



The Elephant, the Astronaut, and Shadows of the Cincinnati General Hospital:

**Curiosities Found in Four Decades at the University of
Cincinnati.**

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Friday, August 4th, 2023



Learning Objectives:

- 1) Identify the origins and features of some of UC's most unique locations.
- 2) Identify and describe events and personalities that are memorialized and reflected throughout the Academic Health Center.
- 3) Describe how the origin and history of the original Cincinnati General Hospital carry over into the modern Academic Health Center.

Target Audience:

Clinical Research Professionals (CRPs) at UC/H and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC): including Principal Investigators (PIs), Research Nurses (RNs), Critical Care Unit Nurses (RNs), Pharmacy Technicians and Regulatory Specialists.

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August 2023 Study of the month:

Adolescent Migraine Study

The Periscope Study

What

The purpose of this study is to evaluate Ubrogepant for the treatment of migraine in children and adolescents.

Who

Adolescents aged 12-17 years, who experience 1-4 migraines per month.

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Eligible participants will be compensated for their time and travel.

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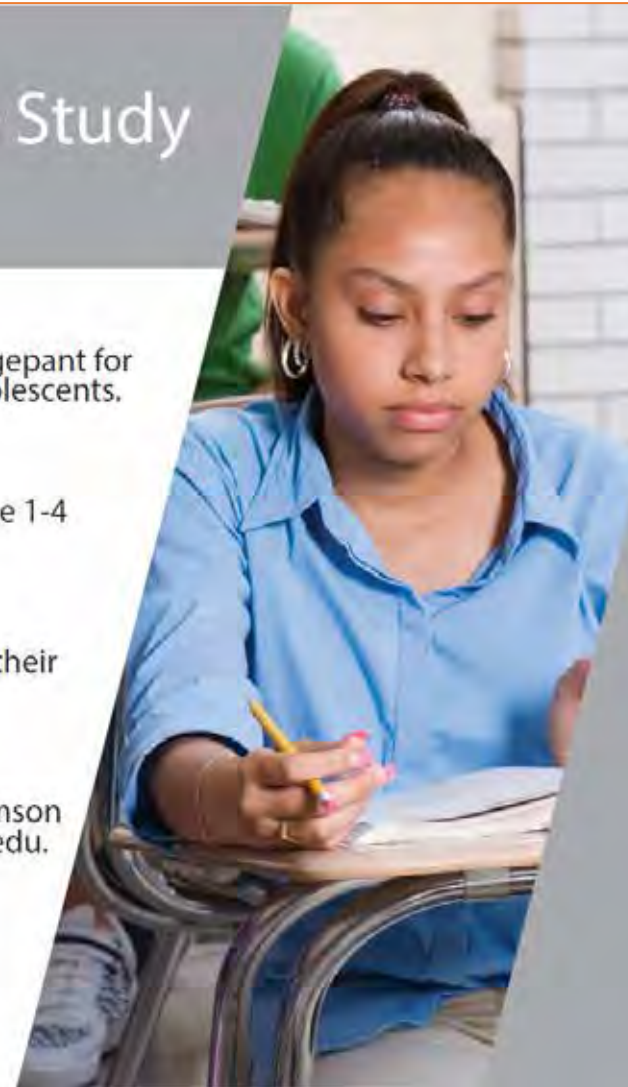
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UC / UC Health Clinical Research Orientation and Training (CRO&T)

Thursday, September 14th, 2023
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Virtual presentation

The last day of registration:
Friday, September 8th, 2023

Register [Here](#)

Please reach out to Nate Harris,
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SOCRA CRP CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION

Hosted by CCHMC

Tuesday, October 10th, 2023

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The Registration Deadline is Monday, August 28th, 2023

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CCHMC CRP will be hosting open review sessions prior to the exam date for anyone interested in August (Dates and times TBD) hosted on Microsoft Teams (link to be provided).

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**Office of Clinical Research
Lunch & Learn**

Thursday, August 17th, 2023, 12:00noon - 1:00pm
Virtual Presentation

**CTA vs. ICF Subject Injury Language:
When and when not to Edit**

Nate Harris

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Today's Presentation:

The Elephant, the Astronaut, and Shadows of the Cincinnati General Hospital:

Curiosities Found in Four Decades at the University of Cincinnati.

An informal session revealing the stories behind some of the UC's and the University of Cincinnati Medical Center's familiar names and locations, as well as some others that may be less familiar, but are hiding in plain sight.

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Brief history of University of Cincinnati



McMicken lit up at night. Photo/Tyler Stober, UC student in 2011 [+]

by [Deborah Rieselman](#)

From the beginning ...

1819: Founding of Cincinnati College and the Medical College of Ohio.

1870: The city of Cincinnati establishes the University of Cincinnati, which later absorbed the earlier institutions.

1906: The University of Cincinnati creates the world's first cooperative education program through its College of Engineering. ([Read UC Magazine article on co-op.](#))

1968: UC becomes a "municipally sponsored, state-affiliated" institution. During this time, the University of Cincinnati is the second-oldest and second-largest municipal university in the country.

July 1, 1977: UC becomes one of Ohio's state universities, the culmination of a transitional period that began in 1968.

Today: As the 18th largest university in the nation, UC offers more than 300 academic programs to more than 42,500 students. ([Read UC's numerous rankings.](#))

