ONE of the most spontaneous outbursts of popular enthusiasm ever accorded to foreign visitors in Japan was given to Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh last August on their triumphant ride from Kasumigauro Naval Airport to the home of Dr. Rudolf Bolling Teusler, Director of St. Luke's International Medical Center, in Tokyo. If the arrival of the famous flyer and his now equally well-known wife was an event for Japan, it was no less an outstanding episode in the history of St. Luke's.

Due to the fact that the new American Embassy is not yet completed, Dr. Teusler turned over his home for the use of the couple during their stay in the City.

Rest, that is, rest such as is accorded to visiting celebrities, was imperative during the first two days after the arrival. On August 30, however, with Ambassador Forbes and Dr. Teusler as guides, the Colonel and his charming wife were shown through the Medical Center.

They left Dr. Teusler’s residence and entered the grounds of the hospital through the back entrance. The little chapel where all the nurses gather for services conducted by the Japanese chaplain, Reverend S. Takeda, each morning at seven was first shown them.

Meet St. Luke’s Staff

From the chapel, Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh were shown to Dr. Teusler’s reception room to meet the staff.

Next, the out-patient clinic was visited. Here nearly 300,000 Japanese each year come to St. Luke’s and wait their turn in the large reception room until they can see a physician for examination or treatment. It is interesting to note that the charity patients’ reception room practically adjoins the waiting room for patients who can afford to pay full charges. Along the hall between these rooms are the doctors’ offices where the patients are examined, and it makes no difference whether the patient can

Anonymous Friend Gives Medical Center $500,000

A FEW weeks after the appearance of the last issue of INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL NEWS, in which a gift of $250,000 was announced, an anonymous donor sent to Dr. R. B. Teusler a pledge of $500,000, payable from a trust fund at the rate of approximately $100,000 each year for five years.

An interesting condition of the gift clearly shows the importance which the donor attaches to the work of Dr. Teusler in the past and future of the Medical Center. In his letter accompanying the pledge the anonymous giver said, “I feel in such a project as you have conceived, it is a privilege to be allowed to have some share in its development…”

“It is also a condition (of the gift) that you will take at least four months’ vacation in Europe or away from Japan and the United States.

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Ambassador Forbes Honored

AMBASSADOR W. CAMERON FORBES has been a very busy man during these times of stress in the Sino-Japanese controversy. He was not too busy, however, to accept an invitation from the American Council for St. Luke’s to an impromptu luncheon held in his honor on the one day of his leave of absence from Japan which he spent in New York.

Not all of the officers and directors of the Council were in the city, unfortunately, but those that were available accepted with an alacrity which is in itself the greatest compliment a busy man can pay.

As Ambassador Forbes has acted as a leading member of the Committee on Construction for the hospital, Hon. George W. Wickersham, as President of the Council, asked him for a report on the progress which has been made in the building of the Medical Center. The Ambassador told

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**Viscount Ei-ichi Shibusawa**

The recent death of His Excellency, Viscount Shibusawa, who was Chairman of the Japanese Advisory Council for St. Luke’s and whose unflagging interest in the project was a constant inspiration to Dr. Teusler, dealt St. Luke’s and the whole of Japan a great loss.

When word of his death reached the National Council, Dr. John W. Wood said, “Japan has lost a great citizen and the rest of the world a great friend in the death of Viscount Ei-ichi Shibusawa. St. Luke’s Hospital, too, has lost an unfailing friend.”

Dr. Wood recalled experiences from his past association with the Viscount. “Among many instances, one stands out,” he said. “The day before Dr. Teusler and I left Tokyo in March, 1928, to begin a renewed effort for the St. Luke’s Building Fund, Viscount Shibusawa, in spite of his eighty-eight years, called at Dr. Teusler’s house to say goodbye. As we parted he said, ‘I shall pray for your success.’ We must not fail to win the success for which he prayed.”

**Council Officers Elected**

Two former ambassadors, as well as the present American ambassador to Japan, were elected as Vice-Presidents of the American Council at the first organization meeting of its Board of Directors in mid-September. They were: Honorable William R. Castle, now Under-Secretary of State; Honorable Roland S. Morris; and Ambassador W. Cameron Forbes. George W. Wickersham was unanimously elected President of the Council.

Colonel William Cooper Procter and Samuel Thorne likewise were elected as Vice-Presidents, with Mr. Thorne serving also as Secretary, Thomas W. Lamont as Treasurer, and Harold F. Strong as Assistant Secretary.

The Board of Directors is listed elsewhere on this page.

**Anonymous Gift to Hospital**

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“I believe your work in organizing and establishing St. Luke’s during the next five years is much more important than the mere building of the hospital. If St. Luke’s is to be the power it should be and can be, it can be made so only through your efforts.”

Continuing in his letter, the donor said, “There is no reason why you, after a proper rest, should not be able to plan, organize, and develop your work for the coming fifteen years and so make permanent the work which you have conceived and in which I am permitted to take part.

“I cannot over-stress the importance I place upon your health and I am going to ask your personal promise that you will comply with this condition of my contribution.”

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Japan’s death rate is nearly twice that of the United States.
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or can not afford to pay, he receives exactly the same consideration and thoroughness of treatment.

Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh were then shown the kitchens. With few exceptions the food is prepared under Japanese direction, and one section caters strictly to special diets and foreign foods; another to the simpler and more popular native Japanese cooking. Since very often as many as six or seven different nationalities are represented by the patients in the hospital at one time, it can readily be seen that the position of chef is an important one. Equally important is the work of the American dietitian, Miss Helen Pond.

