miss Toh Miew Fong
Mr. Vijayaratnam s/o Muthiah

In his speech of welcome amongst other things, the Dean of Medicine referred to the existing nursing situation in the country as follows:-

"Although large nursing schools exist in Penang, Kuala Lumpur and Johore Bahru, the number produced is not sufficient to meet the expansion of the patient care and health



MINISTER OF HEALTH AND DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICES WITH SISTER TUTORS.



SISTER TUTORS WITH W.H.O. NURSE EDUCATOR, MISS W. ROUTLEDGE.

services in the country. Furthermore, modern advances in the care of patients, specialised hospital units such as those concerned with critically ill patients viz., the intensive care unit and development of specialties such as cardiac surgery require many more nurses. However, the number of nurses who can be trained is strictly limited because of the even greater shortage of teachers in the nursing schools, namely the sister tutors. Hence, after consultation with the Ministry of Health, the Nursing Education Advisory Board felt that the first priority in our nursing education programme should be a course for sister tutors. With the help of staff from the Faculty of Medicine, the Faculty of Education, the Ministry of Health and the World Health Organization, it was possible to conduct a concentrated course over a period of one year for a small selected group of 11 trained nurses who now on graduation are teaching in our own School of Nursing and those Schools conducted by the Ministry of Health. A second course was commenced in January this year for 15 trainee tutors. It is our sincere hope that with the regular and increasing supply of sister tutors not only will the existing nursing schools be expanded, but several more will be developed so that an even larger number will be trained to become nurses. Hence, the staffing situation in hospitals will steadily improve with the supply of more doctors and more nurses".

He also paid a special tribute to nursing staff who throughout the many years he had known them had worked quietly, patiently and devotedly under the more exacting and exasperating conditions and had taken on responsibilities beyond their normal call of duty.

# SECOND TRAINING COURSE IN LABORATORY METHODS IN NUTRITIONAL ANAEMIA RESEARCH

This second training course was conducted in the Core Laboratory for Nutritional Anaemia Research in the Department of Pathology, Faculty of Medicine from 24th March to 4th April. The research done in the Core Laboratory is co-ordinated with the WHO World-wide Nutritional Anaemia Programme. In addition to research, another function of the Core Laboratory is the training of workers from collaborating laboratories in Asia in methods in nutritional anaemia research with the objective of attaining uniformity and standardization in techniques of haematology viz., haemoglobinometry, blood counts, serum iron, folate and vitamin B<sub>12</sub> assays, and radioisotope methods of investigation. This year there were 11 participants from six countries representing India, Afghanistan, Nepal, Ceylon, Thailand and Indonesia.

#### UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION

The University of Malaya will hold its annual convocation this year on 21st June, 1969 at the Dewan Tunku Chancellor. There will be two ceremonies.

(i) at 9.30 a.m.

for the conferment of Honorary Degrees, Degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Economics.

(ii) at 3.00 p.m.

for the conferment of Masters' Degrees, Degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Engineering, Bachelor of Agricultural Science and Diploma in Education.

The Chancellor, Y.T.M. Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra, Al-haj, will preside at the morning ceremony and the Pro-Chancellor, Tan Sri Justice Mohd. Suffian bin Hashim, will preside at the afternoon ceremony.

An OPEN DAY for the public will be held on the same day from 8.30 a.m. - 7.00 p.m. An Organizing Committee will plan the displays and exhibits, and arrange for conducted tours in the Medical Centre.

### ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

Students in the pre-medical year and the first year of the medical course are being introduced to the Faculty of Medicine and its educational programme through a series of lectures, demonstrations, film shows and tours commencing as of Monday, 12th May and continuing from Thursday, 22nd May to Sunday 25th May, a break being necessitated by the imposition of curfew. The new academic session for these students commences on 26th May.

#### RECENT VISITORS

Dr. Norman W. Hoover, Saigon, Vietnam.

Dr. David Owen, House of Commons, London.

Dr. T.J. Brooks Jr., University of Mississippi Medical Centre, Jackson, Mississippi, U.S.A.

Dr. Richard W. Emanuel, National Heart Hospital, London. Professor Donald Court, University of Newcastle Upon Tyne, England.

Dr. James Scott, University of Oxford, England.

Mr. Jack Hwin, British Hospital Report Council, London.

# NEW APPOINTMENTS (Academic Staff)

Dr. Loh Tatt Tuck (Physiology) Dr. Myint Myint Mu (Anatomy) Dr. Ronald Kok Huck Chye (Orthopaedic Surgery) Dr. Ng Keng Hing (Obstetrics & Gynaecology) Dr. Lee Thong Teck (Obstetrics & Gynaecology)	26.2.69 24.3.69 26.3.69 28.3.69 1.5.69
NEW APPOINTMENTS (Medical Officers)	
Dr. Arlene Ngan nee Fung (Medicine) Dr. Murugasu Rajathurai (Pathology) Dr. Chong Kew Chai (Pathology) Dr. Wan Suk Khan (Medicine)	3.3.69 14.3.69 21.3.69 24.3.69
NEW APPOINTMENTS (House Officers)	
Dr. Lim Kek Foo Dr. Leong Siew Yin, Anthony Dr. Gomez, Joseph Wenceslaus Dr. Samsudin bin Hussain Dr. Ong Say Gark Dr. Sim Sai Lan, Patricia Dr. Osman bin Yahaya Dr. Lim Boon Kheng Dr. So Sok Bee Dr. Peh Boon Seng Dr. Ang Eng Hai Dr. Saw Huat Seong Dr. Chan Yuen Seng Dr. Fang Lok Dr. Lim Beng Goeh Dr. Tan Poh Chiew	1.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69 8.5.69

Dr. Tan Seng Chye	8.5.69
Dr. Swee Ah Siak	8.5.69
Dr. Hee Wan Jang, Henry	8.5.69
Dr. K.K. Thavaraja Singham	8.5.69
Dr. Ang Eng Chin	8.5.69
Dr. Ooi Eng Aun	8.5.69
Dr. Romel, Ranawaka De Silva	8.5.69
Dr. Iyngakaran s/o Nagalingam	8.5.69
Dr. Tan Eng Choo	8.5.69
Dr. Basir bin Rakim	8.5.69
Dr. Ling Toh Kow	8.5.69
Dr. Lien Soon Hui, Alfred	8.5.69
Dr. A. Puvaneswari	8.5.69

#### EMERGENCY CALLS

The Accident and Emergency Unit is open 24 hours a day including Sundays and Public Holidays. At the reception desk several persons are available, i.e. nurse, receptionist and porter. Emergency calls from the public for ambulances and urgent medical assistance will be referred by the Hospital telephone exchange to the reception desk of Accident and Emergency by dialling extension 500 reserved only for incoming calls. For routine calls to reception desk of Accident and Emergency, dial extension 501 or 506.

#### TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE MEDICAL CENTRE

53431	-	10 lines
54273	-	5 lines
564422	-	6 lines
564473	-	4 lines

All Hospital staff are advised to use telephone numbers 564422 and 564473 when they wish to contact the Hospital. This will leave the other numbers free for use by the public.

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