

father, reportedly expressed his appreciation for the excellent medical care given his son. The loss of this boy was felt keenly by all persons associated with this project.

In view of the difficulties encountered by Dr. Conard's team in carrying out the medical survey last spring, there was concern as to possible repercussions of the leukemia death on relations of the survey team with the Marshallese. As yet, there is no indication of an adverse effect of the case on such relations. Two members of the Brookhaven staff, Dr. Knud Knudsen and Mr. William Scott, were on hand at the funeral in addition to Mr. Peter Coleman, Assistant High Commissioner of the Trust Territory, and Mr. Oscar DeBrum, District Administrator of the Marshall Islands. In view of this case, plans are being developed for interim six-month examinations of the blood of the Rongelap people to supplement the regular complete annual medical survey.

The 19- and 29-year-old girls, mentioned in our report of September 8, 1972, as having thyroid nodules, underwent surgery at Cleveland Metropolitan General Hospital on November 14, 1972. In one case,

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We will keep you informed of further developments in these matters.

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