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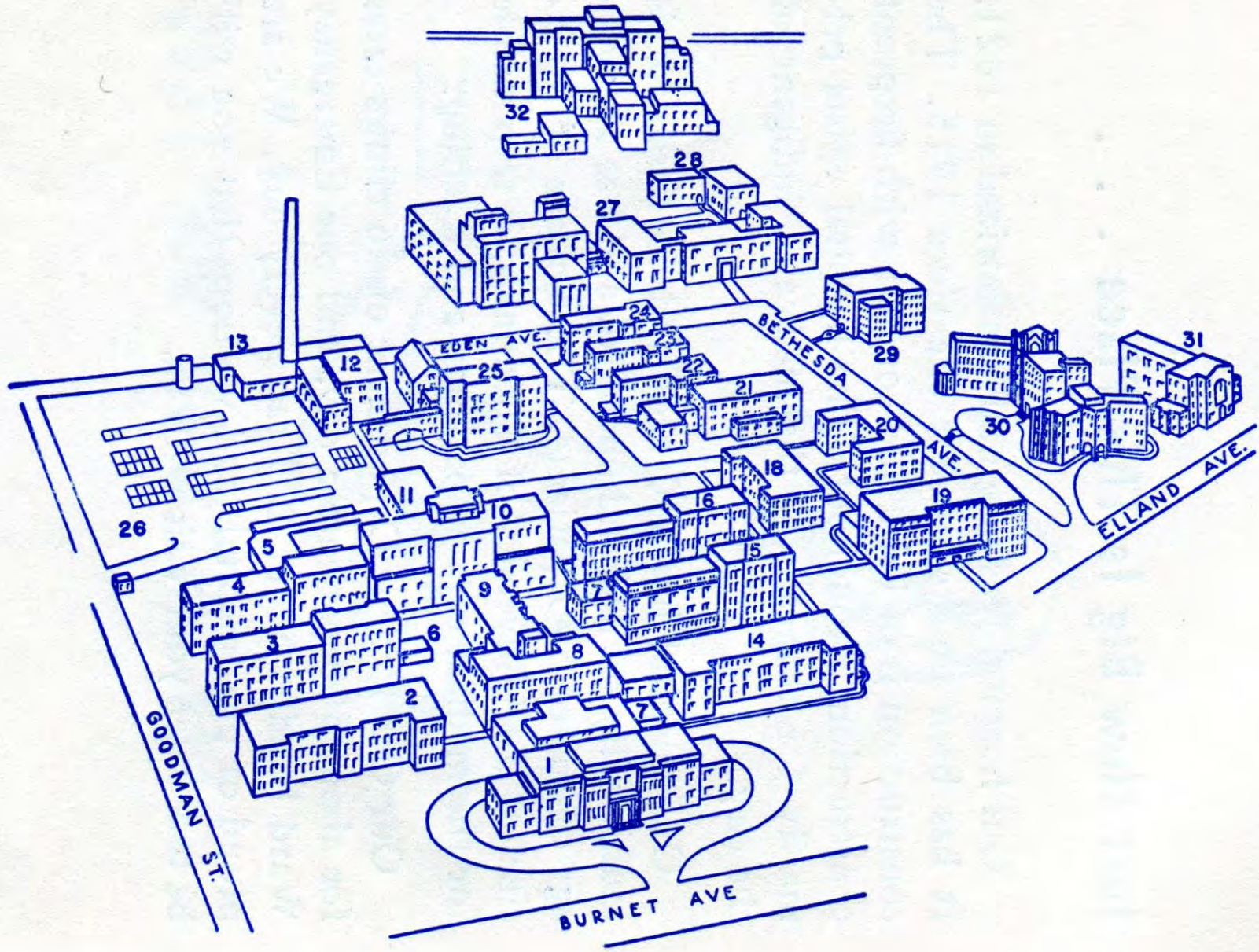
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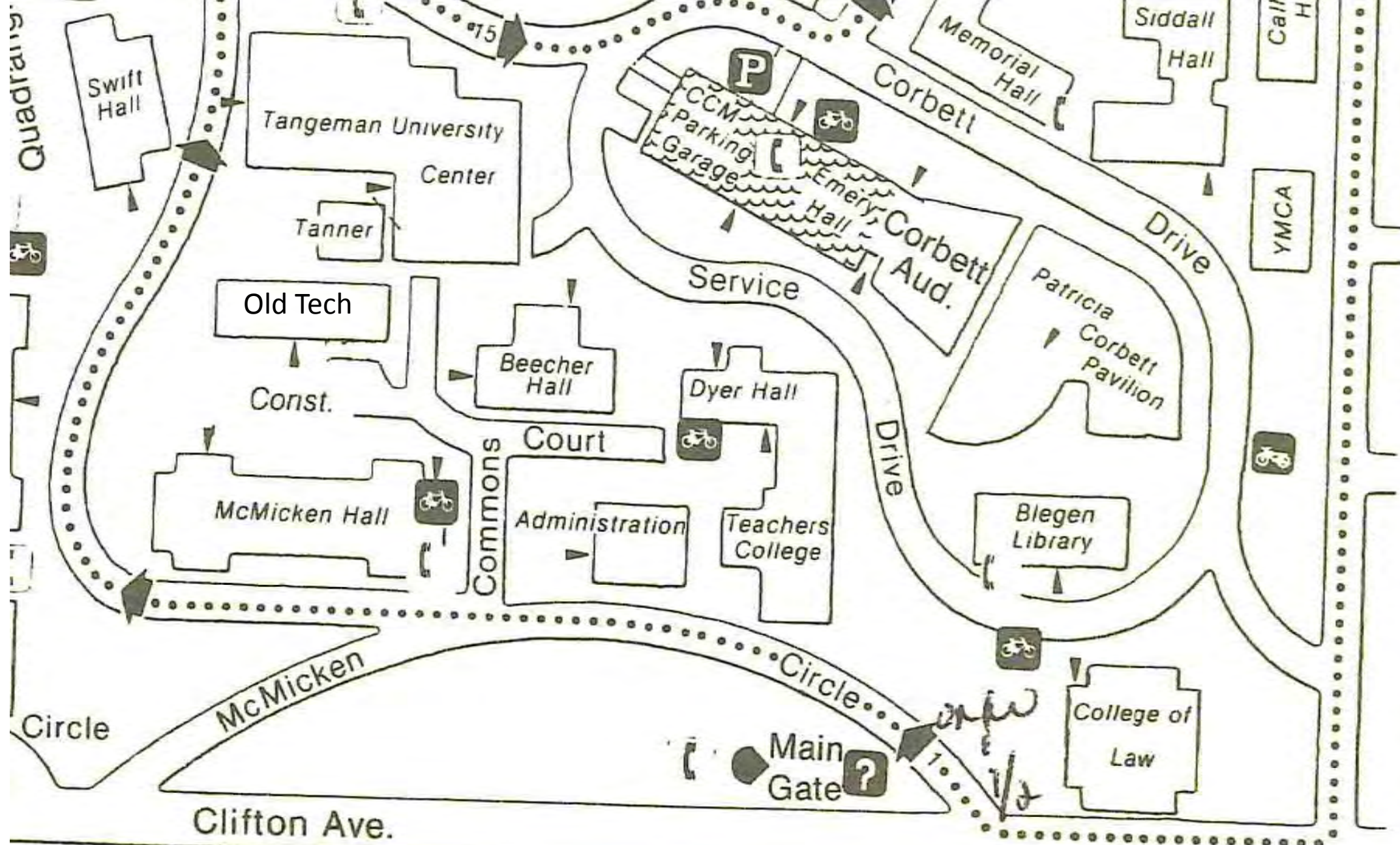


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The Elephant



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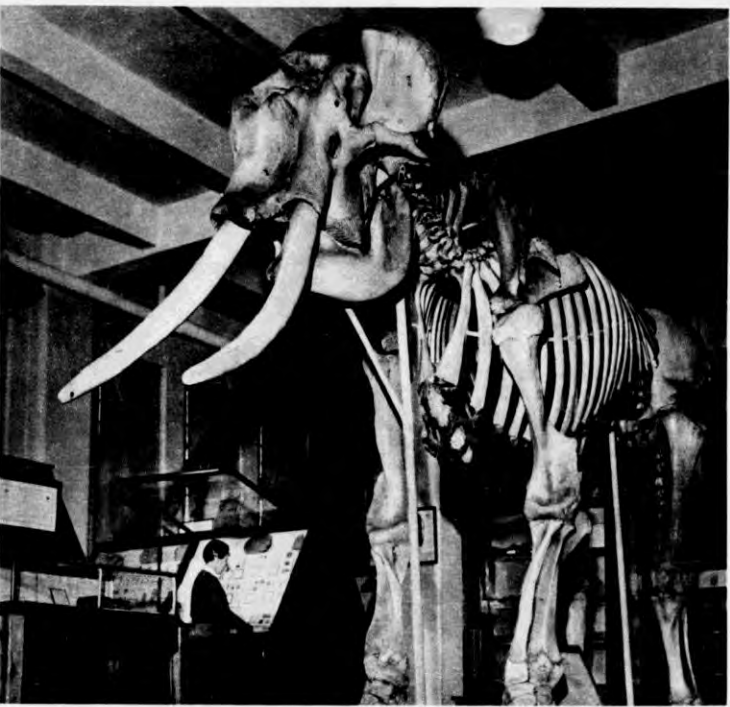
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Mrs. Bettina Dalve is a talented Cincinnati woman with time on her hands, approximately 500 million years of it. That is the age of the oldest fossil in the University of Cincinnati Geology Museum. What she has done with most of her own time in the past 10 years is to donate it to the University in a monumental job of revamping the museum. Her "hobby," as she calls the museum reorganization, is now nearing completion and old-timers will never recognize the former drab collection in the new, absorbing, easily understood presentation of the valuable specimens.

Mrs. Dalve served as acting curator from 1945 to 1948. This year she holds the post of assistant curator. In between she volunteered her services with assistance only from her equally talented mother, Mrs. Elizabeth King. Mrs. King helped with label making for the thousands of exhibits.

The museum collection has been divided into three sections: A systematic study collection of Cincinnati fossils; a display showing correlation between living forms and their fossil relatives from all over the world, and a "parade of life" illustrating the various fossils found throughout the world and their evolutionary trends.

Mrs. Dalve's interest in fossils started when she first moved to Cincinnati and saw fossils in creek beds. She began as a volunteer worker in the museum in 1938, "cleaning the birds," which have now flown to the UC zoology department. Luckily Mrs. Dalve did not leave. Because of her "hobby," Cincinnatians have a new and fascinating museum to visit.

The skeleton of "Old Chief" (shown at the top of the page) dominates the main room of the museum, just as he once towered at the head of two of America's largest circuses and later awed visitors at the Cincinnati Zoo. A thoroughly bad actor, he was finally destroyed and came to rest among the UC fossils where, though no fossil himself, he is used to illustrate the general structure of the entire elephant family. The label illustrates Old Chief's position in the evolutionary scale in relation to his ancient forebears.

