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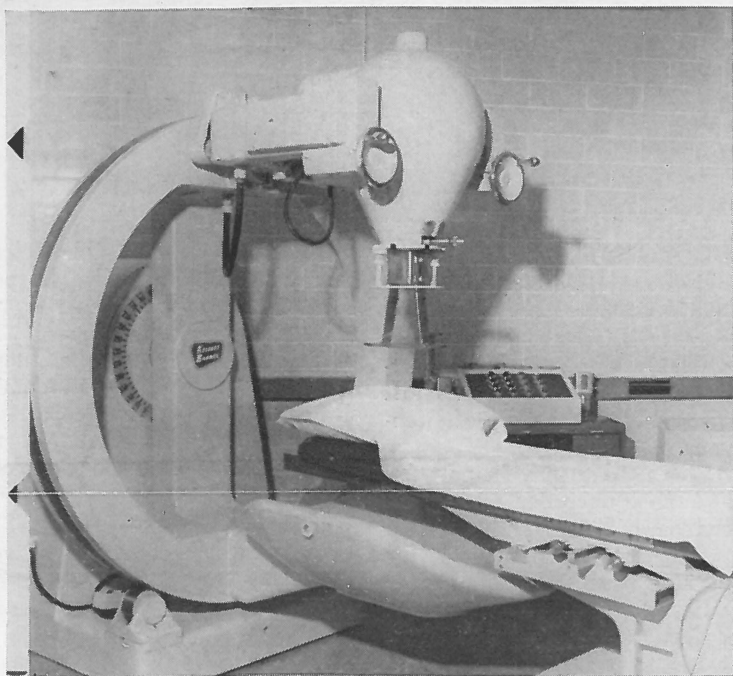
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## Illinois Masonic Hospital



### Ralph H. Jansen Memorial Deep Therapy Cobalt Bomb

Looking like a monstrous insect or a creature from outer space, the long-awaited Ralph Jansen Cobalt Bomb is pictured here as it is now in service in the strongly reinforced concrete sub-basement of the Nelson Street Addition.

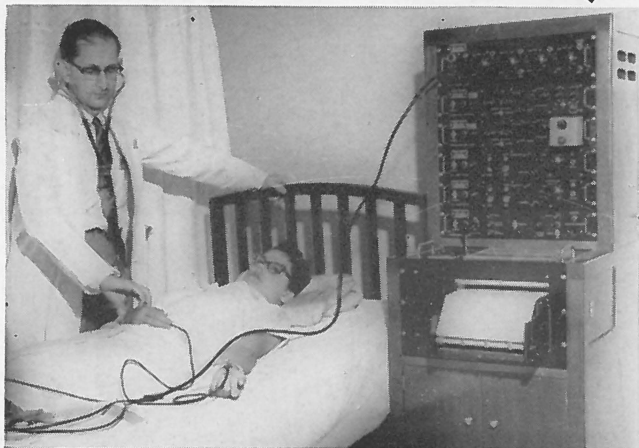
Many of you will recall that Mr. Jansen, former owner of the famed Ivanhoe restaurant, and a helpless victim of cancer for many years, was near death in this hospital in 1956 when he gave \$25,000 to the hospital for the deep therapy cobalt bomb unit "to relieve the pain of others." Exactly three years from the date of his funeral, July 27, the unit went into operation. The installation is now valued at \$100,-

000, and is called the "Ralph H. Jansen Deep Therapy Cobalt Bomb Unit."

The operation panel seen on the far side of the room can be adjusted for all necessary details by the technician when the patient has been placed into correct position on the easily moved table or with the rotating cradle seen under the table. Radiation is controlled, however, from without this room where the operator can safely observe the patient through a window.

Many patients have already received treatment in this unit and for years to come many more will be grateful to the one who in the midst of his own pain sought to relieve the pain of others.

# NEW, MODERN EQUIPMENT ADD



Dr. Paul Schimert, M.D., and Technician Rita Champagne demonstrate the use of the Multi-Channel Recorder to be used in the Cardiac Catheterization Station.

## MULTI-CHANNEL RECORDER

You will recall that in our July issue we expressed our gratitude to Mr. Andrew Fasseas, Director, and the employees of the Illinois State Department of Revenue for their \$1,000 gift to the Heart Fund in memory of Richard J. Lyons.

The gift was used to pay in part for the Multi-Channel Recorder which you see pictured here. This will be one of the most important instruments for installation and usage in the Cardiac Catheterization Station.

This Station will allow physicians and clinicians to be able to tell the type of heart disease a patient has and

whether it will be feasible to have heart surgery, which will also be performed in this department starting the first part of this month.

The Fraternity will be interested in knowing that a little child coming from Rome, Georgia, through the help of the Georgia Shriner's Club, is going to have a heart operation performed in this hospital.

This is another instance of the distance to which the fame of your hospital has spread and also the broad scope that it covers even at such distances. As time goes on, with our increased facilities, we shall see even more of this trend.

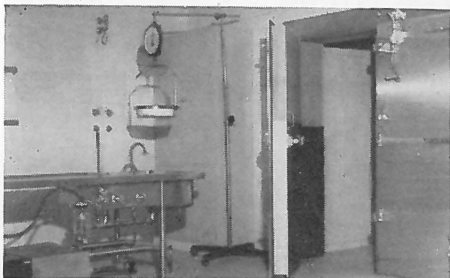
## CONCERN IN ALL MATTERS

Many times people who come into the hospital having loved ones who passed away here wonder what happens to the remains of that loved one. The Board and the Administration have been particularly concerned with this in their effort to treat the dead as reverently as one would treat the living.

