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Thousands of handbills inviting Central Winnipeg residents to have a free chest x-ray were distributed by children and teen-agers prior to the opening of a big tuberculosis survey...

Tuberculosis Cases are Down For the First Time in 3 Years

New active cases of tuberculosis in Manitoba decreased by nearly 20 per cent in 1964, Dr. E. L. Ross reported at the annual meeting of the Sanatorium Board of Manitoba on April 30.

A total of 231 new active cases were discovered last year, compared to 286 in 1963. This gives a new active case rate of 23.8 per 100,000 population in Manitoba, compared to an average of about 30 per 100,000 for all Canada.

Dr. Ross noted that this is the first decrease in new cases in three years. In 1963, he said, new active cases were up 20 per cent, due mainly to a number of localized epidemics. "Such epidemics can happen any time, and they emphasize the fact that even one

this high risk group are advised to have an annual chest x-ray.

In 1964, 5,885 previously known cases were reviewed by the Sanatorium Board doctors.

TB Treatment

A decrease in patient days (and beds occupied) began in 1953 and was most marked in 1959, 1960 and 1961. Then for two years there was a slight increase (due to local epidemics), totalling 152,428 in 1963. In 1964 treatment days decreased to 140,792, the beds occupied at the end of the year

Begin Door-to-Door TB Survey

On a bright, sunny afternoon last month, the Sanatorium Board's big mobile units wheeled out into the neighborhoods of Central Winnipeg to begin a chest x-ray survey of residents and employees. Aside from the industrial tuberculin and x-ray surveys conducted year-round by the Sanatorium Board in all sections of the city, this is the first community survey attempted in Central Winnipeg in a number of years. The aim is to screen as many as possible of the 15,000 residents in the area, in addition to the employees of all businesses and industries. About five weeks are needed to complete the campaign, from April 27 to May 28.

A great amount of planning, organizing and volunteer effort has been undertaken to get as many people as possible to attend the free clinics.

The City of Winnipeg Department of Health have co-operated wholeheartedly in the survey, and each day, under the direction of Director of Nursing Miss Lillian McKenzie, about 16 public health nurses canvas neighborhoods — ahead of the mobile units — to notify people about the examinations.

Bolstering the work of the nurses and serving as registrars in the two mobile vans are some 500 other volunteers organized by Miss Mary Gray, our Christmas Seal Supervisor. The groups, and the women in charge of recruiting, include: Mrs. B. E. Whelan, Ladies' Auxiliary to the Associated Canadian Travellers; Mrs. R. V. Shearer, St.

Boniface Inner Wheel; Mrs. W. L. Madden, Pi Beta Phi Sorority; Mrs. Burt Shaw, Victoria Curlers; Mrs. D. P. Martell, Canadian Diabetic Association; Mrs. E. J. Conway, Professional Engineers' Wives of Winnipeg; Mrs. E. McCormick, Winnipeg Inner Wheel; Mrs. A. Sherbo, Holy Rosary Church Catholic Women's League; Mrs. V. S. Dotten, Granite Curling Club.

Miss Gray also enlisted the aid of the Rev. S. Liao of the Chinese United Church, who has kindly agreed to provide Chinese interpreters to accompany canvassers in the Chinese-Canadian communities. And through Miss Gray's efforts scores of young people from MacLean Mission and Neighborhood Service Centres and the city Boy Scouts gave part of their time during the Easter vacation to distribute handbills to each home.

Special thanks are due to Miss Gray for her splendid work, to Dr. R. G. Cadham and Miss McKenzie of the Health Department, to all the volunteers and to the members of our Surveys Department.

The Sanatorium Board is also greatly indebted to the press, television and radio stations who donated space and a great deal of free airtime to publicize this health service.

berculosis is a threat to many people."

Tuberculosis Deaths

The tuberculosis death rate in Manitoba in 1964 — 2.9 per 100,000 population — is also the lowest ever reported.

There were only three deaths under the age of 39; 70 per cent were over 50 years of age. Over half the deaths occurred in general hospitals, but most of the patients were admitted for the treatment of some other condition related to tuberculosis, and therefore the death was attributed to tuberculosis.

