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news and notes

Administration and Trustees Honor Faculty and Staff

Members of the University family who are retiring after fifteen or more years of association and those for whom 1970 is a special anniversary were honored by the Administration and the Board of Trustees at a dinner held in Welch Hall on April 9.

Those retiring are:

Anthony J. Campo, Superintendent of Purchases and Chief Pharmacist

Bernard J. Mattimore, Fireman, Power House

Florence C. Ott, Medical Record Librarian

Mary A. Patterson, Chamber Maid-Cleaner, Students Residence

Cleaner, Students Residence Cecil Pybus, Head Greenhouseman

Thomas A. Richardson, Elevator Operator, Hospital

Bertha Schnabel, Laboratory Helper

The following are marking special anniversaries:

Katherine J. Clausen, Secretary 25 years

Georgina M. Drew, Superintendent of the Hospital 40 years

René J. Dubos, Professor, Pathology and Microbiology 40 years

Henry G. Kunkel, Professor and Senior Physician, Biochemistry and Immunology 25 years

Daphne W. Morse, Assistant Librarian 25 years

Those receiving certificates of recognition as emeriti are:

Theodosius Dobzhansky, Biology and Genetics

Walther F. Goebel, Biochemistry Fritz Lipmann, Biochemistry

Lewis G. Longsworth, Physical Chemistry

Alexandre Rothen, Physical Chemistry

Theodore Shedlovsky, Physical Chemistry

Tony Campo Retires

Firefly tails and pregnant salamanders, eggs of eagles, guinea hens and pheasants, spectrophotometers and electron microscopes, horse dander sweat and saliva, these and thousands of items less exotic were on the shopping list of the Purchase and Supply Department during Anthony J. Campo's career. A



An evening of recognition and reminiscence

career for which he once phrased the keynote: ". . . there's really nothing that you can't get if you spend the time at it." Mr. Campo spent 53 years at it from the day in 1917 that he reported for work as a stock clerk to the day of his retirement this year as Superintendent of Purchases and Chief Pharmacist, a post he had held since 1956. Along the way he found time to complete high school and get his degree of Graduate in Pharmacy from Columbia University's College of Pharmacy. As Rockefeller University has expanded, Mr. Campo's efficient staff has continued to handle the involved "shopping" and direct distribution of supplies

and equipment for all the laboratories, a system that has made possible great savings and freed the researcher from the burdens of inventory control and involved bookkeeping. Many of the persons he counseled with over scientific catalogues and purchase orders have become his friends. Many of them have contributed letters to a testimonial book presented to him by President Seitz at the anniversary dinner on the evening of April 9. A sampling of these letters affords a warm insight into what one man's career has meant to the University.

When anyone who has worked at Rockefeller, and then has gone elsewhere, is

Change in Food Services

The Frank G. Shattuck Company, better known as Schrafft's, this month took over the management and operation of the University's food services and facilities. The new manager is Miss Leah Woerner of the Schrafft's staff. Her duties will include assistance to individuals planning special functions in Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Hall and Welch Hall.

In an announcement of the agreement, Dr. C. Eugene Sunderlin noted that "new policies will be in effect as of April 1 with respect to charges" for such functions. He added that the charges "will be based upon estimates of actual costs; they will not necessarily be related to the charges listed on the daily menus for meals in Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Hall and Welch Hall dining rooms, which are highly subsidized."

Under the agreement, the University

will continue to set prices for the dining rooms and the Smith Hall cafeteria. However, Schrafft's will make suggestions regarding the price structure.

Proposed improvements include a larger menu selection at Welch Hall as well as a greater variety of offerings on the buffet service. A regular salad, salad bowl, or cold platter has been suggested for patrons of the cafeteria as well as Abby and Welch Halls. Dessert menus will be expanded.

The changes in the food service facilities are designed to upgrade the quality of food and services while at the same time reducing costs through increased efficiency.

In addition to running a chain of restaurants, Schrafft's, through its Business Food Services, operates dining rooms and cafeterias for a variety of business, government, and educational organizations in various cities.

