

Masonic Cancer Relief Committee of Minnesota  
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Plans for a million dollar hospital at University of Minnesota for care of patients of cancer who are considered beyond present techniques of cure were announced today - November 9 - by Dr. Donald J. Cowling, retired president of Carleton College, and chairman of the executive committee of Masonic Cancer Relief Committee of Minnesota.

Dr. Harold S. Diehl, dean of the Medical School at the University, said that the 50-bed hospital to be erected on the Minneapolis campus in the University hospitals group "is one of the most humanitarian enterprises that has ever come to my attention. Not only will countless patients with advanced cancer and other tragically serious illnesses receive the best of medical care in this institution, but in addition, the institution will make possible research studies concerning these illnesses, and also the instruction of medical students, nurses, and other health personnel in the better care of such patients."

The drive for funds for University of Minnesota Masonic Memorial Hospital for care of cancer patients is to be conducted by more than 68,000 Masons in Minnesota. Executive committee members are: Dr. Cowling; Associate Supreme Court Justice LeRoy E. Matson, St. Paul; Willard L. Hillyer, Winona, Grand Master, Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M.; Mrs. Kathleen Boardman, Winona, Worthy Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star; Dr. C. W. Del Plaine, Minneapolis; Dr. J. O. Christianson, Institute of Agriculture, U of M, St. Paul; Emmet R. Christesen, secretary, Scottish Rite bodies, St. Paul; and Fred M. Jelinsk, secretary, Scottish Rite bodies, Minneapolis.

Chairmen of committees engaged in the campaign are: Organization, Clyde E. Hegman, Cargill Incorporated; public relations, Bon D. Grussing, Minneapolis-Moline Co.; pattern gifts, Ernest L. Ulrich, Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.; all of Minneapolis; general gifts, O. L. Halvorsen, Halvorsen Decorating Co. St. Paul; general gifts-O. E. S., Robert C. Murray, Investors Diversified Services, White Bear.

Irving H. Robitshek, Robitshek Investment Co., Minneapolis, is treasurer, and Charles T. Helgeson, Sister Kenny Foundation, Minneapolis, is auditor of the Masonic Cancer Relief Committee of Minnesota.

State regional chairmen are: Duluth, Donald L. Barnes; Minneapolis, William L. McReavy; St. Paul, Dr. Harold C. Wittich; region 1, Walter R. Bollinger, St. Paul; region 2, John Ketola, Duluth; region 3, Dr. Henry A. Korda, Pelican Rapids; region 4, Julius W. Opheim, Rochester, and region 5, Dr. Howard Dressel, LeSueur.

The advisory council is composed of heads and deputies of all Masonic bodies in Minnesota.

Donations of cash, pledges, and memorials are to be transmitted by the Masonic Cancer Relief Committee to the University of Minnesota for the fund for the hospital for care of cancer patients. Primarily seeking donations from Masonic organizations, the drive will accept donations from all who are interested in the hospital for cancer patients. The hospital will be staffed and administered by the University Medical School.