

FRESHETTES BEWARE!

MED APPOINTMENTS INCREASE RESEARCH

Dr. C. B. Stewart, dean of the Faculty of Medicine, has announced eight new appointments to the Dalhousie staff. Boosting the full-time medical staff to 45, the new members will substantially increase the University's medical research program which has more than quadrupled in scope in the past eight years.

Physiology
Dr. Pentti M. Rautaharju, a native of Finland, is one of the few people with an M.D. and training in the field of biophysics. Along with his assistant professorship in the department of Physiology, Dr. Rautaharju will continue research projects.

Trained in Japan and later in the United States, Dr. Tatuya Kanni joins the department of Physiology as assistant professor. His duties include teaching and research in neurophysiology.

The most senior appointment is Dr. Gordon Hacher, McGill and University of Toronto graduate. Currently heading the Dept. of Preventive Medicine, Dr. Hacher has carried out research on

public health and medical insurance in many parts of Canada, and most recently did well-recognized work in chronic illness in the U.S.

Reversing the trend of Canadian "brains" exports, Dalhousie welcomes Dr. Hatcher back from the University of Miami.

An outstanding Dalhousie graduate, Dr. Peter Gordon, becomes assistant professor of Preventive Medicine. Winner of the Ross Stewart Smith Memorial Fellowship in 1955, the youthful Dr. Gordon received his Diploma of Public Health at the University of Toronto.

A member of the Halifax Health Department, the new appointee

figured in the recent epidemic of infectious hepatitis.

James M. Wanklin, Ph.D. (U.W.O.) will serve as research statistician in the Department of Preventive Medicine. Dr. Wanklin has considerable training in psychology, epidemiology, and statistics.

The new associate professor of Pathology is Dr. John Cooper, a native of Scotland, after a military term of duty, Dr. Cooper worked in St. John's Nfld, and Glace Bay.

Senior researcher Paul Chadwick, M.D. (London) becomes associate Professor of Bacteriology. Dr. Chadwick comes to Halifax after several years of teaching and training in Britain.

The assistant professorship in Pathology is filled by a Canadian, Dr. Vernon W. Krause. A graduate of the University of Alberta and specialist in children's pathology, Dr. Krause also serves as Director of Pathology, Halifax Children's Hospital.

Polio research at Dalhousie

A team of Dalhousie workers is assisting the Government in its search to find a safer oral vaccine against poliomyelitis. Dr. C.E. Van Rooyen, head of the Department of Bacteriology at the Dalhousie Medical School, plans to undertake a virus research program which may require as long as two years.

Dalhousie was the site of the first oral vaccine trials against polio in Canada. The British-trained Dr. van Rooyen with over thirty years experience in the fight against this crippling disease, supervised tests with an early monkey kidney preparation called Trivalent Cox. Several workers, including Dr. van Rooyen sampled this strain themselves in 1959, and presented the results of these and later tests to an international conference in Washington, D.C. The Cox vaccine was rejected in favour of a strain developed by the American, Dr. Albert Sabin.

Last year at Wedgeport, N.S., another Dalhousie team, again headed by van Rooyen fed the Sabin vaccine to seventeen hundred persons with no ill effects. Optimistic results of the Dalhousie field trial prompted nation-wide application of the Sabin Salk preparation. Unfortunately, four cases among the three million Canadians vaccinated contracted polio. Only one of three Sabin types was involved, and Health Departments have been instructed to intensify Salk vaccine programmes using the other two types which have been proven safe and effective for human consumption.

Dr. van Rooyen's department has now set to work to develop a completely safe 'type three' vaccine.

MED SCHOOL RANKS HIGH

Pre-medical students have made a wise choice in coming to Dalhousie. The University has excellent facilities and a very large, well qualified faculty that gives Dalhousie one of the best rated medical schools in the country.

Medical students attend classes on the Carleton campus situated a few blocks down University Avenue from the main Studley campus.

Increasing pressure to get into the Medical School has boosted the new class intake to an all-time high of 71. Only four women students were admitted.

Several outstanding educators and researchers make up the 175 member staff -- some of which is part time. Each department has several qualified researchers engaged in important investigations.

During the pre-medical student's three or four years in undergraduate school he will find several courses very useful for his future studies. The pre-medical society headed by Ron Harris has an active program planned for the year, including tours of hospitals and other medical facilities.

NOTICE

to all students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

The first meeting of the Graduate Students' Society will be held Thursday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m. in the Faculty Room, Ground Floor, Men's Residence, Coburg Road.

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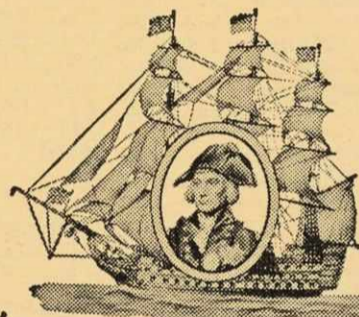
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