Reactivations

Of almost equal significance as far as the spread of infection is concerned are the relapses among known old cases, Dr. Ross said. There are approximately 12,000 inactive cases in the province and from among them 51 re-activated in 1964. The breakdown rate for these old cases is over 400 per 100,000 population, and those in

about 36 per cent compared to the year previous.

This decrease, said Dr. Ross, is largely due to the fact that most patients today spend only about one-third of their treatment period in sanatorium. The rest of the time they receive treatment as outpatients, taking their drugs at home or at work.

Tuberculosis Prevention

In 1964 a total of 230,841 Manitobans received free tuberculosis examinations through Christmas-Seal financed community surveys, stationary and travelling consultant clinics and hospital admission x-rays.

The average infection rate for all ages, as shown by the tuberculin test, was 24.76 per cent in 1964.

According to the World Health Organization, tuberculosis cannot be considered controlled in any country until one per cent or less of the 14-year-old population is

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Over 250,000 Benefit from SBM Services

More than 250,000 Manitobans benefited directly from Sanatorium Board services in 1964, said T. A. J. Cunnings, executive director, in his annual report.

A total of 2,807 patients were admitted for treatment in the Board's various hospitals, he said. And 230,841 took advantage of the tuberculosis preventive services and special rehabilitation programs.

In addition, there were 44,550 visits to the out-patient departments.

Hospital Operations

At the end of the year the Sanatorium Board had 832 beds for treatment in five hospitals.

Assiniboine Hospital continued to give a high standard of service, the average occupancy being 87 per cent and the average length of stay, 72 days. Patients were admitted from all parts of Western Manitoba; about 50 per cent were from Brandon and 50 per cent from other areas.

This hospital has a thoroughly modern Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Unit designed to be incorporated in a new hospital. The cost of this unit (over and above statutory government grants) was all contributed by the people of Western Manitoba.

Travellers Present \$4,000 Cheque



T. A. J. Cunnings, executive director of the Sanatorium Board (second from left), accepts a cheque for \$4,000 from Robert McNary of the Associated Canadian Travellers, Winnipeg Club. Looking on are Norman Priestley, A.C.T. president (left), and S. Price Rattray, chairman of the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital Committee. (Photo by David Portigal)

The Winnipeg Club of the Associated Canadian Travellers presented a \$4,000 cheque to the Sanatorium Board of Manitoba at a noon-hour dinner meeting of A.C.T. members, their wives and Sanatorium Board representatives at the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital on May 8.

Robert G. McNary, the A.C.T.'s Man of the Year for 1964, made the presentation to Sanatorium Board Executive Director T. A. J. Cunnings. The money will be used towards the club's \$100,000 pledge to purchase equipment for the rehabilitation hospital.

Associated Canadian Travellers for their outstanding assistance to the Sanatorium Board. During the past few years, he said, the auxiliary, through such fund-raising projects as the spring Coffee Party and Fall Frolic, have furnished a patients' ward in the Central Tuberculosis Hospital.

TB Among Indians Still Big Problem

Through intensive case-finding and follow-up measures, the incidence of tuberculosis among Indians and Eskimos is steadily decreasing. In his annual report to the Sanatorium Board last month, Dr. O. J. Rath, regional superintendent of medical services for the Department of National Health and Welfare, noted that 171 cases of tuberculosis were discovered among these populations in the Central Region in 1964.

The incidence of new and reactivated cases per 100,000 population last year was 294, compared to 597 in 1963 and 729 in 1958, he said.

The tuberculosis mortality rate of Indians and Eskimos in the Region in 1964 was 27.5 per 100,000 population; the Eskimo rate (54.7 per 100,000) being more than twice the Indian rate (23.4).

The over-all mortality rate from tuberculosis is still about ten times the non-native rate.

The tuberculin testing and B.C. G. vaccination program was intensified in 1964; a total of 6,267 Indians and Eskimos were vaccinated.

The chest x-ray survey is still one of the best case-finding methods, particularly in remote areas.

per cent during the year and an average length of stay of 66 days.

Manitoba Sanatorium operated at 84 per cent occupancy, with an average length of stay of 332 days.

