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AGENDA

NEW MEMBERS

1. Fell's Institute of Temple Univ.
   -Army for budget
   -Sidney Brechner invited to attend
   -Next meeting

   -Sidney was invited but
   -Could not attend.

   -Next meeting
   -H. E. Crellin - Chief
   -County Department of Health.

REPORT - Proclamation, Voting and
   and results reporting an increase.

Vet. Virus Problems - Henry Simon
   Dept. of Vet. Science
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Syracuse - اللغة العربية
a program for numerical science
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Get as much as 500 new words
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my Arabic teachers -

England, what's dog, etc.
Country, matters, dog, etc.
Conference of farms
Midsummer Stone - Compilation

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Salaries at N.I.H.: 286,300 (First year group)

Foreign (Visiting) Fellows: 100 to 175

are there in other institutions than
N.I.H. Office of international
Research is N.I.H. for this

Eleanor Roosevelt operated by
Unim for international fellows.

Also to be activated is a

new program for WHO
esp. for young scientists.

MCCordle - will keep lab & study

Office for visiting scientists

Endicott - New child Institute

in thinking of setting up a

Marine Biology Institute

on Chesapeake Bay - Federally

financed. Will outside people

be interested?
Library Communications

Bill for support of Medical Lib is in better shape than earlier this yr.

Microfilming at the Nat. Library now being greatly accelerated for special scan of the recall literature. A Console for this will eventually be available for about $8000.

Roswell Park - Selection Dist of Information - What is the meaning of this proposal? - Any full to rewrite the motion.

Regional Cancer Center

1. Construction funds were contained in Res. Fac. Const. Act provides for non-Matching funds in Senate Bill but not in House.
2. Direct Cost. The limits removed on in-apps bill. Only requirement is that the Fed. Govt. not pay for total costs (up to 5% in total cost figure).

HR 5765 - 1966 app
bill for HEWS.

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Total

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Sincerely,

A single instrument of a Cost sharing grant may be used like a possibility for one to replace all present project & program grants and contracts.

An annual report as made by all workers in 8KL for
their individual projects and publications.
Also all other granting sources and what they fund is reported annually to Federal auditors. A scientific advisory Bd. also reviews all this on an annual basis.
April 23, 1965

Dear Lee:

In accordance with your suggestion, I am sending Mr. Joe Schwarting $150. I am deeply appreciative to you for your thoughtfulness and prompt action. The result is something that all of us will be proud to look at.

I am delighted with your comments about Ed Dempsey. That was a good meeting. There is no question about Ed's understanding and complete integrity.

At the ACID meeting I will look forward to the discussion which I regret we did not have in Washington.

Always with best wishes, I am -

Sincerely yours

Dr. R. Lee Clark
6723 Bertner Avenue
Houston 25, Texas
April 23, 1965

Dear Mr. Schwarting:

In accordance with the suggestion of Dr. Lee Clark, I am sending you this directly.

Please accept my appreciation for your artistry, and my gratitude for your willingness to work under such pressure.

I have long admired your creations in Lee Clark's Journal.

With all good wishes, I am -

Sincerely yours

Mr. Joe Schwarting
Medical Arts Publishing Foundation
1603 Oakdale
Houston, Texas
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<th>Frederick J. Stone, Ph.D.</th>
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$300.00

Thank you

Joseph F. Stolwitz
4612 Verone
Bellaire, Texas
November 7, 1965

ASSOCIATION OF CANCER INSTITUTE DIRECTORS

The regular fall meeting of the Association of Cancer Institute Directors was convened following dinner in the Rosewood Suites of the San Francisco Hilton Hotel at 8:30 p.m., November 7, 1965.

Present

Present were: Drs. Ausman, Breslow, Clark, Copeland, Curreri, Eibel, Hamp-hill, Hollaender, Horsfall, Lemon, Moore, Rusch, Simpson, Talbot, Wood, and Dr. Endicott presiding.

Absent

Absent were: Drs. Farber, Gallhorn, Jacobson, Shubik, Spratt, Warren and Weinhouse.

Others Present

Others present were: Drs. Raul Mercado and Joe Harkins (for Dr. Spratt); Dr. Eugene Knox (for Dr. Farber); and Miss Pauline Stephan.

Welcome

Dr. Endicott welcomed Drs. Raul Mercado and Joe Harkins, alternates from the Ellis Fischel Hospital; Drs. Anthony Curreri, Alexander Hollaender and Lester Breslow, who were attending their first meeting of the Association. He introduced Miss Pauline Stephan, his associate at the National Cancer Institute who will be assigned responsibility for maintaining closer liaison with the cancer institutes.

Legislation

The business meeting opened with a discussion of Public Law 89-239. Principal changes in the law from the bill passed by the Senate were described by Dr. Endicott as a change from the concept of regional medical complexes to regional cooperative programs, and a diminution of emphasis on a regional pyramidal organization.

New construction has been deleted so that the Act provides only for (1) planning, (2) conducting feasibility studies, (3) operating pilot studies. The appropriation made for the fiscal year 1966 is $25,000,000 in contrast with the $50,000,000 that was authorized by the Bill. At the time of this meeting there had been no announced steps to implement the legislation. It is anticipated that Dr. Shannon, Director of the National Institutes of Health, will appoint an Associate Director to head a special division to prepare for implementation of this law. The Act requires local cooperation before grants will be made. In the ensuing discussion the initial steps taken to establish regional committees and to define what constituted a region were presented by several members. Dr. Endicott informed the group that he and Miss Stephan would plan to visit most of the cancer institutes by the end of January in order to determine the relation of the new heart disease, cancer and stroke programs to existing cancer programs.

Support of Programs

Possible changes in the pattern of support of cancer institutes by the Public Health Service were discussed. The pilot study at Sloan-Kettering Institute is nearly completed and may be acted upon at the fall meeting of the National Advisory Cancer Council. The single instrument support proposed would consolidate all grants and contracts for the Institute except individual Fellowships. The possibility of setting up single instrument support for other institutions was discussed. The major problems in this, according to Dr. Endicott, are in relation to patient care and undergraduate medical education.
Dr. Endicott reviewed the allocation of funds in the National Cancer Institute appropriation for 1966, which totalled $162,000,000. Among the allocations for new programs to which special attention was called, were the following:

1. $1,600,000 for research units for ambulatory patients
2. $600,000 for Life Island Institutes
3. $800,000 for planning grants, which may be used for molecular biology programs related to cancer
4. $2,500,000 for new clinical training grants

The appropriation has been supplemented by $5,000,000 for preliminary steps in the heart disease, cancer and stroke field.

Dr. Endicott described a pattern for re-organization of the National Cancer Institute in which both intramural and contract chemotherapy would be the responsibility of Dr. Gordon Zubrod; intramural contract carcinogenesis and virology, Dr. Paul Kotin; other intramural programs, Dr. Eugene Van Scott; other extramural programs, Dr. Phillip Waalkes; Dr. Bayard Morrison III has been named Assistant Director of the National Cancer Institute, replacing Dr. Robert Weiger. Dr. J. R. Heller has returned to Bethesda and been named a special consultant for international affairs.

Dr. Wood told the group of his telephone conversation with Dr. Sidney Farber and of Dr. Farber's greetings to the members in San Francisco. It was moved by Dr. Wood that a telegram be sent to Dr. Farber in response to this message with best wishes for his quick recovery and return to activity as President of the Association. Motion was seconded and carried.

The principle of cost-sharing as included in the 1966 appropriations bill for Health, Education and Welfare has not yet been specifically defined and, therefore, no guidance could be offered to the Association on this matter.

Dr. Endicott reviewed the new program for clinical cancer training grants, which will replace the under-graduate training grants as of July 1, 1966. This year $2,500,000 was appropriated for these grants. It is expected that the figure will be increased to some $5,000,000 or $6,000,000 for 1967. Copies of the announcement of these grants had been distributed from Dr. Endicott's office in advance of the meeting. Responsibility for implementing this program has been assigned to Dr. Herman who can be contacted regarding applications.

At 11:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned until Monday morning.

On Monday at 9:00 a.m. the meeting was convened in the conference room of the Cancer Research Institute of the University of California Medical Center.

Dr. Wood presented an over-view of the Institute and displayed tables of organization showing the general size and complexity of the Institute. Following the general discussion of program, the members divided into three groups to be guided by staff members on a tour of the facilities of the Institute.