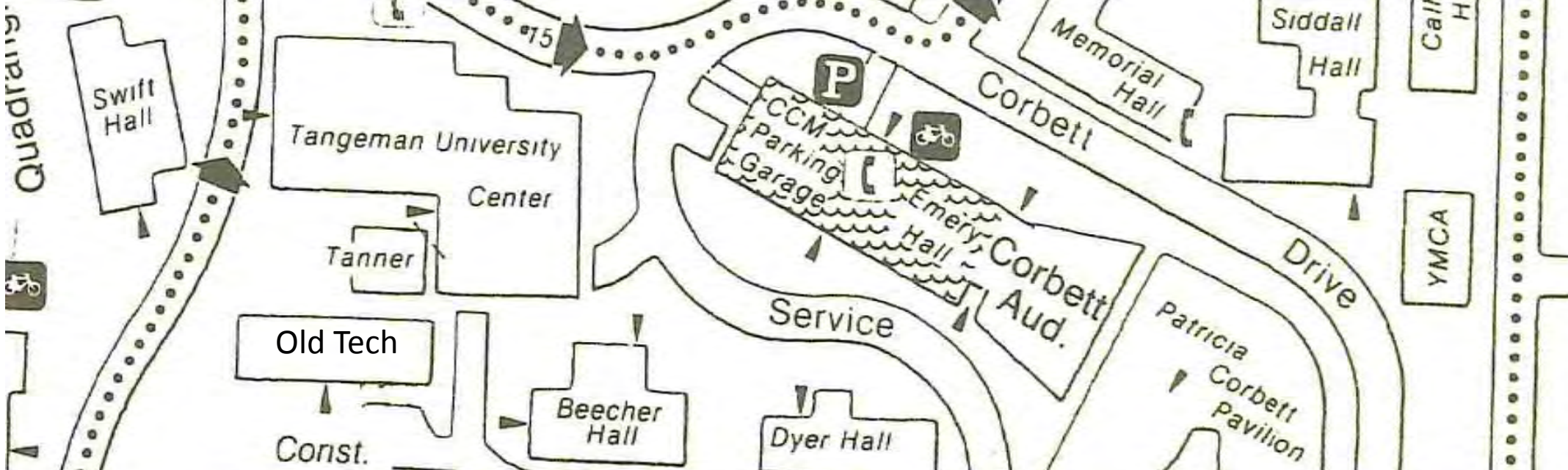
UC GEOLOGY MUSEUM



Mrs. Dalve holds drawings she made.

Susie, World's Only Trained Gorilla, Cincinnati Zoo,
Cincinnati, Ohio





University of Cincinnati Leather Research Laboratory

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Location:

Ohio, United States

Laboratory Description:

This department of the University of Cincinnati is the only dedicated leather testing facility in the United States. Originally known as the "Tanners Laboratory", we opened our doors in 1924. We are a ISO 17025 certified laboratory dedicated to testing leather, and advancing leather research. We have helped many companies develop test methods and specifications for their products. Since we are a part of the University of Cincinnati, we have the capability to do long term research projects, that other labs may not be capable of doing.

The Astronaut



(UC Magazine)

Neil Armstrong's wrecks and near wrecks

Professor's superb piloting skills served little purpose in unmanned car

by Deborah Rieselman



Armstrong's unmanned car rolled into another car.
(UC Photo)

http://magazine.uc.edu/content/dam/magazine/images/favorites/web-only/armstrong/armstrong_car1.jpg

Neil Armstrong's ability to maneuver out of harm's way in the sky led NASA officials to praise his piloting skills numerous times. Unfortunately, such skills were of no use in protecting his car while it was parked on the University of Cincinnati campus.

Soon after he started teaching aeronautical engineering at UC in 1971, Armstrong received a personal visit from Ed Bridgeman, Ed '76, M (A&S) '83, the UC police chief at the time (and now coordinator of the UC Clermont College criminal justice program). "I said there was a problem with his car and asked him to walk with me to there," Bridgeman says.

https://www.newsrecord.org/news/university-architects-plan-to-remove-aging-crosley-tower-from-campus/article_b5b84cb6-d795-11e8-8ccc-0f68dd71a403.html

EDITOR'S PICK

FEATURED

University architects plan to remove aging Crosley Tower from campus

Mitchell Parton | News Editor

Oct 24, 2018



Crosley Tower could be demolished as soon as 2025.

Patrick Murphy | TNR File Art

After years of speculation, Crosley Tower has an expiration date.

Shadows of Cincinnati General Hospital

1865 – First ambulance service in the United States

1938 – UC's Hoxworth Blood Center is created, one of the first regional blood centers.

1942 – Benadryl, the world's first antihistamine, is created by UC faculty member George Rieveschl, PhD.

1946 – UC's Charles Barrett, MD creates General Hospital's first "Cancer Detection Center".

1948 – UC's Richard Vilter, MD creates one of the first Hematology/Oncology divisions in the country.

1951 – Three UC faculty members develop the world's first functional heart-lung machine.

1960 – Oral polio vaccine created by UC faculty member Albert Sabin, MD is distributed to kids via "Sabin Sundays" saving an estimated 500,000 lives in the first 2 years.

1961 – Nation's first medical laser laboratory.

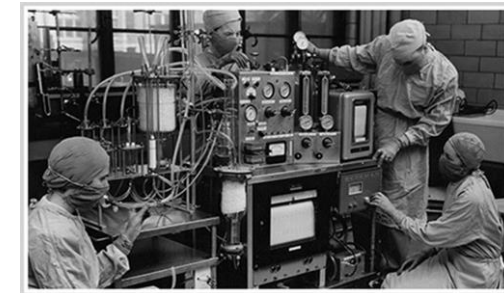
1970 – Nation's first Emergency Medicine residency program.

1984 – UC faculty member John Tew, MD is the country's first surgeon to receive FDA approval to use the YAG laser to vaporize previously inoperable brain tumors.

Late 1980s – Led by Joseph Broderick, MD, UC neurologists study of tPA for the treatment of acute ischemic stroke establishes a protocol for quick diagnosis and treatment of stroke, changing how the world cares for stroke patients.



George Rieveschl, PhD



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LAZARUS

1819 – Daniel Drake, MD creates the Medical College of Ohio, the precursor to UC College of Medicine – and the 2nd oldest public college of medicine in the US.

1820 – Dr. Drake initiates a campaign to establish a hospital to provide **experience for medical students, creating the country’s first teaching hospital.** The Commercial Hospital and Lunatic Asylum opens in 1823 at the Corner of 12th and Central.

1861 – The City takes control of the hospital and changes the name to Commercial Hospital of Cincinnati. In 1869, a new structure is built on the same site, with the new name of The Cincinnati Hospital.

1909 – **Construction begins on the “new” General Hospital in Avondale,** to be completed in 1915.

1929 – Holmes Hospital opens.

1960 – Voters approved a charter amendment to transfer administration of General Hospital from the City of Cincinnati to the University of Cincinnati.

1960 – Pediatric services transferred from General Hospital to Cincinnati Childrens Hospital.

1978 – UC becomes full state university, Cincinnati General Hospital leased from City.

1982 – Cincinnati General Hospital changes its name to University of Cincinnati Hospital, to reflect its academic affiliation and mission.



Daniel Drake, MD

1988 – University Board of Trustees creates University of Cincinnati Medical Associates, Inc. (UCMC) UCMC, later renamed UC Physicians, Inc., will eventually consolidate more than a dozen departmental practice corporations and become the single practice plan corporation for the College of Medicine.

1995 – Health Alliance of Greater Cincinnati is created, eventually including:

- Christ Hospital
- Ft. Hamilton
- Jewish Hospital
- St. Luke Hospital(s)
- University Hospital



1997 – University Hospital is privatized, separating its ownership from the University, and incorporates as University Hospital, Inc.

2009 – West Chester Medical Center (now West Chester Hospital, LLC) opens.

2010 – Health Alliance effectively ends with departures of Jewish Hospital and Ft. Hamilton Hospital, following a process begun with the departure of Christ Hospital in 2006.

2010 – Health Alliance amends its articles of incorporation, changing its name to UC Health, LLC and identifying UC Healthcare System as its sole member.

2011 – University Hospital adopts name University of Cincinnati Medical Center (UCMC), enters into affiliation agreement and employee lease with UC Physicians, Inc.

Hospital, Heal Thyself

*University Hospital called its secret privatization plan “Batman.”
And when the secret got out, it would have taken a superhero to
clean up the public relations mess.*



There were hand-lettered protest signs and catcalls. Administrators sat in frosty silence, and a group of spectators mocked the proceedings in a colorful sideshow led by community activist Buddy Gray.