Clearwater Lake Hospital's operations during the latter part of the year were complicated by its impending closure. But the average occupancy for the year was 87 per cent.

At December 31 the staff of the Sanatorium Board numbered 868.

J. W. Speirs Re-elected Board Chairman

J. W. Speirs of Winnipeg was last month re-elected for an eighth term as chairman of the Sanatorium Board of Manitoba.

Frank Boothroyd, also of Winnipeg, was named new vice-chairman of the Board, as well as chairman of the Manitoba Sanatorium and Preventive Services Committee.

John B. Craig of Brandon stepped up to the executive committee as the new chairman of the Assiniboine Hospital Administration Committee. Mr. Craig, who is president and general manager of CKX Radio and TV in Brandon, succeeds Thomas A. Moore, a valued member of the Board since 1960 who resigned last month when he took up residence in Vancouver.

Other new elected members of the Board are D. M. Dunlop, Winnipeg, vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railways; Mayor S. A. Magnacca and Roy K. Armstrong of Brandon; Mayor Ed Dow

tion hospital committee, thanked the Travellers for their splendid support over the years. The club, Mr. Rattray noted, has now donated \$62,000 towards their pledge and, together with the Brandon A. C.T., has turned over more than half a million dollars to the Board's tuberculosis and rehabilitation programs.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Mr. Rattray also praised the Ladies Auxiliary to the Winnipeg

of Boissevain; and R. J. Robinson of the Associated Canadian travellers, Brandon Club.

Re-elected to the Board were S. Price Rattray, chairman of the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital Committee, E. B. Pitblado, Q.C., honorary solicitor, R. H. G. Bonnycastle, R. L. Bailey, John F. Baldner, Gordon W. Fyfe, George Illiffe, Dr. J. A. MacDonell, H. L. McKay, Howard Spohn, Dr. E. Snell, W. C. Boura and George Collins, all of Winnipeg; John Gardner, Dauphin; Dr. J. E. Hudson, Hamiota; F. O. Meighen, Q. C., Brandon; W. B. Chapman, The Pas.

Dr. F. Hartley Smith was again named chairman of the Board's Medical Advisory Committee. Other members are Dr. H. S. Evans, Brandon, Dr. Hudson, Hamiota, Dr. R. O. McDiarmid, Brandon, Dr. D. L. Kippen, Dr. C. B. Schoemperlen and Dr. F. R. Tucker, Winnipeg.

mentation Hospital Occupational Therapy Department.

They also donated two wheelchairs to the rehabilitation hospital, and over the years have assisted indigent women patients at Ninette sanatorium, distributed holiday candy and gifts to tuberculous children and donated to the sanatorium library.

Each fall, auxiliary members are always around to help with the Christmas Seal Sale preparations, and year round they assist at the Board's tuberculin and x-ray surveys and do volunteer work for the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital.

It is largely due to this fine support of the A.C.T. men and women of Manitoba that the Sanatorium Board of Manitoba has been able to expand and develop many of its health services.

DIABETES SURVEY

As a special feature of the chest x-ray survey in Central Winnipeg, the Sanatorium Board joined forces with the Canadian Diabetic Association during the first two weeks of May to offer free blood tests for diabetes.

The problem of diabetes is of special concern to tuberculosis workers because the tuberculosis rate is twice as high among diabetics as among non-diabetics, due to the fact that diabetes lowers the body's defences against infection.

For this reason, doctors advise a regular chest x-ray for all diabetics.

ected by x-ray surveys; the overall ratio of active cases detected to the number x-rayed being one to 621.

About 60 per cent of the population was x-rayed in 1964. This excludes very young children, hospital admissions and many of the nomadic Indians in southern areas.

ADMISSION X-RAYS

To assure the continuance of a valuable health program, the Manitoba Hospital Commission agreed last month to cover the cost of hospital admission chest x-rays as an insured in-patient service.

This program for the early detection of tuberculosis was started by the Sanatorium Board in 1949 and was paid for by funds provided by national health grants. However, due to a reduction of these grants, the Board was forced to discontinue the program at the end of last year.