At 11:00 a.m. the Association re-convened in the Conference Room. Dr. Horstfall raised the question of Dr. Endicott as to how the "Centers" are to be made up under PL 89-239. Dr. Endicott indicated that the legislation was permissive and that they might include one, two or three categorical activities. He stated further that the term "related diseases" may also be interpreted broadly.
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<th>Personnel Policies</th>
<th>The group took up the question of comparisons of professional salaries and fringe benefits. Many instances were cited to support the view that well qualified physician-scientists are now being offered substantially higher salaries than the published maximums for universities and research institutions. After discussion, it was agreed that the Secretary-Treasurer should conduct a study of salaries, fringe benefits and policies on consultant fees among the member organizations. A steering committee is to be appointed by the President to work with the Secretary-Treasurer in this project so that a report can be made at the next meeting. Dr. Endicott offered the assistance of Miss Stephan in making this study.</th>
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<td>Libraries</td>
<td>Dr. Hemphill reported on the recent meeting of representatives of the cancer institutes with those of the National Library of Medicine. Conclusions of the conference were reviewed and certain new information related to the automatic reading of journals and improvements in storage of bibliographic material was presented. Dr. Endicott reviewed briefly the provisions of PL 89-291 (Medical Library Bill). He stated that there had as yet been no appropriation made to implement this bill.</td>
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<td>Adjournment</td>
<td>The meeting adjourned for lunch at the Madrone Room of Millberry Union at which time the group was joined by Dr. Dunphy, Acting Chancellor, and Dr. Reinhardt, Dean of the College of Medicine. After lunch the group re-convened in the conference room of Millberry Union.</td>
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<td>Epidemiological Studies</td>
<td>Dr. Breslow reviewed the extensive epidemiological studies related to cancer in humans and animals as conducted by the Epidemiological Laboratory of the Department of Public Health of the State of California. Following this very interesting presentation, members of the Association had many questions, which were answered by Dr. Breslow.</td>
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<td>Cancer Bulletin</td>
<td>Dr. Clark reviewed statistics on the circulation of the Cancer Bulletin and repeated his offer to have the members of the Association serve on the editorial Board and to participate in the preparation of signed articles for the Bulletin. Each Director was asked to communicate with Dr. Clark to suggest any changes he might like to see incorporated in the journal and to indicate if he thought that the circulation should be increased in this area.</td>
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<td>Scientific Exchanges</td>
<td>In response to a question about scientific and cultural exchanges with the U.S.S.R., Dr. Endicott reviewed the development of treaties bearing on the subject and the rather unsatisfactory state of previous exchange visits. He stated that in view of these matters he had personally discouraged the United States negotiators from committing the Cancer Institute to specific exchanges in any new treaty.</td>
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<td>International Cancer Agency</td>
<td>Dr. Endicott commented on the cooperative arrangements that had been set up in the earth sciences and in cancer chemotherapy between Japan and the United States under the Kennedy administration. He stated that committees on chemotherapy from the two counties had met but that there had been no progress. Exchanges may be revived if a new agreement is reached.</td>
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<td>Dr. Endicott next reviewed the matter of creation of a new international agency for research against cancer as proposed by General DeGaulle about two years ago. The U.S.S.R., the United Kingdom, West Germany, Italy, and the United States were asked to participate originally. There was agreement that the</td>
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new agency should be within the General Assembly of the World Health Organization. After many meetings and considerable deviation from the original plan, a committee representing the interested countries (except the U.S.S.R.) met in September to establish this international agency. It was agreed that the activities would initially be limited to epidemiology of cancer and that its headquarters would be in Lyon, France. Each country provided from $50,000 to $75,000 to create a working capital of $350,000. A scientific advisory committee was appointed and is now seeking a director for the program. Meanwhile, the addition of the U.S.S.R. and Australia has increased the available funds to more than $1,000,000 a year. The French Republic has donated temporary headquarters and will give land and buildings adjoining the university campus in Lyon. The agency will have its own board of governors and budget.

**Election of Officers**

Election of officers for 1966 was called for. Moved by Dr. Wood that the by-laws governing succession of officers be suspended for this election only and that the following officers be unanimously elected to succeed themselves for 1966:

- **Sidney Farber** President
- Kenneth Endicott Vice-president
- William L. Simpson Secretary-Treasurer

The motion was carried.

**Report of Secretary-Treasurer**

The Secretary-Treasurer was asked for a report on expenses and stated that the minor costs of the office of the secretary had been met by the Detroit Institute of Cancer Research. He was directed to record these costs for the future and to assess each member one share of the costs.

**Next Meeting**

Dr. Horsfall invited the Association to meet in New York at the Sloan-Kettering Institute for the regular spring meeting in 1966. A two-day meeting was proposed sometime between mid-April and the end of June. The Secretary was directed to work out a specific schedule with Dr. Horsfall after members have advised of the times they already have committed during this period.

**Reports to be Written**

In order to expedite the next meeting, it was suggested that certain pieces of information be prepared in writing and distributed in advance of the meeting. Specifically, Dr. Endicott agreed that much of his material could be handled in this manner. It was also suggested that each director write up a brief report on the aims and programs of his institute.

**Cancer Congress**

A discussion of the possibilities for support of travel to the International Cancer Congress in Tokyo in October 1966 closed the meeting.

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Simpson, M.D.  
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OFFICERS 1966

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Kenneth M. Endicott - Vice President
William L. Simpson - Secretary-Treasurer
CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE on President's Commission Report (retained by Mrs. Compton)

FOR PERTINENT INFORMATION DESCRIBED BELOW:

Letter X Memo Various Other Telegram

From Dr. Clark To ACID members

Date February--March 1965

regarding proposed House Bill 3140 and Senate Bill 596 to implement recommendations contained in President's Commission Report.
November 16, 1965

Dr. Sidney Farber
35 Binney Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02115

Dear Sidney:

I am writing you to let you know that you were very much missed at the ACID Meeting in San Francisco. We had a very interesting agenda and excellent discussion.

We were more than pleased to hear that your convalescence is rapid and that you will soon be abroad in the land. We hope one of your first visits will include The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute to see our progress. I am sure you will be hearing from Bill Simpson and others in the near future regarding the meeting in San Francisco.

With kindest regards, Mr. Chairman.

Sincerely yours,

Murray M. Copeland, M.D.
Associate Director (Education)

BCC: Dr. Clark
November 10, 1965

Dr. David A. Wood
Cancer Research Institute
University of California School of Medicine
Department of Pathology
San Francisco 22, California

Dear Dave:

You are to be congratulated on the good management and arrangements made for the recent meeting of the ACID group in San Francisco. It was a pleasure to see firsthand the many things you have accomplished since your unit was opened. I remember meeting with you when the building was in progress, and it was certainly stimulating to see what you have done in such a restrictive atmosphere.

It is my own feeling that the University of California has not realized what they have in you; you are a national figure in cancer control and could bring immeasurably more prestige and funds to the University if you had been allowed to develop an independent cancer institute. By "independent", I mean one that controls its staff and patients and does not have departmental interference or encroachment upon its autonomy by a medical school. Affiliation and cooperation are essential, but not restrictive control of any functions within an organized cancer institute.

If you recall, besides the pleasure of working with you and benefiting from your scientific excellence, this other phase of your qualifications was also a consideration when we discussed the possibility of your coming to this institution.

You are still young, and I hope the University will realize that with present legislation and your leadership they can build THE cancer institute on the Pacific Coast. If I can help in any way to attain this realization, I would feel it a privilege to do so.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M. D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

RLC:ph
November 3, 1965

Dr. Grant Taylor
The University of Texas
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at Houston
Texas Medical Center
Houston, Texas 77025

Dear Dr. Taylor:

Plans are apparently completed for my trip to San Francisco and return by Houston on November 9 and 10.

As you are probably aware, the program of the ACID group is difficult to predict regarding its termination. Hopefully, Dr. Clark will be at the meeting and, if he should be returning to Houston, I hope to travel with him. I hold an open ticket out of San Francisco for that purpose. With or without Lee I hope to see you sometime on November 9.

Dr. Tate Minckler of the M.D. Anderson staff called me recently and hoped to arrange a meeting with me when he found I was to be there. I suggested that he contact you in order to set up a time schedule and trust that this will be agreeable. I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you soon.

cc: Dr. R. Lee Clark, Jr.

Sincerely,

F. M. Hemphill
Scientific & Technical Information Officer
National Cancer Institute

P.S. Thanks for your warm letter of several weeks ago re. our associations during your term on the NCI Advisory Council. Murray called just now and we are all flying together SF to Houston.