It was a University of Cincinnati trustees meeting the likes of which hasn't been seen since the '60s. The vote to privatize University Hospital attracted an audience of 200; during the five public hearings that preceded it, 140 people trooped in to have their say. Within hours of the vote, one lawsuit was filed, another was on the way.

University Hospital's move to change from a public to a private, nonprofit hospital has been, by most accounts, a public relations fiasco. Some say the hospital should have called in spin doctors as soon as the bleeding started. Others affirm that a preventive check-up would have been in order.

The outcome might have been the same, but the price would have been lower. And isn't that what managed health care is all about?

“University Hospital’s move to change from a public to a private, nonprofit hospital has been, by most accounts, a public relations fiasco...The whole affair has been labeled by some a PR disaster – ‘A model of how not to do it.’”

By Linda Vaccariello

Council: Leave University Hospital be

But city approval may not be necessary

BY TIM BONFIELD

The Cincinnati Enquirer

Cincinnati City Council, saying the privatization of University Hospital would have an enormous impact on the community, adopted a resolution Wednesday opposing any change in the hospital's status until council analyzes the proposal.

The resolution, which passed 5-1, was sponsored by council members Dwight Tillery, Minette Cooper and Roxanne Qualls. Mr. Tillery said the resolution sends a message that the university should deal with council in an open and ongoing way.

"We're not saying, 'Don't do it,'" Mr. Tillery said. "We're saying, 'We need to know what's going on, and in a timely fashion.'"

The resolution was the latest development in "The Batman Project," the code name for a quiet plan to convert the city's only public hospital into a private, non-profit hospital.

The council resolution states University Hospital plays a vital role as a medical center for poor people and is a major employer. As such, council has a right and duty to analyze any major change in the hospital's status.

Councilman Phil Heimlich, the sole opponent Wednesday, said, "I am in support of the privatization of University Hospital. I think it is the only way it's going to survive in the market of medical services."

James Wesner, general counsel



Dwight Tillery

for the University of Cincinnati, declined to comment on the resolution.

The resolution passed 5-1. Council members Todd Portune, Winburn, Tillery, Qualls and Cooper voted in favor. Mr. Heimlich voted against. Nick Vehr was excused for potential conflict of interest, while Tyrone Yates and Bobbie Sterne were absent.

Whether council can block the plan is another question.

Last week, City Solicitor Fay Dupuis said a council vote was required to transfer or assign a lease for city-owned land occupied by University Hospital.

In a modified opinion Friday, Ms. Dupuis said Mr. Wesner was correct when he said language requiring such a vote was amended out in 1986.

Mr. Wesner said he thinks city approval is not required to move forward with privatization.

But Ms. Dupuis said council might still have legal authority to get involved. Council consent would be required if going private somehow alters obligations of UC trustees.

A council vote was considered important by opponents of the plan because it offered another public forum to debate the issue.

Meanwhile, other reactions are popping up as more detail emerges about the privatization plan:

► The House Staff Association,

a union representing 530 resident physicians at University Hospital, disputes the administration view that going private will void the union.

"That's what the hospital is saying, but that's not the law," said Jeffrey Rugg, a union organizer.

Although federal law designates residents as students, who are not covered by the National Labor Relations Act, it is still legal for residents to organize, he said.

► In response to questions from several physicians, University Hospital officials sought to clarify how they think privatization would af-

fect malpractice cases.

Going private means direct employees of University Hospital — residents, nurses and others — would lose individual immunity because they would no longer be state employees.

Faculty attending physicians are likely to keep their individual immunity because they would continue to be employed by the state-owned UC College of Medicine, said Gary Harris, UC director of risk management.

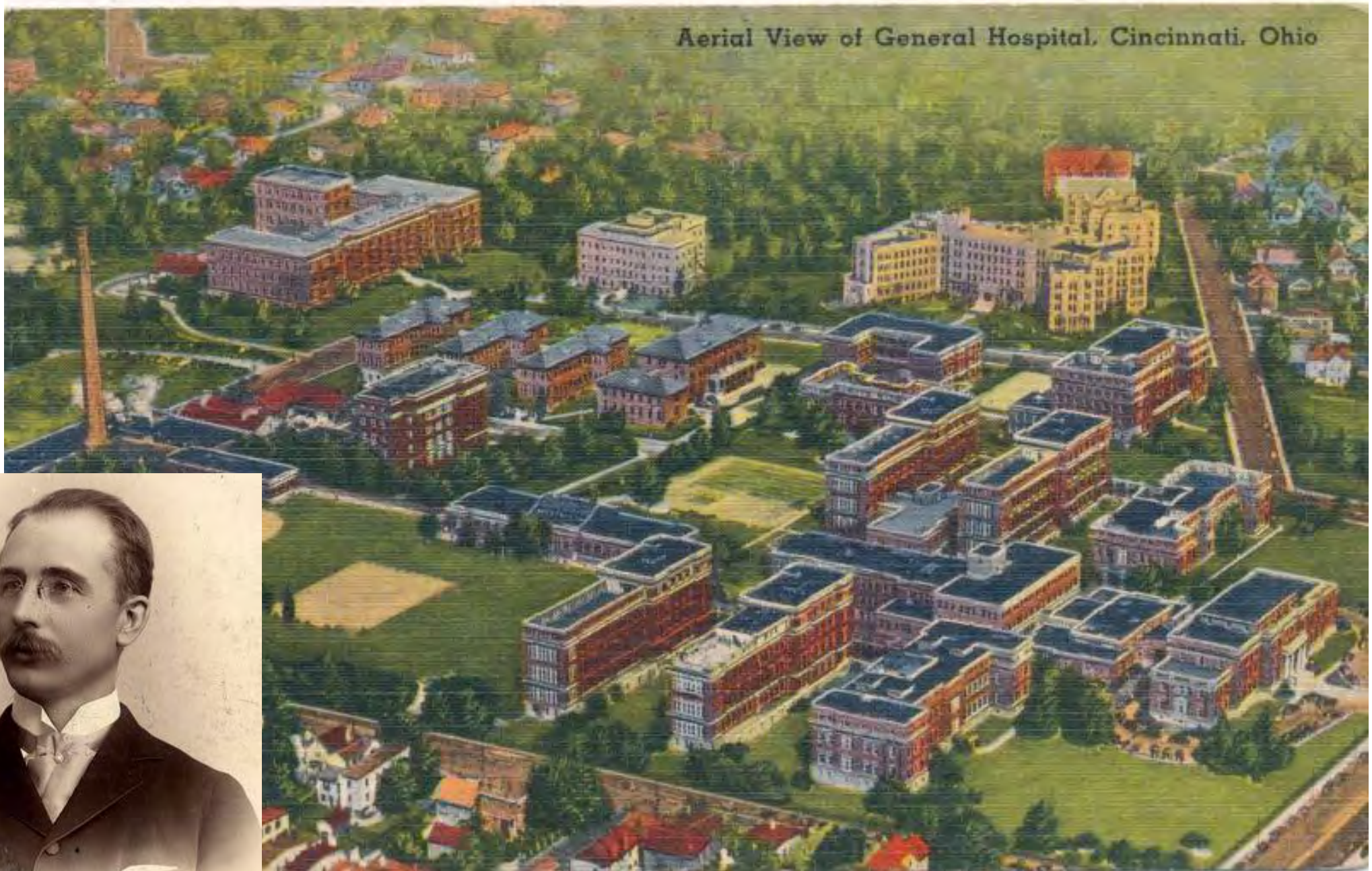
Laura Goldberg contributed.



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Aerial View of General Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio



Notes on the grounds,
Cincinnati General Hospital
Area—27 acres, bounded by Burnet,
Goodman, Eden, and Cross Streets.
The first purchase consisted of 15
acres, to which was subsequently
added the tract south of it, containing
12 acres. The northern portion of the
12 acre tract formed a huge hump, in
places from 30 to 40 feet above the
grade line, while to the west the
ground sloped into a deep ravine.

The grading was in itself a great
undertaking, requiring a large force
of men and teams, besides a huge
steam-shovel and miniature trains
of locomotive and dumping cars,
working almost constantly for more
than a year.

The whole 27 acres (with the excep-
tion of the ground occupied by the
contagious group of buildings, which
purposely has been sloped to a lower
level) has been so graded that patients
can be conveyed upon stretchers
through the sub-corridors from one
end of the grounds to the other with-
out the use of steps or elevators.

