

is a simple maneuver that can be performed under local anesthesia, and which potentiates lymph flow and relieves ascites without adversely affecting liver cell function. The fact that splenic pulp pressure also falls suggests that the mode of therapy may also relieve varix hemorrhage although one patient succumbed from gastrointestinal hemorrhage seven days following a lymph-venous shunt.

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FORTHCOMING CONVENTIONS

The fourteenth Annual Hanford Biology Symposium will be held in Richland, Washington, September 30 – October 2, 1974. The Symposium is sponsored by the United States Atomic Energy Commission, Division of Biomedical and Environmental Research and *Battelle Memorial Institute*, Pacific Northwest Laboratories. The subject will be "*Radiation and the Lymphatic System*", J.E. Ballou, Chairman. The Symposium will address the general subject of the lymphatic system; its structure, function and organization with emphasis on the role of the lymphatic system in transporting radioactive particles and in radiation injury.

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It is with a deep sense of personal and professional regret that I announce that Dr. *Sumner Wood, Jr.*, died on February 13, 1974. Dr. *Wood* was a member of the International Society of Lymphology since its inception. He participated in many of the Society's activities and was an Associate Editor of our Journal, *Lymphology*.

Dr. *Wood* graduated from Yale in 1951 and from Harvard Medical School in 1954. He trained at the Johns Hopkins Medical School and later taught there as a member of the Department of Pathology. After training with Dr. *Shields Warren* in Boston, he returned to the Johns Hopkins Hospital where he served from 1960 to 1970 as Chief of Cancer Research Laboratories. In 1970, he joined Merck Sharp, & Dohme Research Laboratories as Director of the Experimental Pathology Department of the Merck Institute for Therapeutic Research. Our deepest sympathies are extended to Dr. *Wood's* wife and his family.

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