Pat [illegible]
October 26, 1965

Dr. William L. Simpson
Scientific Director
Detroit Institute of Cancer Research
4811 John R. Street
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Bill:

If it is not too late to suggest items for the agenda for the coming ACID meeting, I would like to suggest that we discuss:

Medical literature retrieval

A publication for ACID

I have noted your comment, and concur, that much of our attention should be devoted to the regional medical programs recently authorized by Congress.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M. D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

cc: Dr. Murray M. Copeland

RmC: ph
October 8, 1965

Memorandum to: Members of the Association of Cancer Institute Directors

From: William L. Simpson, Secretary-Treasurer

Dear Lee,

Accompanying this note are provisional minutes of the meeting in Madison, Wisconsin in May.

As agreed on May 10, the next meeting of ACID has been scheduled for Sunday evening, November 7, and all day Monday, November 8, 1965, in San Francisco at the invitation of Dr. David Wood. Dr. Wood has made arrangements for us to stay at the Hilton Hotel, O'Farrell and Mason Streets, at a special university rate of $16.00 per night. This hotel was chosen in part because it is adjacent to the airline terminal (which is at O'Farrell and Taylor Streets).

Dr. Wood has reserved a room at the Hilton for cocktails and dinner on Sunday night with the cocktail hour beginning at 7 p.m. and dinner at 8 o'clock.

On Monday we shall meet at the Cancer Research Institute where the host institution will make a presentation of its activities. Luncheon Monday will be in the Milberry Union where we shall have a private room available for use during the regular business session Monday afternoon.

Inasmuch as the Heart, Cancer, and Stroke legislation has now been enacted into law, it appears that much of our attention should be devoted to a discussion of ways in which the cancer institutes can participate individually and severally in the programs authorized by that law.

There are undoubtedly other items you would like on the agenda. Will you please note that one of the enclosed postcards is to be completed and returned to me indicating your plans, and also items you would like on the agenda for this meeting.

Please complete the other card and send it promptly to Dave Wood so that he can confirm the tentative arrangements for hotel and meal reservations.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
ASSOCIATION OF CANCER INSTITUTE DIRECTORS

The Association of Cancer Institute Directors met at the Madison Inn as guests of the McArdle Memorial Laboratory of the University of Wisconsin on Sunday evening, May 9, 1965.

Present

Present were: Drs. Ansfield (McArdle Memorial Laboratory), Ausman, Mr. Edward Brown (New England Cancer Research Institute), Drs. George Brown (McArdle Memorial Laboratory), Clark, Copeland, Eliel, Endicott, Farber, Gelhorn, Hemphill, Horsfall, Lemon, Moore, Rusch, Silliphant (University of California), Simpson, Spratt, Talbot and Warren.

Cooperative Ventures

The Chairman noted that Drs. Moore and Ausman would be unable to remain for the meeting on Monday and asked them to report for the committees for which they were responsible.

Dr. Moore reviewed activities which have been undertaken as cooperative ventures among the several cancer institutes:

1. Assistance of the M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute in preparation of documentary films has previously been offered. Roswell Park has utilized this service to prepare a film on its activities.

2. Roswell Park is prepared to offer certain facilities and services, specifically:
   (a) A center for the frozen storage of human tumors
   (b) A new crystallography laboratory will be available in June
   (c) Large quantities of certain human tumor cells in culture can be provided, and
   (d) Certain viruses can be provided in quantity

3. Both the M. D. Anderson Hospital and Roswell Park Memorial Laboratory have extensive computer facilities, which may be available to other institutes for specific problems.

Bibliographic Services

Dr. Moore asked Dr. Ausman to comment on the use of the Roswell Park computer for the bibliographic portion of their CARES cancer record program. Dr. Ausman distributed sample cards of the type that can be printed out from their computer and distributed to scientists by mail. This is referred to as a program for selective dissemination of information (SDI). Abstracts to be distributed to an individual scientist would be selected on the basis of a profile of his interests. Dr. Ausman stated that the Roswell Park Institute was prepared to undertake this program on a trial basis for two years and to include the senior staff members of all the cancer institutes in the trial. Interest was expressed by many of the institute directors who favored the undertaking on a trial basis (A resolution to this effect was adopted the following day).

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned to Monday, May 10.

Meeting Re-convened

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9 o'clock Monday, May 10, in the Conference Room of the new building of the McArdle Memorial Laboratory.
All members who had been present the preceding evening attended except Drs. Moore, Ausman and Warren.

On a motion by Dr. Horsfall minutes of the meeting of November 8, 1964 were approved as distributed by the Secretary.

The Secretary presented information he had obtained on the Fels Institute. After some discussion it was moved by Dr. Talbot that Dr. Sidney Weinhouse be invited to attend the next meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Clark and carried.

Although the California Department of Health Cancer Research Unit has had no separate building, they are doing a great deal of epidemiological survey work, according to Dr. Silliphant. Dr. Endicott stated that the National Cancer Institute had awarded them a construction grant and that a building was nearing completion to be used as an epidemiology center. Dr. Lester Breslow heads the epidemiology program. Moved by Dr. Endicott to invite Dr. Breslow to attend the next meeting of ACID. Motion was seconded by Dr. Lemon and passed.

Dr. Clark and Dr. Copeland reported as the Committee on Common Nomenclature. Dr. Copeland reviewed the background for development of the TN & M system. He stated that the American Joint Committee had thus far prepared five reports on the TN & M system applied to specific types of cancer. In each case the Committee has run a field trial of the system with a minimum of 1,000 cases before publication. The Committee can pay residents who cooperate in the field trials from $2.50 a case for simple cases, up to $3.00 or even $5.00 for complicated cases. Others who wish to participate in the field trials should write to Dr. Copeland. Dr. Clark urged that all of the cancer institutes adopt the TN & M system of classification and that Cancer Coordinators be urged to include the system as a part of teaching in medical schools.

Dr. Lemon reported for the Committee on Veterinary Viral Problems stating that little had been accomplished through his contacts at the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Endicott indicated a major need of this program would be better information on the extent of viral diseases in animals. Active programs are under way at the present at Michigan State University, the California Department of Health and at the University of Pennsylvania. A significant program concerned with viral diseases of poultry has been in operation at the Eastern Regional Research Laboratory in East Lansing, Michigan. Dr. Horsfall reported on the striking incidence of leukemia in cattle in Denmark as noted at a recent conference in Copenhagen. Although no specific proposal was offered for ways in which ACID members could contribute to the problem, certain other bits of information were put on the table including:

1. Bovine leukemia occurs in every county in Minnesota according to Dr. Lemon.

2. Dr. Horsfall mentioned information obtained by Dr. Shope that leukemia and lymphoma have a very high incidence in stockyard workers.

3. Dr. Clark stated that there is an incidence up to 20 percent of cattle eye in ten-year-old Hereford cattle.
4. Dr. Endicott stated that the veterinarians at the University of Pennsylvania had purchased a herd of cattle in Virginia in which lymphoma occurred quite frequently and that by maintaining this herd until natural death of animals occurred, the incidence went up to 60 cases per hundred cattle.

5. Although a cause and effect relationship has not been established, there continue to be occasional reports of leukemia developing in the wake of a dog bite and claims that the saliva from dogs shows "particles" similar to the viruses of leukemia.

Exchange Visits
Various mechanisms for fostering exchange visits of scientific personnel were discussed by Dr. Copeland. Following a thorough discussion of problems associated with exchange visits and of temporary study leaves by scientific personnel, Dr. Endicott asked the group to consider possible interest in a suggestion that has been made that the National Cancer Institute (possibly in cooperation with the U.S. Navy) set up an all-weather marine biological station, which would be open to qualified scientists from any institution.

Administrative Personnel
Problems of finding personnel for administration of expanding scientific programs were discussed. Dr. Endicott mentioned a proposed program for training of such personnel, which will be activated within about a year. This would be open to scientists who have had several years of research and some publications. The training would include rotating assignments to the Office of Science and Technology at the White House, to Dr. Dempsey's office, the United States Public Health Service office and the National Institutes of Health office. Weekly seminars would be provided with case studies. It is anticipated that the Brookings Institution will provide faculty for the didactic studies and that the program may lead to a Master of Science in science administration in one of the major universities. At the present time some personnel may be available from the Grants Associates Program of the National Institutes of Health.

Medical Libraries
Dr. Hemphill reviewed the provisions of the bill before Congress to support medical libraries. After several proposals for improving scientific communication had been discussed, Dr. Hemphill reported that he had obtained favorable responses from several of the institute directors for participation in a centralized effort under sponsorship of the National Cancer Institute.

