

Aspirin-Allergy Test Advanced at Wayne U

The most widely used drug in the world, aspirin, causes allergic reaction in one to five per cent of its users, research at Wayne State University's School of Medicine has shown.

In some instances, a small dose of aspirin has been known to cause death.

"Although the percentage of allergic reactions is small," says Dr. Lawrence M. Weiner, chairman of the microbiology department, "the large number of individuals, taking the drug makes the total hazard a considerable one."

A RESEARCH team at Wayne, composed of Dr. Weiner and Dr. Homer A. Howes, has recently devised a test which indicates allergy to aspirin. The test is one which detects specific antibodies in the blood serum. To date, in the research, all individuals with these antibodies have been proved allergic to aspirin.

"The reliability of the test is indicated by the fact that when more than 100 nonallergic users were tested, not one was found to have the telltale antibodies in his blood serum," Dr. Weiner says.

UP TO THE present, the physician has had no method at his disposal for testing allergy to aspirin. It is hoped that the Wayne-devised test will soon be available.

The investigators are currently refining the test procedure to increase its sensitivity while continuing their studies of the reasons for aspirin allergy.

"One of the difficulties to date



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has been that the test in its present form does not detect 100 per cent of the aspirin-allergic individuals," says Dr. Weiner. "It has proved successful, however, in detecting those who are most sensitive to the drug."

Common reaction in those allergic to aspirin are hives, sneezing, bronchial asthma and nasal polyps.

Librarian Appointed At Oakland's Kresge

Appointment of a new librarian for Oakland University's Kresge Library was approved by the Michigan State University Board of Trustees Thursday Sept. 17.

Floyd M. Cammack, 31, assistant librarian at the University of Hawaii, will join the Oakland staff this month. He will succeed David Wilder, who announced his resignation this summer to direct the establishment of a university library in Baghdad, Iraq. Wilder served as

OU librarian since 1959. The new librarian has bachelor's degrees from the University of Kentucky and Oxford University, master's degrees from Columbia and Oxford, and his doctorate from Cornell.

He was a Rhodes Scholar and member of Phi Beta Kappa. He prays that both great and small things, both great and small, will be done.

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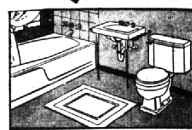
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on education, also one on our tax-exempt foundations and the influence they have exerted upon our educational institutions, by virtue of financing many educational programs.

The chapter pertaining to the news media in this country, its handling of the news in various situations that have arisen since '32, was quite illuminating.

In the heat of the presidential campaign this fall, there are many charges and countercharges being made by both sides. I feel sure that an individual fortified with the information contained in this book will be able to perceive which candidate is making factual statements and which one is not.

"None Dare Call It Treason" (paperback) is available at the local magazine stands and book stores. In order to afford every opportunity of making a sound decision in November, may I urge every registered voter in the Birmingham area to read this book before going to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

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Christmas Help Drive Begins

The Royal Oak branch of the Michigan State Employment Service launched its recruitment drive for retail sales help for the Christmas season on Monday.

The local employment office will again operate its "Employment Service on wheels" in the Northland shopping area. The 29-foot-long trailer opened for business on Monday in the South Mall of Northland Center and will remain there for five weeks.

There are many jobs open for housewives, students 17 years old and over, and anyone else interested in full-time or part-time employment. There are openings for both experienced and inexperienced salespersons, and applicants may apply at the trailer, or at the local office, 737 South Washington, Royal Oak.

Serves Aboard Ship

Seaman apprentice Charlie Heavertich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Heavertich, 918 Ridgely, Birmingham, is serving aboard the cable laying ship, U.S.S. Aeolus, based at Portsmouth, N.H. The ship is on duty along the Atlantic coast.

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