BARNES HOSPITAL HISTORY

Barnes Hospital was dedicated in October 1914, and in the 33 years that have elapsed since then, its doors have been open 24 hours a day to the care of sick and injured persons without distinction of creed -- a realization of the dream of Mr. Barnes.

However, the Barnes Hospital of 1914 and that of 1948 present a dramatic contrast in physical plant and scope of hospital service. In 1914 Barnes Hospital was a 150 bed institution; today there are 435 beds. In addition the Trustees of Barnes Hospital operate the 154 bed McMillan Hospital and 135 bed Maternity Hospital, swelling the total bed capacity to 724.

The physical growth of Barnes is attributable in part to the increased public consciousness of the high quality of medical care that it renders. As the community's appreciation of the value of the hospital's service has developed, the hospital has had to expand its facilities to accommodate the ever-increasing demand for medical care. The entire original surgical wing was replaced in 1931 by the Rand Johnson Memorial Building. This modern building dedicated 'to the welfare of mankind through the advancement of surgery' connects directly with each floor of the Edward Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, erected at the same time by Washington University to furnish x-ray facilities for the hospitals and clinics. The Jacob Tittrell Metabolism ward was completed the following year to furnish unexcelled facilities for the care of disorders of nutrition. Chest Service, always an outstanding department of the hospital, moved into new and larger quarters. Clinical Laboratories, which had been conducted by the School of Medicine, were taken over by the hospital and centralized in 1941. At the same time a new colored ward with a capacity of 21 patients was opened. The growing need for space to care for private ambulatory patients led to the opening in 1942 of private doctors' offices on the ground floor of the Rand Johnson Memorial. In 1944 two isolation units were opened in Barnes Hospital enabling the Trustees to provide facilities for patients who in the past had not been often or adequately cared for in general hospitals.

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STAFF CHANGES

MISS LOUISE HILLIGASS who has served faithfully for the past five years as Superintendent of Nurses of Barnes and McMillan Hospitals and the Washington University Clinics, will retire September 1, 1948. We, who have talked and worked with her, express gratitude for her cooperation and good will. Her interest in nursing, she says, will continue throughout the years although in a less active status.

We welcome MISS LUCILLE SPALDING who will take over the duties of Miss Hilligass. We all know her at the present as the head of the Graduate Nurse Education Program in the School of Nursing. The School of Nursing, however, will continue to solicit her often for sound advice.

BASKETBALL RIVALRY

The Private Medical INTERNS, under the direction of DR. NOAH, are matching their abilities on the basketball floor against the HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION class which is under the direction of HARRY PANHORST. The event will take place at the gym of ST. JOHN'S METHODIST CHURCH on the Southwest corner of Washington and Kingshighway on Wednesday evening, April 7th at 7:00 PM. A movement is on foot to draft Dillon Trulove to referee the contest. He will be expected to come with full equipment -- 3 heat lamps and 2 oxygen tents. All interested spectators invited, but must supply your own bifocals.

KNOW YOUR STAFF

Fourth in this series of KNOW YOUR STAFF we are presenting Mr. C. F. Stephens. He was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada on June 3, 1912. His father, Dr. George F. Stephens, was Superintendent of Winnipeg General Hospital. At the age of 8, Mr. Stephens started hospital work as a page, working two afternoons a week at a salary of 25¢ a week.

He graduated from Kelvin High School, Winnipeg, and received an A.B. degree from the Univ. of Manitoba in 1935. In 1936 he enrolled in the Course in Hospital Administration of the Univ. of Chicago, and served his internship at Christ Hospital in Cincinnati in 1938.

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ESTHER HALEY and MARGARET BARKER, Maternity, wish they had tied strings around their fingers last week. Esther lost her Easter Bonnet in the show before she had a chance to display it in the Easter parade. Margaret lost a skirt that she had just called for at the cleaners.

We extend deepest sympathy to ARLINE THOMAS on the death of her small son who was killed by an auto recently.

Congratulations are in order for those 19 cadet nurses who have finished their training up to April 3. These 19 and the remaining 9, who will complete their training soon, will be the June graduation class.

A housewarming was in progress over the weekend by the W.U. School of Nursing for the purpose of recruiting student nurses. A tour of the hospital, concert by the School’s Glee Club, and an overnight stay in the Nurses’ Residence were on the weekend program.

Congratulations are in order for EFFIE STRAND, nurse, who is sporting a diamond ring on the third finger, left hand.

Those in Maternity are seeing double, and rightly so, since their identical twin attendants working side by side have been around. Their names—BERNICE and LOUISE WRICE.

The Maintenance Dept. is proving its creative ability by making a complete dishwashing machine for McMillan.

STORK NEWS

Henry Williams, McMillan Admitting, passed the candy on March 31 to announce that he is the proud papa of a new baby boy. Mother is also doing fine.

We regret that the paper is late. A defect in the printing process caused the delay.

KNOW YOUR STAFF (Cont)

receiving his M.B.A. degree from the U. of Chicago in 1938. He held the position of Asst. Director of Evanston Hospital, Evanston, Ill., from 1938 to Oct. 1941 when he entered the Med. Admin. Corps, Royal Canadian Air Force. Upon his discharge in Aug. 1945, he served as Acting Supt. of Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, in Aug. and Sept. 1945.

Mr. Stephens has been in his present position, Assoc. Dir. of the W.U. Clinics, since Oct. 1945 and, in addition, has been Assoc. Director of the course in Hospital Administration of Washington U. from its beginning July 1, 1946, to the present time.

He married an Army Nurse, which is the only fond remembrance he has of the service. Last year a son, George Findlay, was born in St. Louis Maternity Hospital.

Mr. Stephens has no food preferences—eats anything. As for hobbies, he is too busy to have any.

ON THE SCENE

Last week the Lab. Office made the first move in the hospital for spring cleaning. The arrangement is for the purpose of bigger and better efficiency.

MAE MARTIN & RALPH HOLLERORTH, Credit and Accounting, made real progress out of the rest of the Acctg. Office. Tempting cupcakes in appearance but not in substance. Eh, chilluns?

Those men who have been sticking their noses in the books are the auditors. So far so good!

Bouquets to our faithful employee WILLIAM PULS, Maintenance, who has been with us for almost 25 years and celebrated his 80th birthday the 3rd of this month.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 1
Bessie McDonnell
Mary J. Heyssel
Laverne Elson
Bernard Johnson
William Puls
Ona Key
Pauline Colodasure
Grace Hurt
Audrey Perry
Jean Fox
Lena Smith
Dorothy Frolker
Harry Farnhorst
Lois Lutz
Phyllis Hunger
Joan Carroll
Jean Carroll
Catherine Grant
Laverne Robinson
Marcia Jones
Patsy Foster
John Baumann
Adolph Friz
Delores Smith
Ruby Burdett
Carolyn Larsen
Fred Hinrichs
Jack Lewis
Kathryn Browning
Louise Corey
Robert Hobus
Joseph McCoy
Margaret Edele
Vetta Ruffin
Nicholas Mueller
Frances Fischl
Wildred Wheeler
Alberta Jones
Edward Scott
Mary E. Hudson
Theora Mitchell
Joseph Mason
Beatrice Stewart
Mack Jones

HAVE YOU HEARD —

Truth in advertising was upheld the other day when some shirts, said by the manufacturer to be able to laugh at the laundry, came back with their sides split.