S.D.I.
The position of A.C.I.D. with respect to the information program for selective dissemination of information at Roswell Park was discussed again. It was generally agreed that ACID should not lobby for any grant support. It was moved by Dr. Eliel that the following resolution be adopted:
Resolved: That the Association of Cancer Institute Directors has indicated interest in the proposed study of cancer literature retrieval by computer means which has been undertaken at Roswell Park Memorial Institute and favors its continuation as an investigation on effectiveness and merit. The motion was seconded and accepted unanimously.

Legislation
Dr. Endicott reviewed provisions of pending legislation, which if passed will have significant effects on the programs of the National Institutes of Health in areas of construction of new facilities and in supporting research projects. Dr. Farber commented on pending Heart, Cancer, and Stroke legislation. He stated that the bills place responsibility for the program
under the National Institutes of Health and that except for the possibility of more liberal terms on construction grants, most of the activities in which cancer institutes can participate could be financed under authority already granted to the National Institutes of Health.

Single Grant Program
Drs. Horsfall and Endicott reviewed for the Association the procedures employed in setting up a single cost sharing grant to support the Sloan-Kettering Institute program.

Cancer Bulletin
After a luncheon adjournment, Dr. Clark reviewed the proposal he had previously made for changes in the Cancer Bulletin to use members of ACID as the editorial board and to change the journal so that it included signed articles. Individual members were asked to contact Dr. Clark to indicate their interest in this proposal.

Next Meeting
It was moved by Dr. Clark that the next meeting of the Association be held in San Francisco at the invitation of Dr. David Wood, which had been transmitted by Dr. Silliphant. This meeting will be scheduled for Sunday, November 7, and Monday, November 8, 1965.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m. so that members could tour the new laboratories of the McArdle Laboratory before departure.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Simpson, M.D.
Secretary-Treasurer
CROSS REFERENCE

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Letter  
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Date  8/65
July 13, 1965

The Honorable Robert D. Fleming
Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee
Pennsylvania State Legislature
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

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of an institution's staff with increasing excellence and scope of attainment. This three-way partnership has been highly successful in our own institution and has demonstrated the local interest that is necessary to obtain assistance from the national level.

I sincerely hope these comments will be of use to you.

Yours very truly,

R. Lee Clark, M.D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

cc: Dr. Timothy Talbot

RLC:ph

(original forwarded to Dr. Talbot for mailing)
July 13, 1965

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RLC:ph

(original forwarded to Dr. Talbot for mailing)
July 2, 1965

Dr. Murray Copeland
M. D. Anderson Hospital
Houston, Texas

Dear Murray:

I was quite impressed by the film that you developed concerning
the M. D. Anderson Hospital. Would it be possible to borrow a
copy for a short period to show our public relations people and
a group who have made films for us in the past?

I will be most appreciative if you can loan it to us for a
short while. We will of course take good care of it and return
it promptly.

Sincerely yours,

Leonard P. Eiel, M.D.
Vice-President - Director of Research

LPE:JH

7-9-65

Education - Miss Lamb:

In response to your request re clearance for such, Dr. Clark says
any of the ACID members may borrow, as he offered it to them.

He will appreciate loans being managed out of your place, with Med. Communic.

Thanks. mw

mw

with Educ 9/9
June 17, 1965

Dr. George E. Moore  
Director  
Roswell Park Memorial Institute  
Buffalo 3, New York  

Dear George:

I returned from a month in Europe to find your letter and your very gracious offer of cooperation in supplying cell lines. I am sending this information to our Research Committee, on which all departments are represented, and also to Doctors Shively and Frei. Doctor Frei is organizing a new department for us in Experimental Therapeutics and Clinical Pharmacology. We need a much better coordinated effort in this entire field, and I am sincerely hopeful that he will be able to accomplish it. Also he is functioning as Associate Director for Clinical Research.

I too am quite disappointed with the interpretation that the AMA has placed on the proposal of the President's Commission. This is not surprising, however, in view of the fact that the original bill was so poorly drawn and no consideration was given to the enlisting of aid of the general medical profession. I think if the bill had been carefully drawn and we had presented it to the AMA in advance, as Boisfeuillette Jones did with the Mental Health program, that we could have had a much better reception.

As a state institution, M. D. Anderson Hospital was created with the right to establish substations throughout the State. I am going to proceed on this plan very slowly and hope to lay the groundwork which will permit us to inaugurate a regional program similar to that outlined by the President's Commission. As a matter of fact, much of this concept was presented by our Committee on Cancer but was not very accurately interpreted in the final report of the Commission since Heart and Stroke were perhaps more vigorously represented in the persons of DeBakey and Dempsey. The real problem as I see it is to avoid placing the medical schools in a dominant position for funding and for control of the distribution of medical patients. This should never have
been given the prominent place it was accorded, and Doctor Farber and I both worked quite hard to prevent this. As you imply, however, the categorical institutes can suffer from this reaction if we are not very careful.

I agree with you that the people proposed for the ACID group do not meet the qualifications for our present requirements for membership and believe until future developments are evidenced we should not alter our standards. I think we might consider, however, Dr. Paul Grotzinger, Medical Director of The American Oncologic Hospital, as his institute meets the requirements and is contemplating expansion.

I too plan to spend the rest of the summer in the Houston and Texas environs as much as possible.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M. D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

RLC:sf
Dr. R. Lee Clark  
Director  
M. D. Anderson Hospital and  
Tumor Institute  
Texas Medical Center  
Houston 25, Texas  

Dear Lee:

I hope you have gotten further information concerning the impact of the proposed Regional Centers upon Houston and more specifically, the M. D. Anderson.  

I am becoming more and more apprehensive about the entire program and, therefore, have refused to indicate any enthusiasm about it until we learn more about the practical aspects of its administration. It is regretful that such an excellent idea has been subjected to considerable distortion.

In my opinion none of the people mentioned for membership in A.C.I.D. really qualified at the present time since their units are not autonomous nor are they complete cancer institutes in any sense of the word.

I thought the meeting in Wisconsin was an excellent one and it was a pleasure to see such a fine attendance.

We are now able to grow ten gram amounts of the human myeloid leukemic cells and if any of your scientists have a need for human leukemic cells, we would be pleased to try to culture them. In addition, we will be glad to send any cells that we are growing for their scientific use.
Under separate cover I am forwarding to you a cannister which I demonstrated at the A.C.I.D. meeting. If any of your internists would feel free to forward human leukemic blood samples to us for study, we would be greatly indebted to them. In exchange, we could provide either cultured cells or additional blood samples to them.

For many reasons I probably will not be away from the Institute this summer and, therefore, if any matters come up with which I can help, I would be pleased to do so.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

George E. Moore, M.D.
June 17, 1965

Dr. Timothy R. Talbot, Jr.
Director
The Institute for Cancer Research
7701 Burholme Avenue
Fox Chase
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19111

Dear Tim:

I returned from a month in Europe where I visited various cancer institutes in England, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, to find your letter.

I would be happy to support Dr. Paul Grotzinger for membership in the ACID group. I believe that he qualifies as representing an independent institution interested primarily in cancer, which with the expanded program contemplated should reach a significant stature. I would suggest that you propose his membership, with his credentials and those of his institution, to Doctor Farber and send a copy to Doctor Simpson. Most of the members proposed at the last meeting do not meet our criterion of being members of independent institutes, and I would doubt the advisability of taking them into regular membership. We might propose another category, such as observer or associate, for this type of representation. This, our course, would require discussion at our next meeting.

It is my feeling that the general principles outlined by the President's Commission Report on Heart Disease, Cancer and Stroke will eventually evolve, but probably not as the result of direct legislation. Certainly the legislation as proposed meets too many areas of opposition. It was not the intent of the Commission to propose the program spelled out in the proposed legislation. The AMA's distorted view of this can only be interpreted as clever propaganda. Most physicians do not have the time or background to evaluate the statements made by the AMA, which is obviously not dealing with the facts as presented in the Commission's Report. I hope that we will not let it affect our own local programs, however.
I look forward to an opportunity for an exchange of ideas and will see if there is some way we can arrange for it. Perhaps you, Ken Endicott, and I could have a session sometime between now and the fall.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M. D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

RLC: sf
Dr. R. Lee Clark, Director
M. D. Anderson Hospital and
Tumor Institute
Texas Medical Center
Houston 35, Texas

Dear Lee:

I have talked with Dr. Paul Grotzinger, Medical Director of The American Oncologic Hospital. He says that he would like very much to become a member of ACID. Is there anything that I should do about this now or must we wait for the next meeting?

