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NIH Director Elevates Two Senior Officials

Establishment of two major staff positions and the appointment of senior NIH officials to the posts has been announced by Dr. James B. Wyngaarden, NIH Director.

Dr. Joseph E. Rall was appointed to the position of Deputy Director for Intramural Research, and Dr. William F. Raub was named Deputy Director for Extramural Research and Training.

With Dr. Thomas E. Malone, who continues as overall NIH Deputy Director, the newly appointed deputies will serve as the principal advisors to the NIH Director.

The responsibilities of the former position of Deputy Director for Science (that had been filled on an acting basis by Dr. Rall) will transfer to the Deputy Director for Intramural Research, who will advise the Director on general scientific matters and intramural research policies and coordinate the intramural research program.

The Deputy Director for Extramural Research and Training will coordinate the development and implementation of policies affecting extramural programs, a function that Dr. Raub has performed for 5 years as NIH Associate Director for Extramural Research and Training.

Dr. Rall, who joined the NIH in 1955, was director of the Division of Intramural Research at the National Institute of Arthritis, Diabetes, and Digestive and Kidney Diseases for over 20 years.

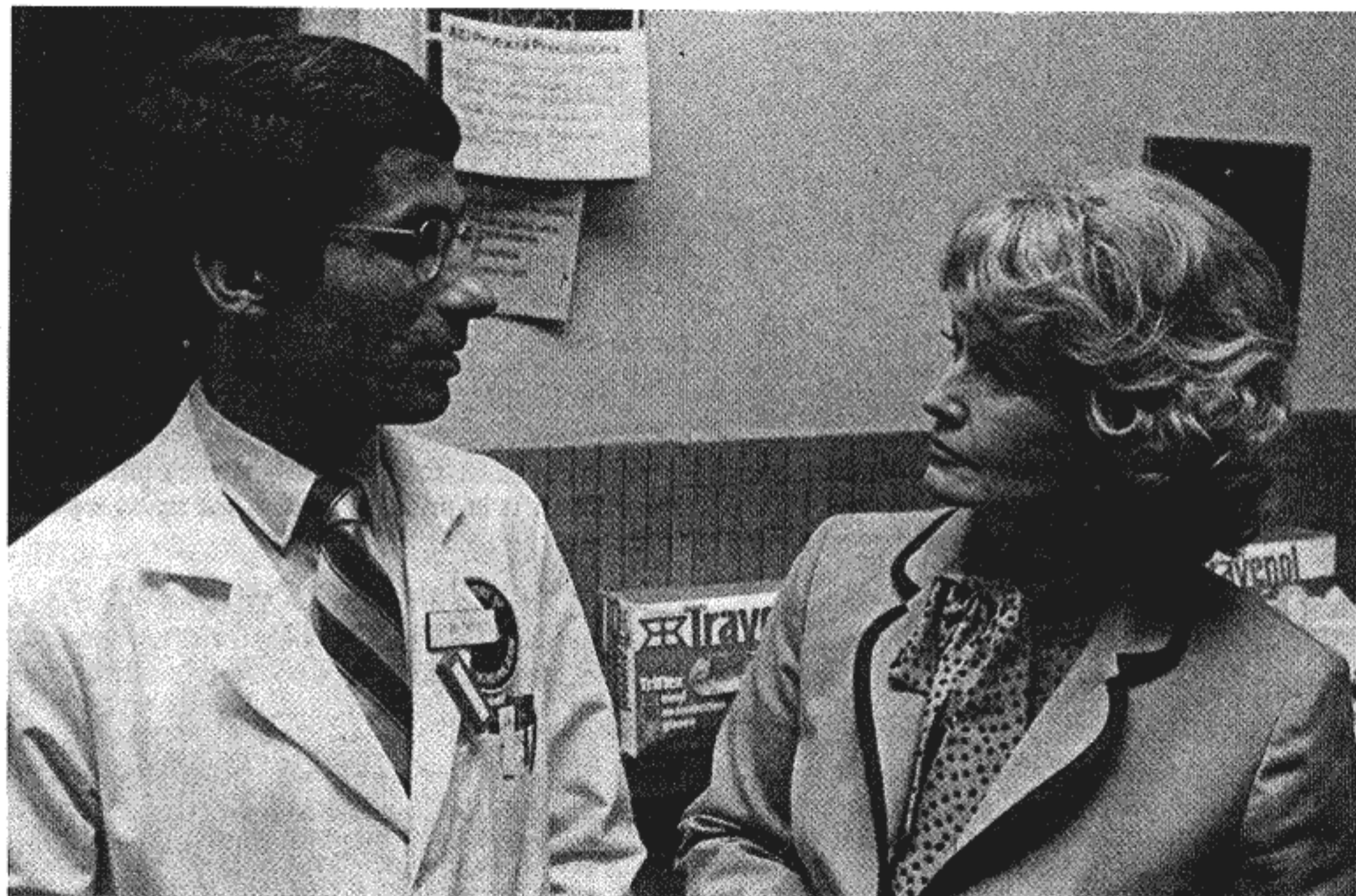
In announcing Dr. Rall's appointment, Dr. Wyngaarden said, "We are delighted that Dr. Rall has accepted this opportunity and challenge to provide leadership and direction for our intramural programs. He brings to this position special strengths in clinical research as well as basic science."