A committee formed to study the matter recommended that the hospital commission finance the program. The reason: The program is one of the most productive methods of discovering tuberculosis, particularly among the elderly.

Of the 231 new active cases of tuberculosis reported in 1964, 77 were from general hospitals, and in 25 the source of diagnosis was attributed to admission chest films.

Six new cases were also found among the general hospital staffs.

Staff Dress Dolls to Illustrate National Hospital Week Theme

Many hands and many skills are needed in hospitals to maintain a high level of patient care. In Sanatorium Board hospitals, for example, occupations range from accountant to physiotherapist to x-ray and laboratory technicians — with dozens in between.

To illustrate the theme, "People — Heart of the Hospital", for National Hospital Week May 9 to 15, the many departments at the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital and Central Tuberculosis Clinic prepared tableaux of dolls, representing all the disciplines contributing to the Board's hospital and health programs.

The idea for the project originated with Miss E. L. M. Thorpe, Sanatorium Board nursing consultant; and the work was co-ordinated by Mrs. M. R. Trainor, M.R.H. Nursing Instructor, and Mrs. W. E. Barnard, M.R.H. Director of Voluntary Services, who devoted many hours of their spare time to see the project through successfully.

Miniature mannequins were distributed to each department and for several weeks prior to hospital week, nurses, physiotherapists, technicians, waitresses, office girls, volunteers and many others took

the time to sew clothes for the dolls. Norman Lowe, husband of Mrs. Margaret Lowe of the M.R.H. business department, hand printed the name cards. William Skoropata, under the direction of Mrs. Joy Huston of the Occupational Therapy Department, made the excellent stands and enclosures for the displays; Purchasing Agent Ken Rowswell managed to obtain all the supplies; Mrs. Doris Setter, clinical nursing instructor, gave invaluable assistance to the co-ordinators.

The result of all this effort was indeed a striking display. The C. T.C. project, set up in their own out-patient department, included some 24 dolls illustrating the various departments involved in tuberculosis control: Prevention, treatment, rehabilitation and research.

The rehabilitation hospital's exhibit comprised about three dozen dolls, each representing the various members of the rehabilitation team who work with the patient to return him to as full a life of possible. The patient, in each case, held the centre of the displays.

Our congratulations and a hearty thank-you are extended to all the people who worked on this special project.

Central Winnipeg Fights TB



City Boy Scouts and young members of Neighborhood Services Centres (shown here) and the MacLean Mission gave up part of their Easter holidays to help the survey teams publicize the tuberculosis survey in Central Winnipeg this month. The survey, financed by the annual sale of Christmas Seals, is an important part of the Sanatorium Board tuberculosis preventive service for 1965. This district in Winnipeg was chosen for screening because it has a higher than average incidence of tuberculosis.



infected with tuberculosis. Here in Manitoba, said Dr. Ross, around five per cent of this age group receiving tuberculin skin tests are infected.

"Clearly, this shows that an intensive and continual search for few cases is necessary. New outbreaks of tuberculosis are a striking reminder that this communicable disease has the potential for sudden increase."

A.C.T. PLEDGE HELP

The Brandon Club of the Associated Canadian Travelers this month pledged to raise the owners' share of capital costs on the re-development of Assiniboine Hospital on its present site.

The motion was presented and unanimously carried at a general meeting of club members at the Canadian Inn in Brandon on May 1.

In a letter afterwards to the Sanatorium Board of Manitoba, who operate this extended treatment hospital, A.C.T. President J. N. Cook pointed out that the Brandon Club was instrumental in raising \$85,000 for the Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Unit which is situated on the grounds of the Assiniboine Hospital.

"It is our desire," he said, "to see re-developments extend from this focal point. Brandon and Southwestern Manitoba cannot afford to lose this type of hospital."