Christian R. Holmes, 1918

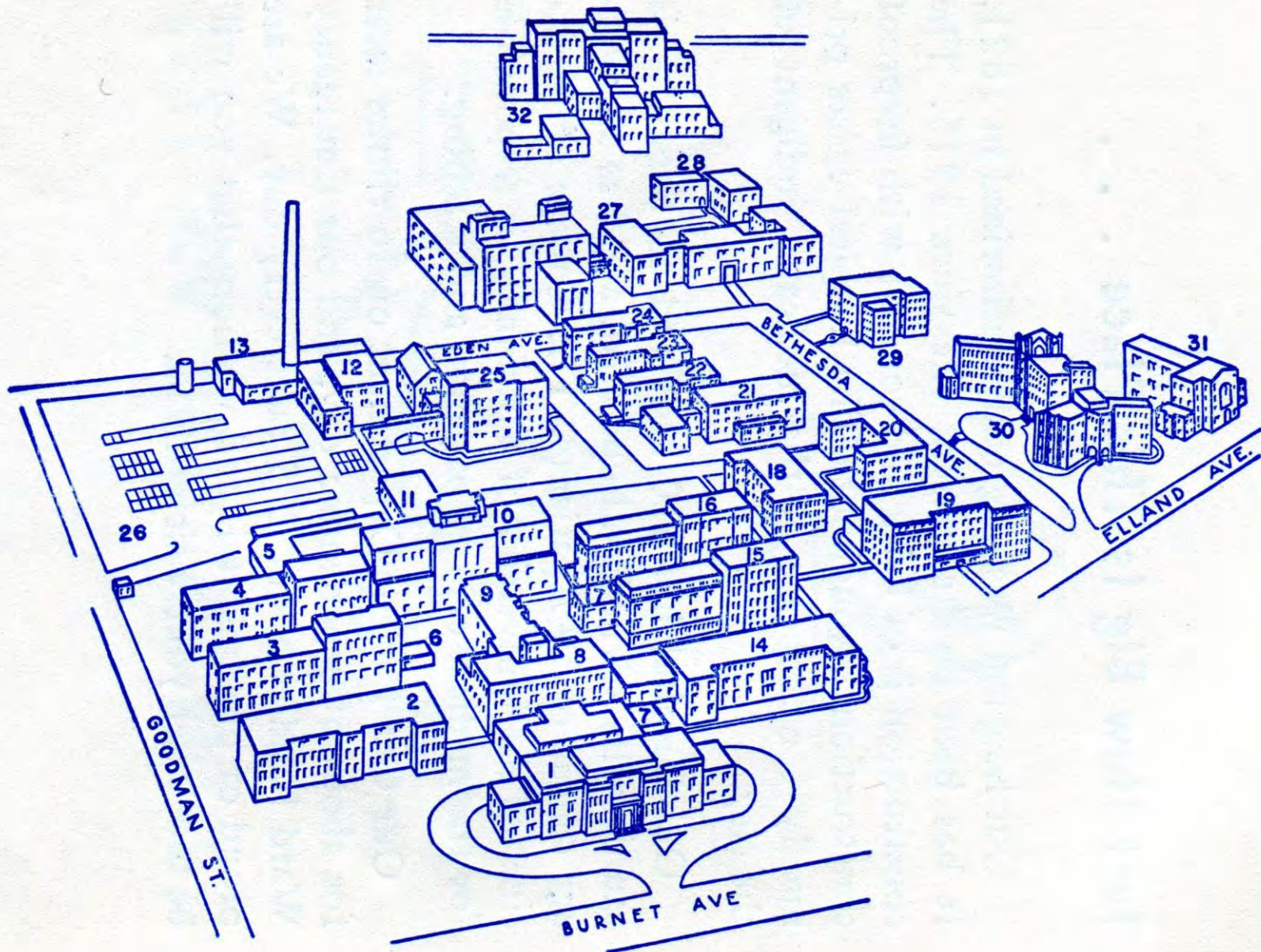
Former President William Howard Taft,
visiting the grounds of the new hospital,
declared, "I think that this is the greatest
institution in the country." A sharp-eared
reporter also heard Taft telling his hosts,
"I also wish to thank you for the exercise;
I have walked enough this morning to
know that I have been walking."



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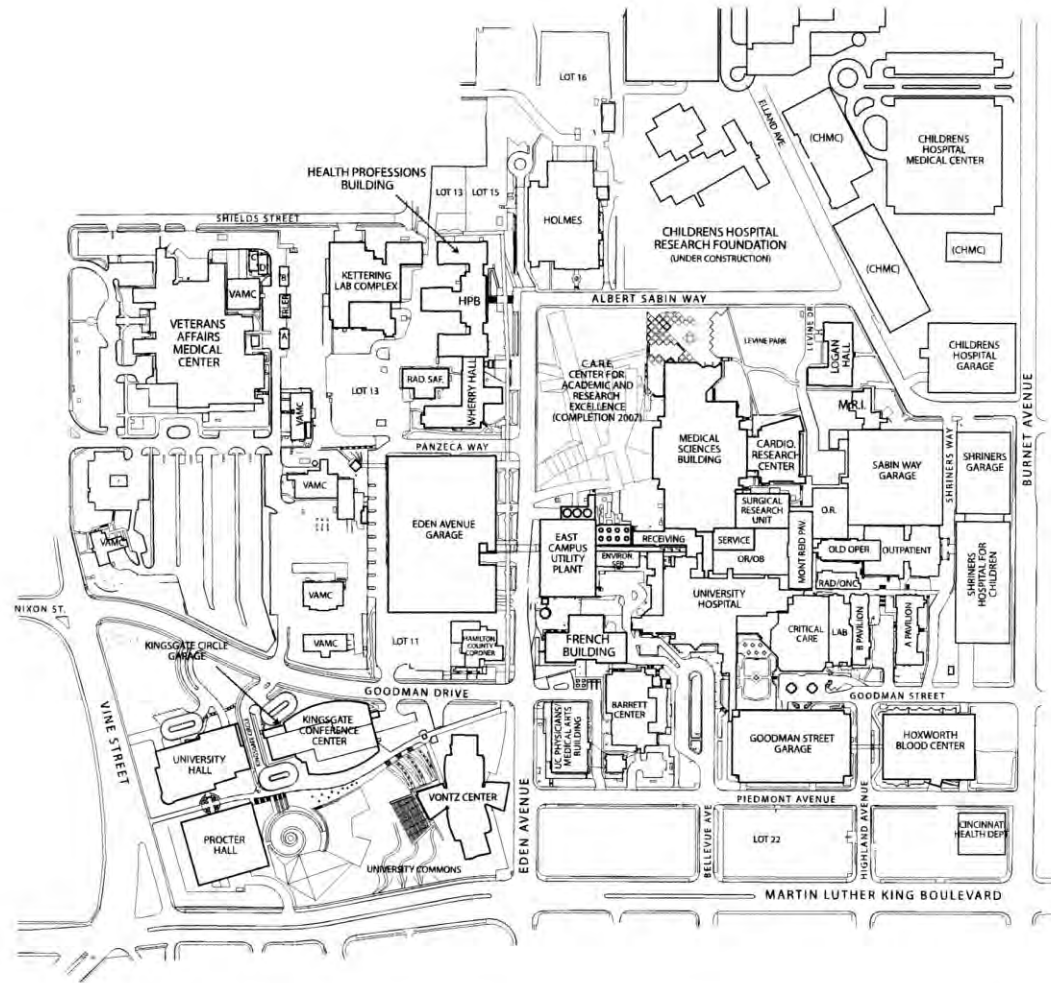




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Camilla Warrick

She's healthy, and fighting breast cancer

You'd think that Helen Rankin has been lobbying for a free lunch — complete with valet parking and complimentary cocktails.

Such is the opposition this Democratic representative from Cincinnati has faced for more than a year in the Ohio Legislature. Actually, what she's asking for is already law in 32 other states. It's a measure to curtail the second-deadliest cancer among women.

Officer's instinct snared suspect

Alleged impostor fit into scene at area hospitals, policeman says

BY LINDA DONO REEVES
The Cincinnati Enquirer

A cop's sixth sense is what ultimately tripped up Thomas David West.

West hung around hospitals that Cincinnati police officers frequent. He fit in with the scene. He acted as if he were supposed to be there.