It begins to look as if the legislation being discussed in Washington is having a greater effect on ACID's than anything else that has ever happened to them. I am even forced to conclude that this effect is one of diversification more than of unification. Maybe I am just being pessimistic, but it looks to me as if there are only about three institutes that are genuinely interested in the idea of establishing a cancer center. I am looking for ways of changing this institute's relationships with the other cancer institutes, but I really do not see how to proceed at the present time.

If you plan to be in this vicinity within the next few weeks, I wish you would let me know because I would rather like to sit down and chat with you for an hour or two in order to exchange ideas.

I enjoyed seeing you in Madison. Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Timothy R. Talbot, Jr.

May 18, 1965
May 11, 1965

Dr. George E. Moore, Director
Roswell Park Memorial Institute
Buffalo, New York 14203

Dear George:

I am sorry you had to leave the ACID meeting in such a hurry the other night. I may have sounded as if I were opposing your SDI proposal; what I was really trying to do was to get clarification of the specific aims. I felt certain the information as presented in such brief form to the group would lead to some misunderstanding. The next morning there was an attempt by two or three of our more conservative members to have the approval reversed and to simply leave it as an institutional plan without any specific backing from ACID. With further discussion and Doctor Farber's fine help the motion was made specifically on your proposal. Dr. Simpson will furnish you with that information.

I also wanted to talk with you about the program of computer storage and record retrieval of the total cancer literature. This is a prodigious undertaking, and we need all the good help and creative minds available to determine a method of making the medical information available by specific topics. Our institution has no interest in trying to abstract this total literature, and we are pleased that you are trying to work this out on a national basis. I think it is necessary for you and me to get together with our computer and literature representatives to decide the specific areas of cooperative work for which we would like each institution to be responsible. There is far too much to do for any one group to attempt it, and I believe that our two institutions are the most immediately interested. We now have an IBM 7094 with plenty of time for this project. However, our problem is going to be to get programmers with enough scientific background to enable them to proceed with a minimum of medical and scientific supervision.

A number of other things occurred at the meeting which need thoughtful reflection, and your opinion and support were missed in several instances. Some names of people were proposed as additions to the ACID group who constitute little more than heads of departments of oncology. I believe
our whole purpose will be lost if we continue to admit these people on a co-
equal basis with those of us who have responsibility for a broad oncology program.
I propose for your consideration the addition of these people as associate mem-
bers without vote, to attend meetings by invitation only. In this manner we can
help them obtain a broad perspective and gain support in general for the ACID
group. If at a subsequent time they develop a truly independent cancer program
they could become full members. Undoubtedly we will have more requests for
membership when the various facets of the President's Commission report on
cancer are implemented. This device, then, would take care of those interests
without reducing the effectiveness of the existing ACID organization. Some of
those mentioned for membership this time were Dr. Philippe Shubik of Chicago
Medical School, Dr. Sidney Winehouse of Fels Institute with Dr. Michael Shimp-
kin as alternate, and one or two others whose names I don't recall. None of
them would contribute much to our overall program unless their attitudes were
changed by contact with the ACID membership and philosophy.

It would appear that some portions of the President's Commission report will
be implemented as part of the regular budgets of the National Institutes of Health.
I personally would prefer that Bills S 596 and HR 3140 not be passed in their
present form; regardless of what we have heard to the contrary, they would
undoubtedly allow the total program to be administered under the medical schools
in the various regions of the United States. I have no information concerning
your statement that a half-dozen places have already been selected for the first
medical complexes. I am looking into it both from the standpoint of the local
Baylor group's request and through Washington sources of information. We
are not now a part of such a program, though I had thought I would write to
express our interest in becoming the center of a regional cancer program if
and when such is implemented. With the decision to place the administration
of this program in the National Institutes of Health I presume I should write
Ken Endicott about our interest.

The next meeting of ACID is proposed for San Francisco in November. I hope
you can be present and that we have a full meeting to enable us to firm up the
purpose and objectives of this group and our mutual support of them.

I am sorry I will not be able to attend your Scientific Advisory Board meeting.
I will not return from Europe until June 15, where I have commitments at a
National Cancer Week in Portugal and the International Thyroid Conference in
Rome—approximately six talks in all.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M. D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

bc: Dr. Copeland

RLC:ph
1. Will provide abstract and copy service to the senior staffs of ACID institutions up to 1500 subscribers and a reasonable number of copies.

2. Will maintain all records and statistics relative to the program.

3. Will establish and coordinate activities with liaison persons at all institutions.

4. Will provide for requested retrospective searches on a current basis.

5. Will monitor journal utilization records and supply summary information to all institute libraries.

6. Will conduct research with the system to improve its function and usefulness.

7. Will make available all finished computer programs for the system for the use of others.
### BUDGET - SDI

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**TOTAL**                                           |          | $93,812|
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DIRECTORS are reminded that the U.S. and most other granting agencies require the use of less than first class travel whenever possible. A statement indicating less than first class was not available is necessary when such travel is used.
R. Lee Clark, M.D.
M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute
Texas Medical Center
Houston 25, Texas

Dear Lee:

This will remind you of the meeting of the Association of Cancer Institute Directors to be held next month. Harold Rusch has made arrangements for us to meet at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 9 for cocktails and dinner at the Madison Inn, 601 Langdon Street in Madison (right in the heart of the campus). There will be an informal meeting following dinner.

On Monday, May 10, 1965 the group will gather on the 11th floor of the McArdle Laboratory for an all day meeting.

Will you please fill out both the postcards enclosed - one so that Dr. Rusch can make proper arrangements for the meeting - and one for me so that I may compile the agenda including items suggested by all the members.

As you will recall at the meeting in November, you were appointed to consider problems of developing common nomenclature and methods for staging cancer cases with a view toward having uniform records among the various institutes so that meaningful comparisons can be made. Dr. Farber has expressed the hope that you will have a report to make on this matter at the coming meeting.

Sincerely,

William L. Simpson, M.D.
Scientific Director

cc: Dr. Farber
Interoffice Memorandum

TO: Miss Marion Wall

FROM: Dr. Murray M. Copeland

DATE: April 14, 1965

SUBJECT: ACID - Nomenclature and Staging

Dear Miss Wall:

The attached fascicles and reprints may be of help to Dr. Clark in preparing a discussion on the problems of developing common nomenclature and methods for staging cancer cases for the ACID group.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Murray M. Copeland, M.D.
Associate Director (Education)

Encl. - Fascicles:

The TNM System (UICC)
Clinical Staging System for Cancer of the Breast (AJC)
Clinical Staging System for Cancer of the Larynx (AJC)
Reporting of Cancer Survival and End Results (AJC)
Clinical Staging System for Carcinoma of the Cervix (AJC)
Clinical Staging System for Carcinoma of the Corpus Uteri (AJC)

Reprints:

Committee on Cancer Staging and End Results Reporting--Origin, Objectives and Program
A Retrospective Field Trial for Comparison of Clinical Classifications of Carcinoma of the Cervix
Dr. Murray M. Copeland

Office of the Director

ACID - Nomenclature and Staging

Doctor Copeland:

At the November meeting of ACID, Doctor Clark was given the assignment of considering "problems of developing common nomenclature and methods for staging cancer cases with a view toward having uniform records among the various institutes so that meaningful comparisons can be made." Would you have any suggestions for him on this?

Marion Wall
Dr. Murray M. Copeland  

Office of the Director  

Information for ACID  

In reviewing the recent memorandum from Doctor Simpson dated January 25, and the minutes of the November 8-9, 1964 ACID meeting, Doctor Clark asked us to tell you that you and he should plan on presenting information to the ACID group at the next meeting. We are not clear what information he refers to, but presume it might be the material you are compiling for him to send Dr. Margaret H. Edwards (for the March NACC meeting) and the material Doctor Hemphill will be soliciting soon concerning meetings, conferences etc. These two items are numbered 2 and 3 in the Simpson memorandum.

It is noted in the minutes, also, however, that Doctor Clark is to consider problems of developing common nomenclature and methods for staging cancer cases with a view toward having uniform records among the various institutes. Possibly he refers also to this?

Sorry we do not have more information, but in his absence I thought I should at least convey his message in the hope it will be more meaningful to you.

Attached is a copy of a memorandum sent to Doctor Cumley today, also relating to ACID.

