

Experimental

Other applications of Silastic have been tried experimentally. These innovations are mentioned, not as completed techniques, but as items of interest.

1. S-5391 as coating for cotton webbing in harness applications.
2. S-5391 as coating for the inner surface of plaster splints.
3. S-5391 as a laminated cover for the shank of a prosthesis.
4. S-5391 or 385 to make molds to reproduce parts.
5. 386 as build-ups for body contours (shoulder build-up for fore-quarter).
6. The viscosity of the 385 may be increased to a paste consistency by the addition of an inert filler to the elastomer. The filler used was sulca flox.
7. To separate Silastic from itself, paraffin dissolved in Xylene is recommended.

Dr. Lawrence W. Friedmann Appointed To Top Medical Post at Institute for Crippled and Disabled

Lawrence W. Friedmann, M.D., a specialist in physical medicine and rehabilitation and an authority on low back injuries, has been named Director of Medical Services at the Institute for the Crippled and Disabled by James N. Burrows, the Director of the rehabilitation center. The Institute is located at 23rd Street and First Avenue in New York City.

Dr. Friedmann is Instructor in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at the College of Medicine, New York University, with which the Institute for the Crippled and Disabled is professionally affiliated. He holds appointments as Assistant Attending Physician at New York University Hospital; Assistant Visiting Physician in the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at City Hospital, Elmhurst, Queens, New York; and as Clinician for the Corona Stroke Project, New York City Department of Health.

Since joining the Institute's staff in 1962, Dr. Friedmann has held a series of increasingly responsible positions, the most recent being that of Associate Medical Director. In his new post, he is in charge of providing handicapped persons of all ages and with many types of disability with a broad range of medical services including orthopedics, neurology, internal medicine, physical and occupational therapy, and special programs for amputees.

He is a graduate of Syracuse University and received his medical degree at the Howard University College of Medicine, Washington, D.C. While a resident in physical medicine at the New York University Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Dr. Friedmann served on the Institute for the Crippled and Disabled's staff. For two years, he was a medical officer with the United States Air Force, and before that he was a resident at the Bronx Municipal Hospital Center of the Albert Einstein Medical College.