Dr. Rall received his M.D. from Northwestern University Medical School (1945), and his Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota (1952). He has also received honorary doctoral degrees from North Central College, Naperville, Ill., in 1966 and the Free University of Brussels in 1975. He was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 1980.

He is a member of many professional organizations, and is the coauthor of more than 160 scientific articles. His scientific research has been in the areas of thyroid hormones, iodine metabolism, and thyroid diseases.

During his Federal service, he has received the Arthur S. Flemming Award (1959), the

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Secretary of Health and Human Services Margaret M. Heckler is shown speaking with Dr. Anthony Fauci just after visiting two of his acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) patients at the Clinical Center on June 9. Before visiting the patients, the Secretary received a 3-hour briefing on the AIDS problem by the Public Health Service AIDS Executive Committee. She was accompanied on her visit by the Assistant Secretary for Health Dr. Edward N. Brandt, Jr., and three special assistants, Roger Woodworth, Gerald Lange and Linda Bilms. This was Secretary Heckler's first visit to the NIH campus. She is scheduled to return on July 5 when Dr. T. Franklin Williams will be sworn in as Director of the National Institute on Aging and again on July 19 for an all-day "familiarization visit" to the NIH.

Secretary Heckler Honors NIH Staff Members For Outstanding Service at HHS Ceremony

Six NIH staff members were honored by HHS Secretary Margaret M. Heckler during the Department's Honor Awards Ceremony held June 20 in the Great Hall in the Hubert H. Humphrey Bldg. In addition, the NIH received Departmental recognition for its exceptional procurement activities.

Dr. Edward N. Brandt, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Health, and Dr. Thomas E. Malone, representing Dr. James B. Wyngaarden, Director, NIH, assisted with the presentations. Dr. Wyngaarden was chairing the Director's Advisory Committee meeting and unable to attend the ceremony.

The Distinguished Service Award, the Department's highest honor award conferred on civilian employees, was presented to Dr. Gary Felsenfeld, chief, physical chemistry section, Laboratory of Molecular Biology, NIADDK, and Dr. Maxine F. Singer, chief, Laboratory of Biochemistry, Division of Cancer Biology and Diagnosis, NCI. The recognition was based on scientific

achievements.

Joan B. Fuller, administrative officer, Division of Intramural Research, Office of the Director, National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, received the Secretary's Special Citation for 10 outstanding Employees of the Year.

Otis Ducker, director, Division of Administrative Services, received the HHS Equal Opportunity Achievement Award. Frances B. Cannon, biological laboratory technician, Laboratory of Developmental Biology and Anomalies, National Institute of Dental Research, received the Department's Outstanding Handicapped Employee of the Year Award. William F. Stancliff, visual information specialist, Office of the Director, Division of Research Grants, received the HHS Volunteer Award.

NIH received the HHS Small and Disadvantaged Business Achievement Award. The citation read "for outstanding operation of

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