Additionally, at Mr. Kolvoord's request, we have given him a copy of that portion of the ACID minutes pertaining to the showing of the movie, "REPORT '64".

Marion Wall  
Executive Assistant
ASSOCIATION OF CANCER INSTITUTE DIRECTORS
Committees Appointed November 9, 1964

Administrative Manuals:
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Ausman

Veterinary Viral Problems:
Lemon - Chairman
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MEMORANDUM TO: Members of the Association of Cancer Institute Directors  
FROM: William L. Simpson, Secretary-Treasurer

With this letter I enclose minutes of the meeting in Bethesda November 8 and 9, 1964. At that meeting several committees were appointed in hope that progress could be made on a number of problems prior to the next meeting of the Association in May. I have listed these committees on a separate sheet and checked your name where it appears. By this time the Chairmen of some of the committees have already been active and I assume that others will be shortly.

For those of you who attended the dinner meeting on November 8, I enclose a separate sheet showing the expenses of the preprandial refreshments and dinner and an invitation for you to send me a check for your share of the expenses.

Several other matters call for comment at this time. I shall try to be brief:

1. In the middle of January Dr. Weiger asked if we could provide information on the needs of the institutes as a basis for developing budget requests for fiscal 1966. I provided him with the data received from individual members in response to the earlier requests by Drs. Farber and Clark for information for the President's Commission on Heart Disease, Cancer and Stroke. Dr. Weiger planned to discuss these data with each member to see if they needed updating, and presumably has done so by this time.

2. A letter dated January 7, 1965 from Margaret H. Edwards, M.D., Executive Secretary, Sub-committee on Diagnosis and Treatment, National Advisory Cancer Council, seeks information from the Association of Cancer Institute Directors to help the National Advisory Cancer Council assess the current status of postgraduate education for physicians relative to cancer. I have informed Dr. Edwards that the Association of Cancer Institute Directors has no information tabulated on the formal and informal courses offered by its members, but told her I would ask each of you to send her directly a list of activities in your institution that might qualify as "continuing education for physicians relative to cancer." These need not be listed as formal courses, but she would like some data relative to the programs, attendance, length, etc. This information is needed before the Council's next meeting in March. If you care to send me a carbon copy of your list, I shall try to have them tabulated by the time of our May meeting.

3. I have discussed by phone Dr. Fay Hemphill's proposal to solicit information from you on meetings, conferences, etc. planned by the Association of Cancer Institute Directors members. You may expect to receive an inquiry from him directly within the next couple of weeks.

4. Dr. Endicott has forwarded a copy of a letter from Dr. Michael B. Shimkin, Chief of Cancer Biology and Professor of Medicine at Fels Research Institute, Temple University School of Medicine, in which Dr. Shimkin inquires if it would be appropriate to invite Dr. Sidney Weinhouse to join A.C.I.D. I mention
this at this time so that anyone who has an opportunity to provide information on
the suitability of this group for membership in A.C.I.D. can do so at the next
meeting. Meanwhile, I will make inquiries to see if I can provide information on
the organizational pattern of the Fels Institute by the time of that meeting.

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ASSOCIATION OF CANCER INSTITUTE DIRECTORS

The regular meeting of the Association of Cancer Institute Directors was held in the Assembly Room of the Governor's House Motor Motel in Bethesda on Sunday, November 8, 1964. The following members and alternates were present:

Members Present

Drs. Ausman, Clark, Copeland, Eliel, Endicott, Farber, Horsfall, Moore, Rusch, Simpson, Spratt, Talbot and Wood.

Others Present

Others present: Drs. Baker, Bryan, Hemphill, Waalkes; Mr. Learmouth.

Following dinner, the meeting was opened by the President, Dr. Farber, at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes Approved

It was moved by Dr. Wood, seconded and passed, that the minutes of the meeting of April 27 and 28, 1964 be approved as distributed by the Secretary.

Members Honored

The Chairman commented on recognition that has come to several members of the Association since the last meeting, including the Bronfman Award to Dr. Moore, the Gold Medal of the American Cancer Society awarded to Dr. Clark, the election of Dr. Copeland to the Presidency of the American Cancer Society, appointment of Dr. Waalkes to Directorship of the Cancer Chemotherapy National Service Center; to this Dr. Endicott reminded the Association that Dr. Farber had received a very distinguished honor in the Variety Club Award.

Invitees Unable to Attend

At the request of the Chairman, the Secretary reviewed comments received from others who were unable to attend this meeting. This indicated that Dr. Leon Jacobson of the Argonne Cancer Research Hospital, and Dr. Alfred Gelhorn of Columbia University Institute for Cancer Research, were both interested in future participation in the Association.

N.C.I.

Dr. Endicott reviewed the state of the National Cancer Institute program both as to fiscal matters and changes in program. Although the appropriation for the National Cancer Institute has been cut from $145,000,000 to $140,000,000 for fiscal 1965, an extra appropriation of $10,000,000 has been made to speed up the attack on leukemia. It had been estimated that there might be several million dollars worth of grants that would be recommended but not paid, but it now appears that there may not be too much slack as some savings are expected as a result of new grant procedures and it is hoped that some funds in the Training and Fellowship area might be transferred to support grants.

Commenting on the reactions of the Congress, Dr. Endicott stated that questions had been asked if there were not too much emphasis on cancer at the expense of fundamental research related to the disease. He anticipated that more emphasis might be expected on cellular biology and possibly even on the establishment of cell biology institutes by the spring of 1965. Five million dollars has been added to the program for general research support grants and it may be possible that some in addition to the formula can be negotiated.

The National Cancer Institute does not plan to expand its program of research career awards for fiscal 1965 or following years, but will continue the research career development awards.
Changes in Legislation

Two important changes in legislation should enable the National Institutes of Health to recruit and retain highly qualified personnel. First was an increase in the ceiling on professional salaries. Second is the dual compensation act which permits commissioned officers to have retirement pay at the same time as they receive pay as civilians. It is anticipated that this act will help retain competent persons at the Ph.D. level especially who now receive substantially lower pay than persons holding an M.D. or D.D.S. degree.

New Building for N.C.I.

Although authorized since 1960, there is no definite progress yet on construction of a new building for the National Cancer Institute. It may be possible that ground will be broken during 1965.

Report on Leukemia Virus Research

Dr. Endicott reported most interesting progress in the leukemia virus program. Based on reports of replication of human leukemia virus "in vitro", the $10,000,000 special appropriation was made to the N.C.I. This included authority to construct special facilities without matching local funds. Development of this program is being planned by a group headed by Drs. Rauscher and Carrisse. Five steps of the broad proposal concerning viruses were outlined:

1. Isolation and cultivation from humans
2. Similar efforts with domestic animals with which humans are in frequent contact, such as dogs, cows, etc.
3. Efforts to develop chemotherapeutic agents to control viruses
4. Development of facilities for containment of viruses and dangerous chemical carcinogenic agents
5. Establishment of a series of small working groups for virus studies.

In discussing the last of these items, Dr. Endicott suggested the possibility of developing new relationships to cancer institutes if funds and authority could be provided through enabling legislation. Were this possible, the National Cancer Institute might be able to construct facilities for cancer institutes without matching funds and negotiate long-term commitments for the planned development of the virus research program. He indicated that it would probably not be possible to recruit, house and maintain all of the talent necessary for an expanded virus program in the National Cancer Institute itself.

New Types of Support

Dr. Endicott had indicated that there had been little further progress in development of package-type support for research institutes. Presently a new arrangement in the form of a single contract for all research supported (but not for training) is being explored with one department of oncology, which is the equivalent of an institute within a university.

Among other developments, Dr. Endicott cited the trend toward use of more administrative experts to manage grants as a way of reducing the burdens on scientists.

P.H.S. Audits

Dr. Talbot reviewed in some detail the experiences at the Institute for Cancer Research in Philadelphia with auditors from the Public Health Service. He stated that four auditors had spent 59 days and then following an interval,
three more auditors had spent eight weeks conducting a total management audit of the Institute. Dr. Talbot expressed his concern first that they had never received at the Institute any indication of the reasons for this audit, nor a statement as to who had authorized it and what authority existed for the audit. He hoped that the Association of Cancer Institute Directors would take a position to defend scientific accomplishments and honest accounting and make its protest against such audits as experienced by the Institute for Cancer Research as prejudicial to the highly acceptable program of grant reviews and audits as they have existed in the past. A lengthy discussion followed on the reasons for the intensive reviews of both administrative and fiscal management within institutions. It was generally agreed that some of these problems are inevitable accompaniments of the transition to a time when greater autonomy in grants management can be given to individual research institutions.