But West, 32, also impersonated a doctor, police say. And that's when he crossed the line.

"He talked a good game. He's very intelligent," David Russell, a Cincinnati District 4 police officer, said Saturday. He became acquainted with West during the past year or two.

But a few little things — he wouldn't say what — made Russell suspicious. The officer started to dig around on his own

time and found enough inconsistencies to turn the case over to the pharmaceutical-diversion unit of the police Central Vice Control Section.

West, who has listed College Hill and Lakeside Park and Erlanger, Ky., as local addresses, was arrested Wednesday.

West

He faces three counts of practicing medicine without a license, two counts of illegally writing prescriptions and two counts of felonious sexual penetration for allegedly performing Pap smears. Addi-



tional charges are pending.

"I started looking into things about a month ago because things didn't seem right," Russell said. "But you have to be careful. . . . He could have been legit."

Russell first ran into West a year or two ago at University Hospital while the policeman was working. About this year, they became better acquainted and sometimes met after work, the officer said.

A few months ago, West formed a minor operation in the suture room of a local hospital. He had a scar from the surgery, would be normal even if it had done the procedure. It was not known yet if he has come back, Russell would not say.

about the nature of the operation at the hospital because of the pending charges. He did say he tried to pay West for his services, but the man refused his money.

"I got to talking to him out and around," Russell said. "I'm a cop; I pay attention to what people say."

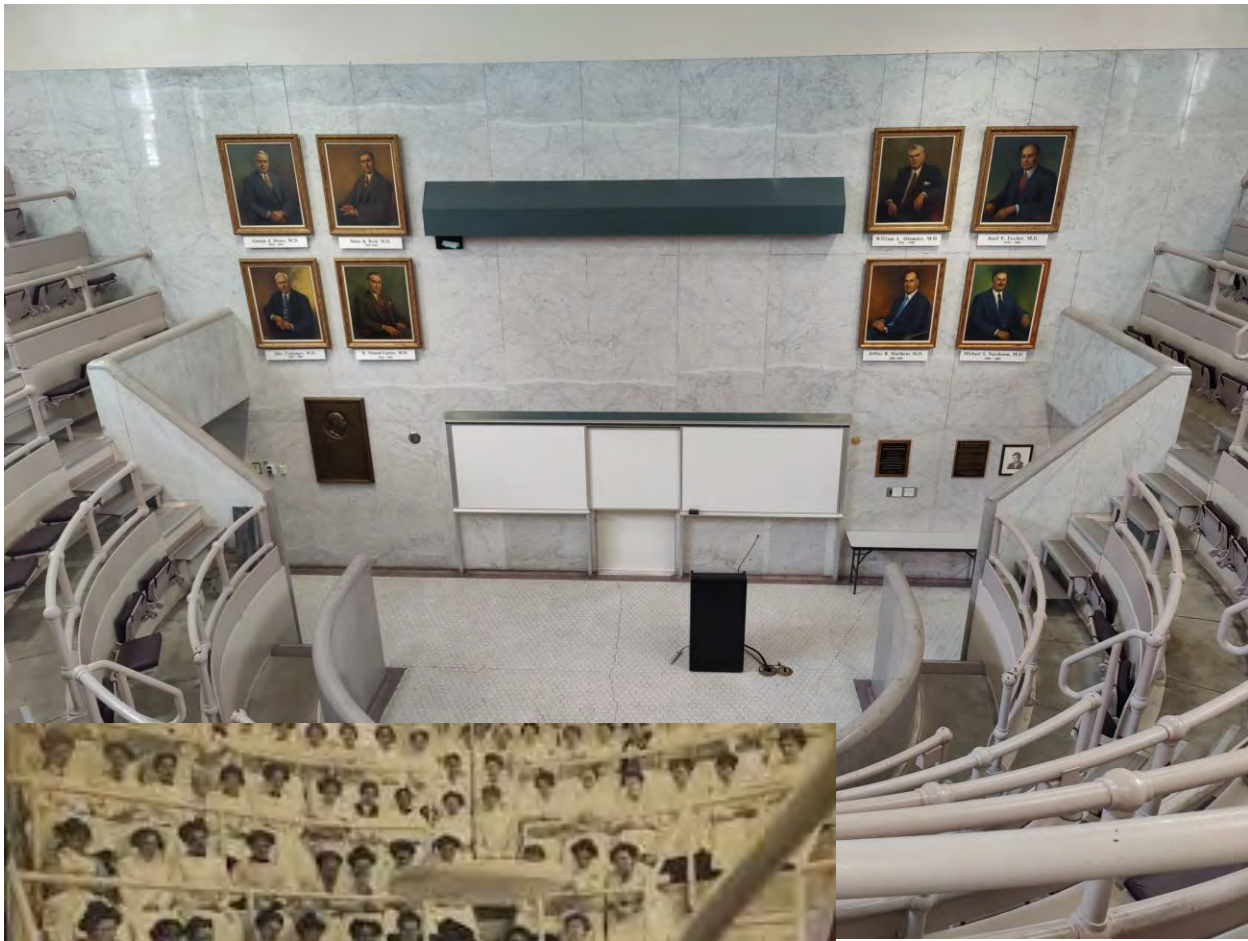
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A Memorial To Caring, Captured In Stone

For many of us, the daily journey of the working day brings us by a bit of hospital history, "The Gloved Hands." This marble sculpture, now displayed at the base of the hospital's grand staircase, was dedicated in March 1970 to commemorate Howard Thomas Fox, M.D. Fox, a member of the U.S. Army Reserve, was a surgical resident at Cincinnati General Hospital when he died in 1969 of an injury sustained while on active duty in Vietnam. Quoted at the dedication was an excerpt from a Surgery Department evaluation of Fox: "There is no question but that he has given his patients excellent, reliable care, that his technical work has been outstanding, and that he has been a good team member. He has been popular because of his ability to accept responsibility and to carry it out effectively, whether on the wards or in the operating room." Robert D. McGuire of Dayton, Ohio, created the sculpture. Shown here at the dedication in 1970 is McGuire with Fox's wife and son. ♦





Hospital, courtyard, Critical Care Pavilion (far right), 1995

TIPOFF



Jim Knippenberg

Telephone Freebies

Reaching out and touching someone, so to speak, the Safeco Insurance Co. Sunday will throw open its doors and its WATT's lines for senior citizens who want to phone home. Or anywhere else in Canada or the United States, except Alaska or Hawaii. All free, this third annual Holiday Hotline, on account of Safeco thinks people should be able to talk to relatives and friends at Christmas, whether they can afford it or not. All a senior need do is appear at the Safeco office, which we're told is on a bus line at 5901 E. Galbraith between Kenwood and Montgomery Hds. in the shadow of Kenwood Mall, and ring up the loved one of his or her choice. Included are punch, cookies and social affair to further lighten spirits.

Disease Patrol

Don't kid yourselves, people. We know just where some of you are reading this and it's not a pretty sight. But it makes it easier to bring up—how do we say it delicately—diarrhea. Well sir, Dr. Herbert DuPont of the University of Texas, who's ever willing to discuss this stuff, herewith suggests treatment guidelines. For mild cases, shall we say three visits a day and no other symptoms, all you need is plenty of fluids to avoid dehydration. Those requiring more visits but suffering no other symptom need an absorbent, which contains pectin. For multiple symptoms, including cramps, vomiting, fever and ill will from the rest of the family which would like to use the room, get a prescription. So there. Nice breakfast talk, eh?

Slow Down, Sonny

This is the thanks a TV network gets. It works, it slaves, it wears its crayons to vertebrae rubbins making a kid a star and then what does he do? He threatens to grow and ruins everything. Such as young Emmanuel Lewis. Webster on the series of the same name (8:30 p.m. Fridays, Channel 12). See, the lad plays a 7-year-old on the show, but he's really a 12-year-old junior high student. Honest. And he has this brother name of Chris who, like Emmanuel, was 40 inches at age 12 but had a major growth spurt and shot up to adult height in about 30 minutes. Or however long these adolescent spurts take. Which news troubles the "Webster" people on account of 5-foot, 6-inch 7-year-olds can be such a problem. More on this as time goes by.



EMMANUEL LEWIS

Kentucky Looks Back

THE CAST HAS BEEN DYED



Enquirer photos BY ANJALISA KRAFT

VITO RALLO leaves Cincinnati next month, but neither Rallo, nor his unique way with words will be soon forgotten.