Gardeners Assist Springtime on Campus

Despite an Easter storm that gave the yellow of the daffodils and the deep blue of the crocuses a setting of snow, the campus at press time was greening up and responding to the care of Andries van Zadel, Head Gardener, and his four-man crew. They have been busy since late February. First came an application of bone meal, then a good raking and the spreading of granular fertilizer that will enhance the green of the lawns. Last came reseeding and a light sprinkling of top soil. In between times, the men have been pruning winter-damaged tree limbs and trimming the ivy.

One particularly pressing job this year was the resettling of the stone slabs that form the campus walks. An unusually severe winter with alternating periods of wet and freezing weather did the damage to the marble aisles.

Mr. van Zadel, who was a bulb grower in Holland before coming to the United States, speaks with enthusiasm of the University plantings and calls attention to the fact that this year red and white tulips have been planted in the circular beds near Founder's Hall. After the tulips have bloomed, geraniums will be set out as usual.

Mr. van Zadel's specialty is "minor" bulbs, as crocuses and anemones are classified in Holland, where this type of gardening is a carefully regulated industry. He started his own business in 1934 and employed 15 men. After a good year in 1938, however, the minor bulb industry was wiped out by the war. In 1957, after the United States had raised immigration restrictions to permit entry of war and flood victims, Mr. van Zadel and his wife, Matilda, left Holland. His first job was in the greenhouses at Sterling Forest Gardens in Tuxedo. Then, in 1968, his wife went to work in the University pharmacy and Mr. van Zadel brought his knowledge of green and flowering things to the campus.

TONY CAMPO RETIRES continued

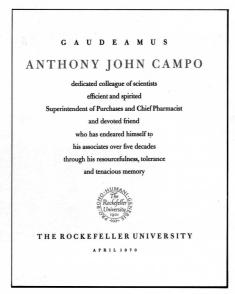
asked what he misses the most the answer always is Tony Campo. (Professor Vincent P. Dole)

Your role in the pursuit of the work in my laboratory was always of inestimable value. The personal touch which you always gave to our relationship, your force and efficiency, the warmth of your personality, and your occasional bad language are things I shall miss more than I can tell. (Professor Walther F. Goebel)

For the 40-odd years that I have been at the Rockefeller Institute-University you have been one of the most dependable delights of the place. Those who have come here only recently have had a glimpse of you, enough to sense there is an unusual person down in Purchasing. (Professor Alfred Mirsky)

We recognize that your life's work has made a very important contribution to the advancement of science at The Rockefeller University. (*Professor Lyman C. Craig*)

Throughout half a century, Tony Campo has aided the research of more researchers at the Rockefeller than any other person....Those who have worked in our laboratories and then returned to distant homes write or phone or cable Tony: where can they get a tarantula or tractor, parts for an obsolete microscope, or a newly discovered drug. He is a universal resource. (President Emeritus Detlev W. Bronk)



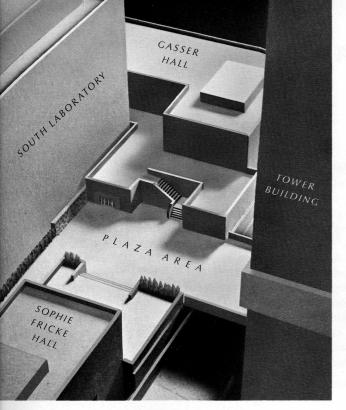
Title page of testimonial book

I think of you, Tony, as originator of the concept of the administrator who does not put emphasis on administration, or its machinery, but primarily tries to get the work done, which in our case is scientific and educational work... How quickly you could get us a roomful of pots and covers for growing bacteria, in quantity, or a clam steamer for cooking them dead! (Professor Rollin D. Hotchkiss)

It will be hard to get used to the reality that "when in doubt, call Tony" will no longer go. (*Professor Edward H. Ahrens, Jr.*)

PERSONAL MENTION

Associate Professor **Thomas Bever** is leaving the University to assume the position of Professor of Psychology at Columbia University. His appointment is effective September 1.