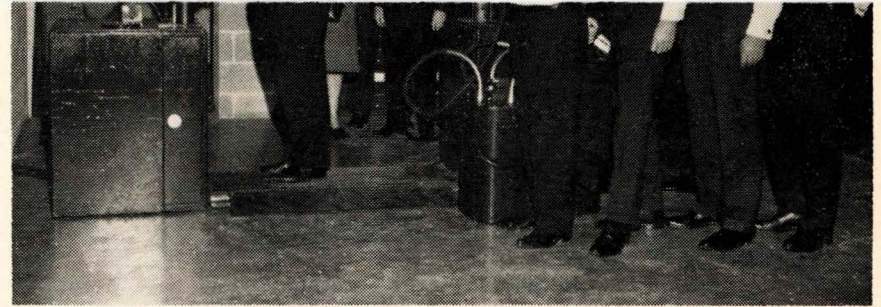
Twenty-four senior nurses and administrators from Manitoba rural hospitals attended a special workshop for registered nurses at Manitoba Sanatorium on April 12 and 13. The workshop, sponsored by the Nursing Service Committee of the Manitoba Association of Registered Nurses, was the third of a series of four held during the month in various parts of the province.

The weather was bright and sunny for the Ninette meeting and the Recreation Hall, with the still frozen Pelican Lake in the background, made a beautiful setting. Dr. A. L. Paine, medical superintendent, and Miss Derinda Ellis, director of nursing, welcomed the group to the Sanatorium.

The two-day sessions offered such discussion topics as nursing budgets, methods of patient care, patterns of staffing, job analysis and employee-management relationships and communications. Guest speakers were H. E. Heaton, director of education with the Associated Hospitals of Manitoba and Miss Sheila Nixon, consultant, Manitoba Hospital Commission.

Among the senior nurses and administrators who attended the workshop were the following from Ninette: Mrs. A. L. Paine, William Broadhead, Mrs. A. L. Hart, Miss Doreen Lewis, Granville Hall, Miss Kitty Lam, Miss Erika Simmons, Miss Anna Stephenson, Terence O'Brien and Mrs. E. R. Town.

Miss E. L. M. Thorpe, Sanatorium Board nursing consultant, chaired the second day sessions.



Employees at the Winnipeg City Hall and the Police Department were among the first to be x-rayed. Alderman Slaw Rebchuk gets his examination while waiting their turn are Aldermen Joseph Zuken, E. J. Enns, J. Cropro and Terry J. Hind. Also present for this occasion were (left to right in the background): Alderman Lillian Hallonquist, Dr. D. L. Scott and Dr. E. L. Ross of the Sanatorium Board, and Dr. R. G. Cadham, Medical Health Officer, City of Winnipeg Health Department.



More than 10,000 residents and employees had lined up for examinations by May 12. City public health nurses and Sanatorium Board volunteers canvassed all homes before the mobile x-ray units moved into each neighborhood. Other volunteers served as registrars in the units. Altogether some 500 people helped carry out the survey.

(Photos by David Portigal)

Second Engineer Joins Staff

The Sanatorium Board is very pleased to announce the appointment of *Douglas A. Hobson* to the full-time staff of the Prosthetics and Orthotics Research and Development Unit. Mr. Hobson, who this month receives his B.Sc. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Manitoba, will take charge of the unit's design work.

Mr. Hobson is the son of Mrs. Helen Hobson, secretary for the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital Occupational Therapy Department. He was born in Winnipeg, attended Gordon Bell High School and studied science for two years at United College before entering the School of Engineering.

During the summer months last year, Mr. Hobson worked with the P.O.R.D.U. staff and on the basis of this work and subsequent part-time work, he prepared as a graduation thesis a detailed report on improved prosthetic devices for the lower limb amputee.

He is married and he and his wife Joan have two children — Bruce, 3, and Carolyn, 2. An avid sportsman, he played hockey, basketball and volleyball with the university teams.

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The Sanatorium Board also welcomes *William P. Ivey* of Winnipeg, who has joined the P.O.R.D.U. staff for the summer as an electrical engineering assistant. Mr. Ivey will complete the requirements for his engineering degree next year at the University of

Manitoba and *Miss Noreen Yvonne Hall* has joined the Sanatorium Board's Surveys Department. Miss Hall is a graduate of the Licensed Practical Nursing School at the Manitoba Institute of Technology.