BY ANKE McLEOD
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VITO RALLO would like to be remembered in terms of the chart on his office wall. In slender red and black columns, it indicates the financial status of University Hospital from the time he was hired as administrator (Spring, 1976) to the present. On the chart, the red columns steadily diminish and give way to black, indicating the hospital's shift from being close to \$15 million in debt to showing nearly that same amount in profit. That's how Rallo would like to be remembered, anyway. But a good percentage of his co-workers at University Hospital will treasure his memory for other than fiscal reasons. When Rallo leaves Cincinnati next month to become president of Roger Williams Hospital in Providence, R.I., a lot of people will miss the unique way he handled words, not figures.

Rallo is known for his malapropisms—a tempery word which means a humorous misuse of a word or phrase (some malapropisms are also referred to as "spoonerisms," after a long-tongued clergyman named William Spooner). Though he's a little bashful about the trait, Rallo admits that half the time he does it on purpose, just for effect. The other half may just be a result of his rapid-fire delivery. Rallo talks with the staccato speed of someone whose ideas are always a half-beat ahead of his vocal cords. Whatever the reason, Rallo's malapropisms have been a source of amusement at the hospital for years. So when his resignation was announced, staff writers for *Corridor*, the hospital's employee magazine, decided to immortalize a few "Ralloisms" for posterity. The list included: "The cast has been dyed," "No skin off my toes," and "Up a tree without a paddle." During an interview, Rallo downplayed his propensity for malapropisms, then promptly indulged in one. While speaking about donating blood, he referred to a universal donor—someone who can give blood to anyone—as "a national donor."

When Rallo, 50, was named as administrator in 1976, University Hospital (General Hospital in those days) had just been rocked by a \$48,000 payroll records scandal. But the payroll case was only the tip of the iceberg, said Rallo. "I just started overturning stones," he said. "And every time I turned one over, I found another one that needed to be turned, as well." There was a time, said Rallo, when the fiscal picture looked so dark at the hospital that "I feared for my own professional reputation." Next to the chart with the procession of red and black columns in his office, Rallo has hung a clown who is juggling money bags. There was a time, he admitted, when the financial picture was so bleak that he took down that picture—it was too true to life to be funny. But Rallo, often putting in 16-hour days, started making changes. Some of the progress made by the hospital during his administration:

- The shift from a city to a state-supported hospital.
- Merger with the Christian Holmes Hospital.
- Computerized patient registration.
- Remaining five-bed wards converted to private and semi-private rooms.
- Office of Quality Assurance established to monitor patient care.
- New Burns Special Care Unit, Center for Emergency Care, surgical/obstetric and shock/resuscitation units opened.

"The one thing I think I did here," said Rallo, "was to get people to believe that we could do things. It seemed like all I was hearing at first was, 'We can't do that.'"

Rallo's wife, Marilyn, is a registered nurse. They have three children: Lorraine, Carolyn and Jennifer. When Rallo was hired, UC vice president Sam Troupe made a prediction: "He will, I have no doubt, achieve national recognition within a few years. And then we'll be lucky to keep him here."

It took Troupe's self-prophecy 7½ years to be fulfilled.



Here's a partial list of the phrases *Corridor* staff writers turned up by interviewing some of Rallo's co-workers:

- Even an old horse can learn to drink.
- Watch out or we'll be nipped in the bud.
- School's still out on him.
- Don't fall over your laurels.
- Between a horse and a rock plate.
- No skin off my toes.
- Fulfilling a self-prophecy.
- We've been quartered and hined.
- Ignorance of the law is bliss.
- Bark is louder than bite.
- Up a tree without a paddle.
- A Freudian split.
- Sniding remarks.
- Taking crackpots at them.
- Looking under my shoulder.
- Armpit logic.





Marie Brown championed UC hospital

Executive guided building campaign

BY LUCY MAY
The Cincinnati Enquirer

Marie Brown, a top Health Alliance executive and the first woman to win the Delbert L. Pugh Award for outstanding leadership and achievement in hospital planning and marketing, died Wednesday of an apparent heart attack.

She was 45.
"She was able to balance her professional life with the family," said her husband, John Woliver, a well-known attorney in Batavia. "We have two very busy kids, and they came first in her life. She was very devoted to them."

A New Richmond resident, Ms. Brown was Vice President of Planning at the Health Alliance and Administrator for Planning and Marketing for The University Hospital. She was hired by the University of Cincinnati Medical Center in 1981 and was instrumental in changing the hospital's name from Cincinnati General Hospital to the University of Cincinnati Hospital and, later, The University Hospital.



Ms. Brown
Brown's for 20 years. "She worked miracles."

Among her miracles was The University Hospital's multimillion dollar building campaign. She guided development of the Barrett Cancer Center, the Critical Care Tower, the Medical Arts Building, parking garages and the upgrade of the Martin Luther King entrance.

Ms. Brown battled lupus for nine years, but the disease was mostly in remission. Her death shocked family and friends.

The evening Ms. Brown died, she and her husband had just "switched off kids" after their daughter's soccer practice, Mr. Woliver said. She and her daughter went shopping, had dinner and went home. Ms. Brown went to bed and awoke feeling ill. She collapsed, and her daughter called 911 just before Mr. Woliver and their son got home. "They never

revived her," Mr. Woliver said.

Mrs. Olman described Ms. Brown's accomplishments as "vast."

"Everyone liked her. Everyone respected her," she said.

Health Alliance President Jack Cook informed Alliance executives of Ms. Brown's death Thursday.

"Always energetic, even through a courageous health battle, Marie was an inspiration to many," Mr. Cook wrote.

Dr. Donald Harrison, the University of Cincinnati Medical Center's senior vice president and provost for health affairs, wrote that everyone who worked with Ms. Brown will miss "her knowledge, her passion for quality, her spirit, her jokes and yes, even her reindeer horns at Christmas."

Other survivors include her children, Katie and Michael.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. today and from 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the E.C. Nurre Funeral Home, Ohio 125, Amelia. Services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday at St. Columban Church, 894 Oakland Road, Loveland. Memorials may be made to a charity of choice.



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Radiation: Hearing questioned

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the subcommittee, convene the inquiry. Rep. Rob Portman, D-Cincinnati, who is not a subcommittee member, also will be one of the questioners.

Catherine Hager of the East End, daughter of John "Joseph" Mitchell — the first person *The Enquirer* linked to the experiments — was asked to prepare a five-minute statement. She does not know when she will be called to testify but will be at the hearing all day.

"I would like for them to come to some kind of settlement and stop dragging it out," Hager said. "I know it's been 29 years, but this has brought it back out again. It's all fresh." Mitchell became patient No. 051 and received 150 rad of whole-body radiation before he died on July 14, 1965.

After the experiments ended, Dr. Eugene Saenger and fellow UC researchers admitted that eight patients may have died from the radiation, critics say at least 20 could have lived longer with their cancers.

Saenger to testify

Some of the most nagging questions that Goodson and Hager have are reserved for Saenger, UC's lead researcher in the tests. Saenger, who has refused to comment as to whether the experiments have emerged in the past four months, will answer queries from the subcommittee, said his lawyer, Joseph Parker.

Although Congress already has had numerous radiation hearings

this year, today's will be the first exclusively devoted to UC researchers' work.

Saenger didn't talk early on because he needed to review old records, Parker said.

"He hasn't looked at this stuff since the early 1970s," Parker said. "We don't have the history of making measurements."

UC officials are saying little about what they expect.

"We know they are coming, and we will await the outcome," said Patricia Samson, UC Medical Center spokeswoman, University Hospital, successor to General Hospital, is part of the medical center.

Congress started to investigate the UC experiments 22 years ago. But the efforts of Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., faded after former Sen. Robert Taft Jr., R-Ohio, protested Kennedy's interference with a budding research institution in Tall's back yard.

Hearings never happened. Last December, Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary released a report in human-radiation experiments when the department is shed new light on the government's nuclear secrets.

The Clinton administration established a human-radiation working group that will speed the rest of the year reviewing Cold War testing. It will look into the possibility of paying the victims still living or their next of kin.

Possible compensation also is of interest to Congress.

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iments have spawned four class-action lawsuits in U.S. District Court.

Meanwhile, some see today's hearing as more of a political event for Mann, up for re-election this year, than a worthwhile examination of the radiation tests.