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<td>Dr. Moore told the members that they were able to grow myeloid leukemia cells with virus in them and states that they needed materials in the form of leukemia cells for assay of the media. He asked the Association of Cancer Institute Directors members to cooperate in providing such material.</td>
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<td>Drs. Moore and Endicott both commented on the tissue collection which is stored at Roswell Park, indicating that storage facilities were available for use by any member of the Association. Dr. Endicott commented that the inventory of this tissue collection is maintained by constant computer contact between Buffalo and Bethesda and that needs of inventories for specific tissues have been made better than 95 percent of the time.</td>
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<td>The Chairman introduced Mr. Scott Adams, Deputy Director of the National Library of Medicine. Mr. Adams reviewed briefly the history of the National Library of Medicine from the time it had taken over the library of the Surgeon General of the Army to the present. Of especial interest to the</td>
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ACID was the description of the medical literature analysis and retrieval system, also known as MEDLARS. This system involves the recording of key words from the titles and abstracts of papers published in 2,400 journals. These have been screened from a total of 7,000 journals that publish new material. The words introduced into the system are limited to those published as Medical Subject Headings, again with a shorthand designation of MESH. The MESH list has been revised four times with the newest revision to become available in book form in January 1965. MEDLARS was described as having three principal uses at the present time. First, through the use of a new and highly sophisticated graphic arts composing equipment (GRACE) the system now composes and prints the Index Medicus on a monthly basis. A second role is that of producing recurring bibliographies at any intervals desired and covering any topics desired by investigators. So far in 1965 approximately 400 sophisticated questions have been answered. ACID members and their associates were invited to use this service with the understanding that the National Library of Medicine must have a critical feedback from the individual who asks questions on the pertinence of the data retrieved. Test literature searches are to be submitted on standard inter-library loan forms and addressed to the Chief of Bibliographic Services, Dr. Leonard Karel. Mr. Adams stated that MEDLAR tapes will be decentralised beginning in 1965. The first outlying facility will be at the University of California; during 1966 up to seven scattered centers for MEDLARS will be established.

In concluding his remarks, Mr. Adams suggested two problems where he felt cooperation between the cancer institutes and the National Library of Medicine would be useful. First he suggested that ACID identify fields of major importance so that they could be included in the MESH list and thus make possible the most meaningful use of the MEDLAR system. The second problem is that of establishing some kind of information network between the National Library of Medicine and the cancer institutes.

The Chairman asked Drs. Clark, Moore and Lemon to serve as a Nominating Committee for Officers for 1965 with their report due in the afternoon.

After a coffee break, the Association viewed a film on the M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute. Dr. Clark stated that they were able to produce such films at approximately one-half the cost of commercial films. He states that the producer, Mr. Robert Kolvoord, would be made available to work with other institutes if they desired to prepare films concerning their activities.

A discussion of the relationship between cancer institutes and universities took place. The principal conclusion was that affiliations were generally more effective when they existed with the university as a whole or with the graduate school of a university rather than with the medical school.

Dr. Farber reviewed the work of the President's Commission on Heart Disease, Cancer and Stroke and advised that the report was to be submitted to the President during the first two weeks of December. Although no details of the report could be discussed, some of the problems encountered during the
Training

Problems of training physicians and graduate students concerned many members of the group. There appeared to be general agreement that cancer centers along with other categorical centers may be expected to participate less in the training of physicians in medical specialties as time goes on but that they may have increased opportunities for training of graduate students and post-doctoral Fellows, especially if they strengthen their ties with the graduate schools of universities. The possibility was advanced that ACID might develop programs for the exchange of professorships among institutions by working through the affiliated universities. Such exchanges might be of benefit if as short as two weeks, but it was generally agreed that six to nine months would be a much preferable duration.

Center Needs

Dr. Simpson reviewed briefly the data collected from cancer institutes for submission to the President's Commission on needs of the cancer centers. The Chairman asked those directors who had not submitted replies to the secretary's questionnaire to do so as soon as possible. The secretary agreed to add such data to those already collected and to circulate copies of a final report to the ACID members.

Administrative Manuals

Recognizing the increasing importance that is now being placed on administrative matters by auditors and representatives of the Grants Management Branch of the Public Health Service, Dr. Farber suggested that Drs. Ausman and Simpson be appointed a sub-committee to collect information on administrative manuals for distribution to all the cancer institute directors.

Exchange of Information

Following a lunch break, the Association resumed its business in the Conference Room. On a motion by Dr. Moore, which was seconded and carried, a committee was appointed to develop plans to facilitate the exchange of scientific techniques, specialty skills and materials for research among the institutes. The Chairman asked Dr. Moore to chair that committee and to invite Robert Stevenson and Joseph Leiter of the National Cancer Institute to cooperate with him in this activity.

Committees Appointed

The following additional committees were established:

Dr. Clark is to consider problems of developing common nomenclature and methods for staging cancer cases with a view toward having uniform records among the various institutes so that meaningful comparisons can be made.

Possibilities for the exchange of personnel among institutes so as to improve the educational opportunities afforded graduate and post-doctoral students was assigned to Dr. Copeland.

A committee on veterinary viral problems is to be headed by Dr. Lemon. He is to call upon Drs. Stevenson and Leiter for cooperation at the National Cancer Institute.

Problems of improving library communications among institutes was assigned to Drs. Hemphill, Clark and Ausman, the first being named chairman.

Cancer Bulletin

Dr. Clark presented a proposal by which the Association of Cancer Institute Directors would take over the Cancer Bulletin as its own journal. It was
suggested that the policies of the journal be modified so that it use only signed articles and that the members of ACID would be placed on the editorial board. There were many expressions of interest in this proposal by members of ACID but definitive action was not taken at this time.

Abstracts

Drs. Ausman and Moore presented a proposal for establishment of a service for distribution of abstracts of current articles specifically of interest to scientists and physicians in cancer research institutes.

Next Meeting

The Committee considered a meeting schedule and agreed to accept the invitation of Dr. Rusch to meet at the McArdle Laboratory on May 9 and 10, 1965.

New Members

Other members for ACID were considered. Dr. Rusch nominated Dr. A. R. Curreri. Motion was seconded by Dr. Lamon and carried unanimously. Dr. Endicott suggested that Dr. Philippe Shubik of the Chicago Medical School and Dr. Alexander Hollaender of the Oak Ridge Laboratory be invited as guests to the next meeting.

Communications

Dr. Hemphill distributed a memorandum to ACID members on scientific and technical information communications in relation to the cancer institutes. Limitations of time precluded a discussion of this memorandum.

Election of Officers

The Nominating Committee report was given by Dr. Clark who moved on behalf of the Committee that the incumbent officers be elected to succeed themselves for an additional term of one year each. The motion was seconded by Dr. Rusch and carried. Dr. Sidney Farber will serve as President; Dr. Kenneth Endicott as Vice-president; and Dr. William Simpson as Secretary-Treasurer for 1965.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3 p.m., following which many members went to the National Library of Medicine for a film on the MEDLARS and a first-hand inspection of the facilities of the library.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Simpson, M.D.
Secretary-Treasurer
May 11, 1965

Dr. George E. Moore, Director
Roswell Park Memorial Institute
Buffalo, New York 14203

Dear George:

I am sorry you had to leave the ACID meeting in such a hurry the other night. I may have sounded as if I were opposing your SDI proposal; what I was really trying to do was to get clarification of the specific aims. I felt certain the information as presented in such brief form to the group would lead to some misunderstanding. The next morning there was an attempt by two or three of our more conservative members to have the approval reversed and to simply leave it as an institutional plan without any specific backing from ACID. With further discussion and Doctor Farber's fine help the motion was made specifically on your proposal. Dr. Simpson will furnish you with that information.

I also wanted to talk with you about the program of computer storage and record retrieval of the total cancer literature. This is a prodigious undertaking, and we need all the good help and creative minds available to determine a method of making the medical information available by specific topics. Our institution has no interest in trying to abstract this total literature, and we are pleased that you are trying to work this out on a national basis. I think it is necessary for you and me to get together with our computer and literature representatives to decide the specific areas of cooperative work for which we would like each institution to be responsible. There is far too much to do for any one group to attempt it, and I believe that our two institutions are the most immediately interested. We now have an IBM 7094 with plenty of time for this project. However, our problem is going to be to get programmers with enough scientific background to enable them to proceed with a minimum of medical and scientific supervision.