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Of special interest was the appointment last month of *Robert Gregg* of Winnipeg as vocational establishment officer in the Sanatorium Board's Special Rehabilitation Services division for Indians and Metis. Mr. Gregg, who is employed by the provincial department of health, is particularly suited to counselling for he has a background of knowledge and experience essential to this work.

As a mechanic and assistant shop foreman, Mr. Gregg gained a great deal of knowledge about machinery and the demands of industry. He also farmed in northern Manitoba in the decade following World War II and during the off-season worked at a variety of jobs, including cutting pulp and logging, and as a sawmill hand, cat skinner, truck driver and carpenter.

During the war Mr. Gregg served with the RCAF bomber

Trophies Presented At Spring Frolic

Over 150 staff members, their relatives and friends turned out for the annual Spring Frolic at the Winnipeg Elks Club on April 30. The event, organized by the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital and Central Tuberculosis Clinic recreation club, proved to be an outstanding success. It began with a sumptuous smorgasbord followed by dancing 'til midnight to the music of Mrs. Frank Whitehead's orchestra.

A special feature of the evening was the presentation of prizes to the hospital's bowling, curling and table tennis groups. The trophies were all donated by the Modern Building Cleaning Service.

Curling

Ed. Dubinsky's rink captured the curling trophy for the third consecutive year. The big trophy will again be displayed in the hospital's showcase, but small individual trophies will be kept by Mr. Dubinsky and his team members: Mrs. Margaret Tyler, third; Miss Heather Liddell, second and Miss Linda Joneson, lead.

Winner of the Novelty Bonspiel was another rink skipped by Mr. Dubinsky, with Miss E. G. Coull, third; Doug. Findlay, second; and Mrs. Sylvia O'Reilly, lead. Runner-up was Jim Zayshley's rink with Mrs. Findlay, third; Miss

Bulletin Board

The Medical Executive Committee of the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital recently elected new officers for the year 1965. Dr. M. J. Newman was elected president of the Medical Staff. Other officers are: Past president, Dr. Dwight Parkinson; vice-president, Dr. P. N. Porritt; secretary, Dr. F. D. Baragar.

Committee chairmen are: Credentials, Dr. D. Brodovsky; Medical Standards, Dr. R. R. P. Hayter; Admission and Discharge, Dr. T. MacCaughy.

Ex-officio members are Dr. L. H. Truelove, chief of medical services, A. H. Atkins, hospital manager, and T. A. J. Cummings, Sanatorium Board executive director.

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At a meeting last month at the Board of Trustees of the Winnipeg General Hospital, Dr. D. L. Scott and Dr. Paul Mari of the Central Tuberculosis Clinic were reappointed to the consultant staff.

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A number of Sanatorium Board Staff members are attending annual conferences during the next month. Taking part in the annual meeting of the Canadian Tuberculosis Association in Toronto June 8 to 11 are T. A. J.

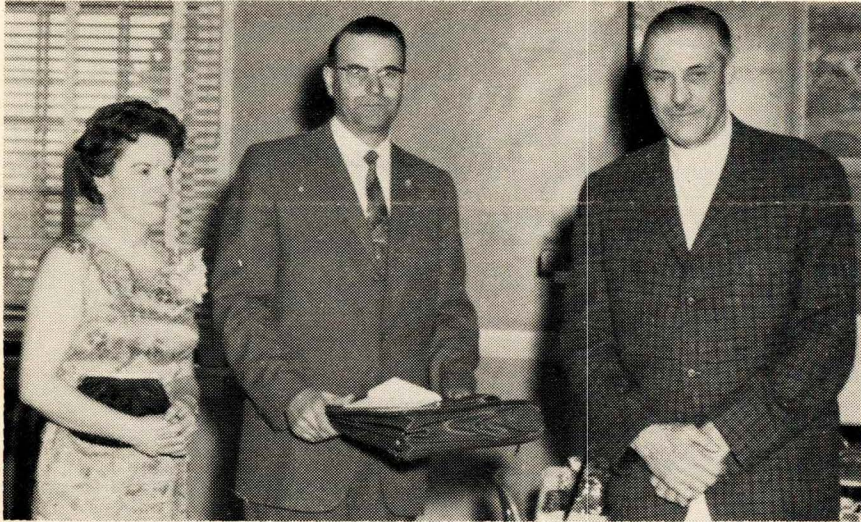
ba Rehabilitation Hospital staff are Mrs. Darby Elizabeth Spafford, physiotherapist, and Miss Lynne E. Humphreys, also of Winnipeg, gymnast in the Physiotherapy Department. Mrs. Spafford is a graduate of the University of Toronto School of Physiotherapy, and Miss Humphreys recently completed her studies in physical education at the University of North Dakota.