Playing politics?

"It is a media event, and even the media knows it is a media event," said Ohio state Sen. William Bowen, Mann's opponent in the May 3 Democratic primary.

UC officials never are done again. Bowen said he doesn't need a hearing to know that the tests were wrong, that victims' families deserve compensation and that steps should be taken so similar experiments never are done again.

"This is a David Mann political dog-and-pony show," he said.

Mann disagrees. "I didn't create this problem. It has been on the front page in Cincinnati virtually every day for three months," he said.

"If there was ever a case where a hearing should be held as a field hearing, this is it."

Yet others, too, wonder about the hearing's value, noting that congressional committees have had similar inquiries only to see the public quickly forget the issues.

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The subcommittee staff were very serious, they should have interviewed him and other sources

weeks ago, he said. He will testify in spite of his reservations.

"I hope it amounts to more than a simple reorganization of what we already know. I hope some new information comes out," said David Kimball, a policy specialist for the Washington-based Physicians for Social Responsibility.

While Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, will not be in Cincinnati, he will be interested in the hearing's results.

As chairman of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, Glenn has become a leading Senate questioner of all types of research on humans. He has had one hearing and said he plans to press for more information until he is convinced the government is no longer performing tests on people without their informed consent.

"I think we will be able to find out the truth about most of them," Glenn said.

What has happened should not be forgotten, he said.

History lessons

In her testimony, Martha Stephens, a UC English professor and principal author of a 1972 Junior Faculty Association report that condemned Saenger's research, hopes to point out how the healthcare system as well as the perceived threat of Communism helped create an atmosphere in which low-income patients could be exploited.

"If these people had had (national) health insurance in 1961, they wouldn't have had to go to that hospital," she said. General Hospital was Cincinnati's leading hospital for indigent care.

The Cold War and the conditions in those times should not lead us to think that these conditions are not around today.

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Radiation hearing personal for many

Disclosures stir painful memories

BY LINDA DONO REEVES
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Gwendon Plair will follow today's congressional hearings from Washington.

But unlike most people in the nation's capital, his interest in Cincinnati General Hospital's Cold War radiation experiments is intensely personal.

His mother, Beatrice Plair of Mount Auburn, was patient No. 044 in the whole- and partial-body radiation tests from 1960 to 1971. She is the 35th patient.

The Enquirer has linked to the experiments, at least 88 people were involved.

"I remember just begging for help because it hurt so bad," said Gwendon Plair, a psychiatric therapist at Georgetown Hospital.

"They didn't do anything... Instead of getting better, they made her worse."

The 53-year-old Beatrice Plair was a vivacious woman who, before her illness, said clothing door to door. On Sunday, her son described her as a determined woman who spoke her mind and fought for her life until the continuing care or treatments and her deteriorating body weakened her resolve.

Gwendon Plair, one of six children, said his mother was his best friend. At ages 16 and 17, he took her to the hospital because his father, a railroad worker, often was away from home.



Beatrice Plair

Plair said his mother never knew she was part of an experiment. She disliked the therapy and balked at returning his checkups.

"I'm feeling real tired. You know I tell you never to give up. But it's just draining me," she said to her son on her final days. "I want to stay with you guys, but I don't know how much more I can take."

Three days later, she died. "I really feel her spirit after 29 years pulling in," Gwendon Plair said Sunday. "Mom's doing her thing. Mom's getting it all out."

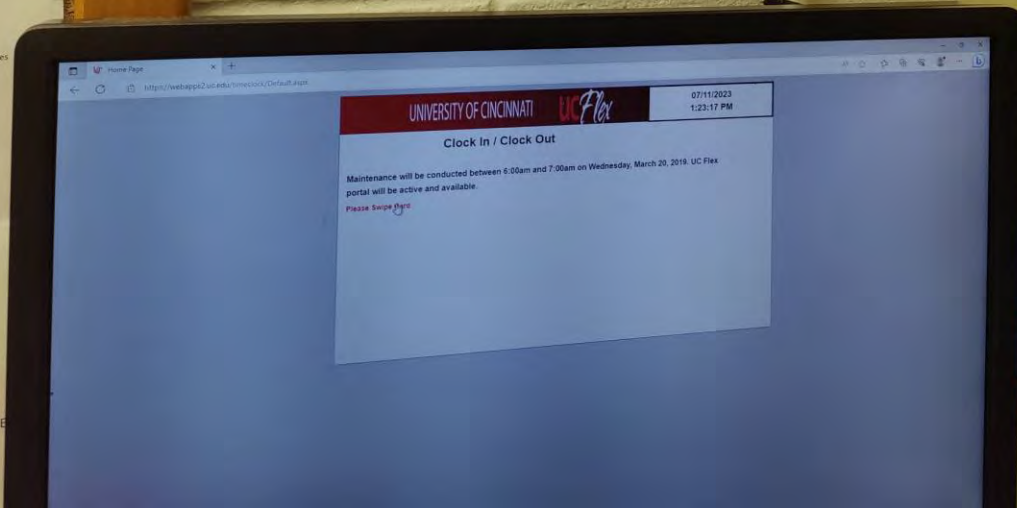
General Hospital radiation experiments: a chronology

- 1947:** Dr. Eugene Saenger founds radioisotope laboratory at General Hospital.
- Sept. 25, 1958:** Saenger applies for military financing for human radiation project, hopes to find simple urine test to determine radiation-exposure levels.
- 1959:** Saenger recruits James Kernakies, an Army physical who would become his co-researcher.
- Oct. 29, 1959:** Navy Capt. David Lambert, deputy staff chief for Weapons Effects and Tests, requests that Defense Atomic Support Agency negotiate a contract for the project. In the next 12 years, the Defense Department contributes \$651,000 for research.
- May 24, 1960:** J.W., a black man with cancer of the left testis, becomes first patient at General Hospital to receive whole-body radiation as part of the experiment.
- May 8, 1961:** Summary of research on University of Cincinnati College of Medicine letterhead stresses desirability of a reliable, easy test for radiation damage.
- 1964:** First bone-marrow transfusions attempted on participants in the radiation study.
- May 1, 1965:** Date of researchers' first consent form in the radiation experiments.
- 1966:** Researchers abandon the idea of amino-acid urine test to detect radiation exposure.
- March 13, 1967:** Dr. George Shields, member of a UC faculty medical ethics committee, recommends in a confidential memo to committee chairman that Saenger's work end.
- 1967:** Saenger becomes member of the
- Committee on Treatment of Acute Radiation Injury under Medically Austere Conditions, a 12-member group formed at the request of the Pentagon's Office of Civil Defense and the National Radiological Defense Laboratory in San Francisco.
- 1969:** Saenger seeks financing to continue human radiation experiments through 1973.
- 1971:** Saenger serves as chairman of a national conference in Oak Ridge, Tenn., titled *Radiation Effects on Biological Systems*.
- May 19, 1971:** N.M., a 52-year-old black woman with rectal cancer, is last patient to be irradiated.
- Mid-1971:** Stories in the *Village Voice* and *Washington Post* question the experiments at General Hospital.
- September, 1971:** For a cancer-research episode of *The Great American Dream Machine*, National Educational Television interviews a 72-year-old black woman who was a survivor of General Hospital radiation research; the interview never is aired.
- Oct. 8, 1971:** Staff of U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy's Labor and Public Welfare health subcommittee begins to look into the experiments, asking to interview the eight to 10 surviving patients at the time. The staff is denied access to the patients and the TV film.
- Oct. 10, 1971:** Final day that researchers calculate patients' survival times. UC suspended the research project pending the outcome of a medical school faculty-committee review.
- Jan. 3, 1972:** American College of Radiology supports continuation of Saenger's radiation
- research in a report to U.S. Sen. Mike Gravel, D-Alaska.
- Jan. 25, 1972:** The Junior Faculty Association, a group of non-tenured professors at the University of Cincinnati, releases a report critical of the experiments.
- Feb. 2, 1972:** Blue-ribbon panel that UC Medical School dean Clifford Grates appointed also issues a report. It praises patient care but says up to 19 patients may have died from radiation.
- April 13, 1972:** Military is eager to finance project through 1973 in spite of criticisms.
- April 21, 1972:** Project officially ends when UC President Warren Bennett decides not to accept more Pentagon money for radiation experiments; UC's contract would have expired April 30.
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