Plaza Plan

Construction crews this month began preparations for the handsome plaza to be built at the second floor level of the new Tower Building. Plant Pathology's ground-level greenhouses have been razed to clear the way for one approach. Excavation is under way for a receiving and storage area under the plaza floor, which will be of reinforced concrete. The photograph shows an architect's mock-up representing the main features of the design. Access is by an esplanade approached by paths extended around the west and east ends of South Laboratory. A flight of steps on the Gasser Hall side and three steps near Sophie Fricke Hall lead down to the plaza floor. With the completion of the plaza, the entire campus will be linked, for the first time, in a single architectural complex.

IN PRINT

Just published by The Rockefeller University Press is Olfaction and Taste: Proceedings of the Third International Symposium. The editor is Carl Pfaffmann, Vice President and Professor of Physiological Psychology, who organized the meetings and wrote the book's introduction. The 664-page volume contains the full texts of papers presented at the symposium, together with summaries of roundtable discussions held at the University in August of 1968. The foreword was written by Lord Adrian, Trustee Emeritus. The symposium dealt with three aspects of taste and smell: their role in behavior, receptor mechanisms, and psychophysics and sensory coding.

Employees' Representative Council Elected

Thirteen candidates were elected to the University Employees' Representative Council on March 19. A total of 395 ballots was cast.

Representatives for the Clerical Staff are Ethel Everly, Anne Scully, and Charles Laughery; for Shops, Gilbert Barrett and Gunther Ebert; for the Hospital, DeWitt Harrison and Nina Casciano; for Technical, Robert Migliore, Virginia Kozler, and Frances Davidson; and for Services, Nat Rivera, Mattie Lewis, and Edward Kloesman.

Alternates include Pearl Shockley (Clerical), Gene Roth (Shops), Isaias Coats (Hospital), and Josias Pierre (Services).

The Council was initiated last year to foster direct communications between the employees and the Administration. The newly-elected representatives and their alternates will meet every Tuesday to discuss issues before meeting with the Administration. The first Tuesday of every month will be reserved for open meetings, the sites of which will be posted in advance. The first of these open meetings is scheduled for May 5.

Federation Meeting

Fifty-five University faculty members and students were authors or coauthors of papers presented at the 54th Annual Meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology held in Atlantic City April 12 through 17.

Professor Philip Siekevitz was chairman of a session on membranes. Professor Bruce Merrifield chaired a session on the chemical structure of proteins.

Among the papers presented was one by Drs. Robert E. Franzl and Padoslav Bachvaroff. It gave details of studies that clarify the process by which active and often damaging antigens are processed and rendered harmless by the body's defense mechanism. This research, by localizing antigenic material and defining a step between antigen introduction and the production of antibodies, brings science closer to complete understanding of the complex defense process known as the immune system.

** KUDOS **

Neftali Rivera, Animal Attendant, has been certified as a junior animal technician by the National American Association for Laboratory Animal Science. He was presented his certificate at a meeting of the Metropolitan New York Branch of the Association held at the University on March 26.

Professor William Trager gave the first Earl C. Suitor, Jr., Memorial Lecture on March 18 at a dinner that concluded a Symposium on Arthropod Cell Culture at the Naval Medical Research Institute in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Trager spoke on "Future Possibilities of Arthropod Cell Culture in Parasitology and in Developmental Biology." The symposium, in honor of the late Dr. Suitor, brought together nearly 150 workers interested in various aspects of insect and tick tissue culture.

EXTRACURRICULAR

Charles Laughery, Purchasing, is active in community theatre in his hometown of Colonia, New Jersey. He has appeared in many roles in Theatre in the Round and the Woodbridge Shakespeare Festival productions, among them David in *Design for Murder* and Egeus in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. In addition, Mr. Laughery has worked with the backstage crew and was producer of *Bus Stop*. Mr. Laughery hopes to direct a children's play during the next season.

Dr. Ashoka Ray, Guest Investigator in Dr. George Némethy's laboratory, is a graduate of Vatkhande Bidyapith, the foremost school of classical music in India. Dr. Ray, who plays the tamboura, has recently given concerts with Ravi Shankar at the Fillmore East, and with Mahmood Mirza at the Alice Tully Hall. She has also given vocal recitals at the Library and Museum of the Performing Arts of the Lincoln Center and the Cubiculo Theater with the Vija Vetra Dance Company and over radio station WKCR. She directed the music and sang the lead role in Rabindranath Tagore's dancedrama Chandalika, produced by the Tagore Society of New York.