Patrick Joseph Noone is the new tradesman (carpentry) technician in the Occupation Therapy Depart-

overseas he attended the University of Manitoba for one year before deciding to take advantage of the government's offer of land and machinery to start farming.

Mr. Gregg's farm was only a few miles from the nearest Indian reserve. Life was hard during these years and Mr. Gregg came to know the people well by working and living with them.

The Sanatorium Board is very happy to welcome him to the staff.



HONOR WENDELL BRADFORD — Staff members at Manitoba Sanatorium held a farewell tea on March 31 in honor of Wendell Bradford, who has resigned from his post as sanatorium accountant to join the Investors Syndicate. Pictured with him at the tea are his wife, Ada, who was presented with a corsage, and Medical Superintendent Dr. A. L. Paine, right, who presented Mr. Bradford with a brief case, desk set and a sum of money. Mr. Bradford was a faithful employee at the sanatorium since July, 1947. He first came to Ninette as a patient, having contracted tuberculosis while serving with the Canadian Navy during the Second War. Although he is leaving the employ of the sanatorium, and his services will be greatly missed, he will not be leaving Ninette. We wish him every happiness and success in his new endeavours. (Photo by Bill Amos)

Bowling

The "Alley-Kats", captained by William Skoropatta, won the bowling trophy for the 1964-65 season. His team members were Mrs. Trudy Galloway, Peter Galloway, Brian Fortnam and Raymond Fortnam.

The consolation trophy was awarded to the "Spinners" — Joe Salypa (captain), Mrs. Shirley Salypa, Emery Porayko, Mrs. Agnes Porayko and Louis Peters.

The Team High Single was won by the "Rockets", with Mike Kowal as captain, and the "Spinners" and the Team High Three Games award was presented to the "Spinners".

Winners of the second, third and fourth quarters were: Rockets, the Miss-Fitts (Marven Thorgeirson as captain), and the Dutchies (Harold Parnell as captain).

Other prizes awarded included: Ladies' High Single, Mrs. Sylvia O'Reilly; Ladies' High Three, Mrs. Porayko; Ladies' High Average, Mrs. O'Reilly.

Men's High Single, Mike Kowal; Men's High Three, William Skoropata and Peter Galloway; Men's High Average, William Skoropata and Metro Daciw.

Table Tennis

Csaba Begai captured the trophy for the Table Tennis Singles tournament and Dr. Joe Wong was runner-up. A. H. Atkins and Steve Ecker won the Doubles event. Csaba Begai and Frank Major were runners-up.

Miss Mary Gray and Ted Locke. Dr. Paul Mari of the Central Tuberculosis Clinic will be attending the annual meeting of the National Tuberculosis Association and the American Thoracic Society in Chicago, May 30 to June 2.

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Edward Dubinsky, Sanatorium Board executive assistant, recently returned from the 18th annual meeting of the Upper Midwest Hospital Conference in Minneapolis. A member of the Board of Trustees, M. Dubinsky presided at one of the general sessions.

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Representatives from prosthetic and orthotic research and development centres in central and eastern Canada met in Montreal May 8 to review the activities of their units and exchange information. The Winnipeg group attending the one-day sessions included James Foort, technical director of the Biomechanics Laboratory, Dr. R. R. P. Hayter of the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital Medical Staff, research engineer Douglas Hobson and Mrs. Barbara Grainger, occupational therapist at the Children's Hospital of Winnipeg.

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Our warmest appreciation is expressed to the students of Sisler High School and the Jewish Community Orchestra who recently entertained patients at the Manitoba Rehabilitation Hospital.