The storerooms, where each day the necessary supplies are given out, and the men’s and women’s charity wards next occupied the attention of the party. Maternity charity cases are accepted on the recommendation of the Tokyo City Health Department. Expectant mothers are given advice and care from the time of their first examination, and remain in the hospital at least twelve days after the delivery of the child. This care compares with the best that is given even in the most modern European and American hospitals. Layettes of Japanese clothes are supplied each child born in St. Luke’s. The work of the Child-Welfare Department, in the hospital, the homes, and the schools, shows a total of 31,500 treatments a year.

The next section brought delighted exclamations of surprise from both the Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh. This was the little known but extremely interesting special ward where are kept some of the very young children until their own parents are able to care for them. These bright-eyed young citizens are sometimes a year or more in this ward, learning health habits which will remain with them after they have returned to their own homes.

St. Luke’s Equipment Modern

The laboratories, too, were a revelation to the visitors. Dr. Teusler explained what was already apparent to them: viz.: the equipment was the most modern obtainable and would all be used in the new hospital. The same is true of all equipment used in the present cramped quarters: laundry machinery, beds, operating equipment, instruments, etc., will be transferred next spring at the opening of the Medical Center.

Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh evinced equal interest in the private patients’ wing of the hospital. Babies were wheeled out on the lawn for their inspection.

Later they were taken to the roof of the new Medical Center. Since this is one of the highest buildings in the City, it affords an excellent view of Tokyo. It was necessary, as Dr. Teusler explained, to get a special permit from the Government in order to build the sixth story of the new building.

At the end of the inspection, both Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh were profuse in their praise of St. Luke’s.

The Colonel, who is not given to careless statements, said, “This institution is one of the greatest sights in Tokyo. I am particularly interested in Dr. Teusler’s work because I can see how well it meets the urgent need of these people.”
NEARLY four-hundred people assembled in the great Colorado Room of the Cosmopolitan Hotel in Denver during the Episcopal Congress there in September, to pledge their confidence and support to the work of Dr. Teusler in Tokyo.

With George W. Wickersham, President of the American Council, presiding, the meeting was one of the most enthusiastic ever witnessed by leaders in the cause of St. Luke’s. Mr. Wickersham explained the purpose of the formation of the American Council and told the assemblage that the Council will work until every cent of the funds needed to complete the entire Medical Center is raised.

Bishop John McKim made a stirring acknowledgment of his gratitude to the American Council for their ceaseless efforts on behalf of St. Luke’s. Mrs. David St. John (who had just returned from Tokyo) spoke briefly on the development of the College of Nursing, emphasizing the aid which Ambassador Forbes has given in the construction of both the college and the hospital. Dr. John W. Wood described the need which St. Luke’s is filling in a land where American standards of practical medicine are eagerly emulated but are still far from achievement.

Send Message to Dr. Teusler

One of the first showings of the motion-picture of the visit of Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh to St. Luke’s was held before the assembly.

A resolution to send Dr. Teusler a cable of greeting was passed amid spontaneous cheering. The message read: “Nearly four-hundred men and women at luncheon here today send you affectionate congratulations. They intend to stand by St. Luke’s.”

At the speakers table were: Mr. and Mrs. George W. Wickersham, Bishop and Mrs. John McKim, Bishop Shirley H. Nichols, Bishop and Mrs. Norman S. Binsted, Samuel Thorne, Miss Elizabeth Matthews, Mrs. David St. John, Stephen Baker, Dr. John W. Wood, Mrs. George W. Woodward, Lewis B. Franklin, Mrs. Charles R. Pancoast, Paul Rusch.

Sarah G. White Appointed

MISS SARAH G. WHITE has left for Tokyo to accept a position as Assistant Principal and Supervisor of Instruction at St. Luke’s College of Nursing.

St. Luke’s was particularly fortunate in securing Miss White. She has been a Superintendent of Instruction at Pasadena General Hospital and received her degree of B.S. from Teachers’ College at Columbia University. Previously she served as Superintendent of Nurses at the Baptist Sanitarium in Waco, Texas, and as an Instructor in Methods of Teaching in Schools of Nursing at Stanford University.

More recently Miss White has been Chief Inspector of Nurses for the California Bureau of Registered Nurses.

THROUGH the death of Samuel Mather in Cleveland, on October 19, St. Luke’s lost a most enthusiastic supporter and generous friend. Often termed “Ohio’s most outstanding citizen,” Mr. Mather was quick to appreciate the work which Dr. Teusler has accomplished in the building of a medical center to spread health in Japan. His support, like that of many others, was given the institution because of the knowledge and insight with which many years of philanthropic work had endowed him.

Mr. Mather was a member of the American Executive Committee for St. Luke’s from the time of its formation, and when that Committee was perpetuated through incorporating the American Council, he was among the charter members of the Board of Directors.

All of those who have labored to bring St. Luke’s, Tokyo, to its present position of influence inevitably feel a sense of personal bereavement in the passing of so outstanding a friend and benefactor as Samuel Mather.

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of developments in the construction. “The concrete work for the central unit is finished,” he said, “and all that remains to be done is the interior and exterior finishing.” He added that the effects of the depression had not involved curtailment or delay in the building program, but rather had aided the program, in that they have reduced the costs of material and labor. The West Wing of the hospital, he said, now has space for 350 beds, and, when completed, the Medical Center will accommodate 500 inpatients.

“The work which Dr. Teusler is doing in the building of St. Luke’s Hospital,” the Ambassador said, “is truly one of the marvels of the Orient. Dr. Teusler will go down in history as one of the really great benefactors of mankind. His work should not stop with the completion of this one institution, but this will be a groundwork for a greater program of extending better health to the Japanese people.”

Among those present at the luncheon, in addition to Mr. Wickersham, were: Stephen Baker, Martin Egan, Robert C. Hill, Samuel Thorne, John W. Wood, and Eugene C. Worden.