Nichols Appointed

University development—helping to formulate strategy for future programs of research and education and assisting in finding the resources required to fulfill those programs—will be a major responsibility of Rodney W. Nichols in the new administrative position to which he was appointed April 1. Mr. Nichols will serve as Director of Program Planning and Development, and Special Assistant to the President.

Mr. Nichols has wide experience in the management of research and de-



velopment programs in government and in industry. Before coming to the University he served in the federal government for four years. He was a Special Assistant for Research and Technology in the office of the Director of Defense Research and Engineering within the office of the U.S. Secretary of Defense. His principal responsibilities were the management of basic and applied research efforts and the coordination of government-wide policies for research and university affairs. He worked with the Departments of State and Commerce on international scientific matters; and with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Department of Agriculture, the Smithsonian Institution, the National Science Foundation, and the National Academy of Sciences on conservation, ecological, and environmental matters. Mr. Nichols was a member of the U.S. delegation to a conference in Geneva in 1969 of technical experts advising the Secretary-General of the UN on chemical-biological arms control.

Prior to entering government, Mr. Nichols was Manager of the Systems Analysis Laboratory of Melpar, Inc. He was responsible for the technical direction and management of an interdisciplinary scientific group concerned with systems studies and experimental instrumentation for a range of civilian and national security needs.

Mr. Nichols holds an A.B. from Harvard College and has had graduate work in the physical, biological, and social sciences. He has done research in solid state physics, developed sensors for space applications, and participated in the design of research projects in the life and social sciences.

Housing Guidelines

The Faculty-Student Housing Committee, headed by University Vice-President and Professor Carl Pfaffmann, has approved guidelines for allotting apartments in Socony Hall. They suggest eligibility requirements for each type of apartment in the University's off-campus facility and a priority system for determining which of the eligible candidates should be housed first as apartments become available.

There are three classes of apartments in Socony: A. three-bedroom, kitchen, living room, and dining room; B. two-bedroom, kitchen, living room, and dining room; and C. two-bedroom, kitchen, and living room.

For type A, the committee suggests, only families with two or more children would be eligible. Priority would be given families with children of "mixed sexes all other things being equal." For type B, only families with at least one child would be eligible. Families with children would be given priority for type C, although these apartments would also be available to couples without children.

The first and most important factor in determining priorities would be financial need. Each applicant would be asked to state his family's net takehome pay. It was further suggested that "need between families be compared by allowing \$1,000 for each dependent." Other factors, in order of importance, that would influence an applicant's priority standing are "chronological order of application, present housing situation, and special disadvantages, for example, foreign investigators with language problems."

The committee noted that "although it would be desirable" to have a ceil-

Health Care Seminar

Public announcement of a new medical center and delineation of the health services it will offer the city were highlights of a seminar on Modern Health Care held on April 14 in Caspary Auditorium.

Sponsor of the seminar was the Long Range Planning Committee of the French and Polyclinic Medical School and Health Center, soon to be built on midtown Manhattan's West Side

Dr. James A. Shannon, Professor and Special Assistant to the President of Rockefeller University, is Chairman of the Advisory Committee which presented recommendations to the Planning Committee.

Representatives of government, insurance, and the professions, as well as civic leaders, were in the audience.

ing on rents, "this may not be possible because of constantly increasing costs" of maintenance and services. Taking note of the financial problems faced by married graduate students and junior faculty members with children, the committee recommended a study of the feasibility "of a rent subsidy on some formula basis by the University" as a means of reducing the "burdens for such families."

During the drafting of the guidelines, a number of questions arose which the committee has not yet resolved. For instance, should technicians be given priority over single students and married students without children since these individuals have the option of living on campus? Also, what should be done with any apartments remaining after needs of eligible students and faculty have been met?

The committee urges all heads of laboratories who can anticipate future housing needs to notify the housing office as far in advance of an expected arrival as possible.

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