You will note in the view pictured here, the new, very clean beauty of tile and stainless steel of our morgue. Until an undertaker can pick up the remains, it is here that the body of a patient who has died is kept. All the undertakers who have used our morgue have been very complimentary of the beauty and cleanliness of these facilities.

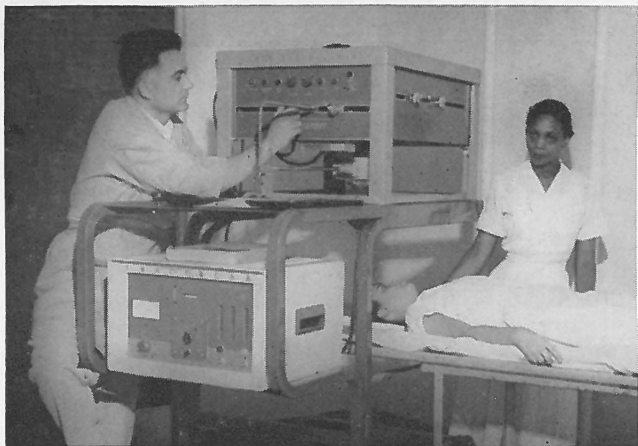
In this room, too, are performed all

of the autopsies which are done at the hospital and which are of such great importance to the physician in his knowledge and study of human disease. One cannot stress too much the importance of consenting to an autopsy because of the great knowledge which is gained in allowing such a procedure to be performed.



# TO AID DIAGNOSTIC FACILITIES

Dr. C. Soter, Radiologist, Technician Joyce Kostelecky, acting as patient; and Registered Technician Grace White, who will operate the machine, demonstrate the Tracer-Scanner.



## TRACER SCANNER

This new piece of equipment costing \$4,000 is the gift of Mrs. Frances G. Van Cleef in memory of her husband, Noah Van Cleef. Mrs. Van Cleef has also given the Electrocardiograph Department.

The Scanner is designed specifically for the scanning of body areas in

which a radioactive isotope has localized. A patient drinks the radioactive isotopes, then is placed under this machine which will print a chart that clearly defines the distribution of the isotope. For instance, in the case of the thyroid gland, the size and density of the tumor can be shown. This will greatly aid physicians in making an early detection of tumors.

## DEDICATION PLANNED FOR NELSON AVE. WING

With all but the last final details to be put into order and operation in the new Nelson Avenue Wing, the Board of the Hospital has set up a committee of five members to plan the dedication ceremonies which have tentatively been scheduled for October 31.

Members of this committee are Herbert P. Sargent, Stafford B. Light, Edwin G. Svikhart, Fred P. Kirch, and Murray A. Stillwaugh. It will be the duty of these men with the Superintendent and the Board to plan activities and festivities for the dedication of this building which already has brought so much help to doctors, patients, and nurses.

Plan to attend this occasion and take advantage of the opportunity to see for yourself why we are—and you can be—so proud of the Illinois Masonic Hospital.

## MORE NURSES ENROLL

The number of students who have enrolled and been accepted for the fall nursing class is now better than sixty. These girls will be welcomed with the usual reception-tea and will begin their studies on September 14. We can always use more. Recommend nursing as a profession to your young friends.

## ASSOCIATION PATIENTS

During July and August we are pleased to have served Association Patients from the following:

*Lodges:* Acme, Alexander Hamilton, Auburn Park, Austin, Compass, Crecent Waubansia, Cyrene, Drexel, Hellenic, Herder, John Corson Smith, Keystone Plumb, Kosmos, Lakeside, Maplewood, Northern Lights, Paul Revere, Pleiades, Portage Park, Proviso, River Jordan, South Park, Universal, Vega, and Wrights Grove.

*OES Chapter:* Banner Blue, Cathedral, Compass, Lake View, Maple, and Olive.  
*Conclave:* Calumet.

## **GIFT FROM SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO. AIDS EXPANSION PROGRAM**

Another large institution has placed its faith in the future of Illinois Masonic Hospital in a tangible way by a very generous gift of \$5,000 which was presented to the Board by Mr. Proctor J. Gilbert, one of its trustees. This gift comes through Mr. R. C. Hiller, Jr., Director of Civic Affairs of Sears, Roebuck and Company. We wish to express our grateful thanks and appreciation to him, the Contribution Committee, and to Mr. McConnell and Mr. Kellstadt for their interest and excellent support of our institution.

This gift will help materially and substantially in our expansion program now in progress on Wellington Avenue, where floors are being laid and equipment being set in the new kitchen and nurses' dining room facilities.

It is gifts such as this that help to accomplish more rapidly our hopes and plans for improving and expanding our services to mankind. Friends of the

hospital know that it is the firm policy of the Board to expand our buildings and facilities on a cash basis, so that our institution may remain debt-free. This policy is based not only on principle but, on very practical reasons. Interest charges on large mortgages are a serious drain on current hospital income. Donors who may wish to contribute substantial sums to the hospital can feel that they are giving us money to build or buy something new which shows growth and accomplishment, rather than providing funds to make up a deficit created by someone else. Most important of all, we want all of our income devoted to providing the best possible care for all of our patients.

The donor who sees the value of this great service will have an opportunity for great satisfaction during his life, which will pay rewarding dividends.

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