A number of other things occurred at the meeting which need thoughtful reflection, and your opinion and support were missed in several instances. Some names of people were proposed as additions to the ACID group who constitute little more than heads of departments of oncology. I believe
I am sorry I will not be able to attend your Scientific Advisory Board meeting. I will not return from Europe until June 15, where I have commitments at a National Cancer Week in Portugal and the International Thyroid Conference in Rome—approximately six talks in all.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M. D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

Dr. Copeland

bc: Dr. Copeland

RLC:ph
April 9, 1965

Dr. Sidney Farber, Director of Research
Children's Cancer Research Foundation
35 Binney Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Sidney:

I certainly enjoyed participating in the dinner honoring Fred Stone. It was a very nice gesture and most deserved. I would like to propose that we pay Mr. Joe Schwarting one-half of his fee of $300. In other words, we would like to supply the other $150. I would suggest you make out your check to him directly. His address is Medical Arts Publishing Foundation, 1603 Oakdale, Houston, Texas.

I think that our discussions with Ed Dempsey were very worthwhile. My faith in his support is restored. I still feel that we must do what we can, without interfering with the passage of the bill, to get the three points across that I have previously discussed. I will change my approach in hopes that we may get some positive action this year.

I am sorry I had to leave so early the next morning that I did not get an opportunity to discuss two or three items pertaining to the ACID group. Perhaps we can have some conversation about this in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

R. Lee Clark, M.D.

P.S. I added $150 to Mr. Farber's check for $300. I mailed check to Mr. Farber at Medical Arts Publishing box, per Dr. Clark's request.
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R. Lee Clark, M.D.
Director
MEMORANDUM

TO : Members of the Association of Cancer Institute Directors

SUBJECT : House Bill 3140 and Senate Bill 596

With reference to my memorandum of March 1 on the above subject, there will be discussions between the National Advisory Cancer Council and various officials in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare at the National Advisory Cancer Council meeting next week. It therefore appears that the suggested meeting of the ACID group in March to consider the matter would be premature at this time. Perhaps our regular meeting in May will be soon enough for us to discuss it. Doctor Farber concurs in this, and either he or I will advise you regarding any further developments of interest in the meantime.

R. Lee Clark, M.D.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief

RLC: sf
Dr. Russell W. Cumley

Office of the Director

Information for ACID

February 4, 1965

Per conversation with Miss McCay today, there is attached an excerpt from the minutes of the November 8-9, 1964 meeting of ACID, regarding the CANCER BULLETIN.

In reviewing the ACID minutes, Doctor Clark asked us to tell you that he is awaiting the "document" in the very near future. According to Miss McCay, this apparently refers to a presentation you are doing regarding the CANCER BULLETIN.

Miss McCay also advises us that you and she are working on another ACID project -- that of library communications and information retrieval, etc. and that you plan to confer with Doctor Hemphill about this.

Marion Wall
Executive Assistant

cc: Dr. Murray M. Copeland
date Feb. 2, 1965

from: The Office of the Director

to: Mr. Robert Kolvoord

As requested by telephone yesterday, I am attaching for your information an excerpt of the ACID Minutes pertaining to the showing of our film.

Phyllis Hughes
Administrative Secty.
EXCERPT

Minutes of Association of Cancer Institute Directors Meeting Nov. 8-9, 1964

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Dr. Murray M. Copeland

Office of the Director

ACID Affairs

Murray:

Please note the attached letter from Doctor Hemphill, which you and I should discuss.

In the meantime, I would appreciate your office taking on the reporting of meetings, conferences, etc. as requested.

I have sent Doctor Hemphill programs for the Annual Symposium (1965) and Biomathematics Symposium (1965) in the meantime, since I had promised to do so.

R. Lee Clark, M. D.
Director

Encl.

Cy. ltr. Dr. F. M. Hemphill
2-8-65 re. various ACID matters
and cy. ltr. Dr. F. M. Hemphill, also 2-8-65, re. circulating into within ACID on conferences, etc. with form attached.
Dr. R. Lee Clark, Jr.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief
The University of Texas
M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute
Houston 25, Texas

February 8, 1965

Dear Dr. Clark:

This will review items which we discussed while you were in Bethesda on February 2 and 3. We missed you on the Thursday meetings, but hope that your work in Texas was successful.

The enclosed letter resulted from conferences with Dr. Simpson. While talking with Bill, he told me of Dr. David Wood’s interest in serving on the subcommittee of AGID entitled “Common Nomenclature and Staging” of which you are listed as Chairman. Also, Dr. Wood wishes to contribute to Dr. Copeland’s subcommittee entitled “Exchanges of Personnel in Training and Teaching Programs”. Please refer Dr. Wood’s request to Dr. Copeland.

Regarding the subcommittee on “Libraries and Dissemination of Scientific Information” of which Dr. Simpson has labeled me as Chairman—perhaps in error—he has given me two stalwart members in Dr. Ausman and you. Of interest on the topic are the identical bills in Congress—H.R. 3142—Harris (Ark.) and S. 597—Hilli (Ala.). Other bills in Congress also have potential impacts on the medical library situation. Dr. Ausman is planning to submit an application for support on activity in connection with the selective dissemination of information among cancer scientists and I am looking forward to the visit of Dr. Cumpley regarding information from literature of primary interest to clinicians. Dr. Ausman has not heard from Dr. Cumpley.

Your reaction to review of the postponed trip of AGID members to Russia has been noted. Dr. Endicott says that he would view plans for a group visit by AGID as inappropriate at present, but that our office would assist in any way in arrangements for individual AGID members to make the trip.
The meetings scheduled at your Institute in March and the one in April on computer sciences are both of interest.

Your suggestions regarding these and other items of communications will be appreciated.

Enclosure

Sincerely,

[Signature]

P. M. Kempfill
Scientific & Technical Information Officer
National Cancer Institute

cc: Dr. William Simpson
February 8, 1965

Dr. R. Lee Clark, Jr.
Director and Surgeon-in-Chief
The University of Texas
M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute
Houston 25, Texas

Dear Dr. Clark:

Communications with Dr. William L. Simpson, Secretary-Treasurer of the Association of Cancer Institute Directors, resulted in his request that our office circulate this letter and the accompanying forms to the membership.

At the November 1964 meeting of ACID, discussion was held of several communication approaches which the group thought would prove beneficial. Among these topics was that of circulating within ACID information on the conferences, colloquies and symposia which were planned by the constituent institutes. This letter to all ACID members is for the purpose of collecting information on any such meetings scheduled for 1965 which each member wishes disseminated to all other ACID members.

An outlined form for such information on each conference, colloquy and symposium is attached. Please feel free to add other items which you believe important or which would enrich the presentation.

Those replies to this inquiry received in this office by February 25, 1965 will be listed and circulated to all ACID members. This office will plan to update the information at regular intervals, say each two months, if ACID members desire.

Suggestions regarding this procedure will be appreciated. Perhaps important items have been omitted from the reporting form or some of those contained may be inappropriate or need revision. If there is someone other than yourself in your office to whom you wish future inquiries directed, please advise us. Hopefully, we may be able to discuss this and related matters of communications during the ACID meeting at the McArdle Memorial Laboratory on May 9 and 10.

Enclosure

Sincerely,

F. M. Hemphill
Scientific & Technical Information Officer
National Cancer Institute
Suggested Items for Reporting Plans of Conferences, Colloquiums and Symposia to ACID

1. Meeting Place ___________________________________________________________

2. Dates __________________________________________________________________

3. Subject or Topic(s) _____________________________________________________

4. Speakers: Local ___ Regional ___ National ___ International _________

5. Attendance Expected: Local ___ Regional ___ National ___ International ___

6. Is there expected to be publication of the papers or procedures?
   Yes ________ No ________ Maybe ________

7. Will the proceedings be audio-taped? Yes _____ No ____ Maybe ________

8. Is the meeting sponsored by or participated in by other agencies?
   Yes ________ No ________

   If "yes", financially,
   planning,
   supplying speakers,
   Other type of sponsorship,
   Yes ________ No ________ Yes ________ No ________ Yes ________ No ________

   If "yes", please specify __________________________________________________

9. Other Information of Interest: ___________________________________________

   __________________________________________________

10. Reported by: ___________________________ Date: ________________________
    (Name of ACID Member & Institute (Mo. & Yr.)

Please use a separate form for each conference, symposia, etc.

Return completed forms to: Dr. F. H. Hemphill
                        National Cancer Institute
                        Bldg 31, Room 10851
                        Bethesda, Maryland 20014