The 1955 annual convention of the American Hospital Association, which was held in Atlantic City, September 19-22, had one of the best rounded schedules ever offered for the conventioners. The meeting was held in Convention Hall, which is the world's largest auditorium and convention hall. The building covers seven acres of ground and the entire population of Atlantic City - 68,000 - can be seated in the structure with room to spare.

Almost 40 round table sessions were scheduled during the four-day meeting. These sessions covered such subjects as administrative and management problems, factors affecting hospital costs, community support of the hospital, problems and supervisory training, medical staff trustee relationships, and shortage of professional personnel. At the same time there were concurrent sessions on highly important subjects including "Conference on Hospital Planning", "Civil Defense--Its Implications to Hospitals", "Civil Defense Planning--The Role of Large and Small Hospitals", and "Hospital-Physician Relationships".

The theme for the 1955 meeting was "Working Together for Better Health", and each day at noon new hospital films centered on this theme were shown.

One of the largest and most complete groups of exhibits ever shown at a hospital convention opened on Monday morning. Included were the latest features in hospital design, commercial, technical, educational and architectural exhibits. In addition, the office of the Surgeon General of the Army had a complete army hospital train on display and assembled on the beach in front of Convention Hall was a 36-bed air transportable infirmary which was being exhibited by the Air Force Medical Department. At the formal opening of exhibits, Dr. Frank R. Bradley, President of the American Hospital Association and Director of Barnes Medical Center, brought greetings from the Association to the delegates. At the first general session on "The Hospital and Community", Dr. Bradley presided and spoke on "The Hospital and Community Health". On Monday (continued on page 6)
NEW CLASSES BEGIN IN MEDICAL CENTER

On September 1, 1955, several new classes began in our medical center. The largest was the first class in Barnes Hospital School of Nursing. Seventy-four young women from five states have begun their training in the school. The three-year diploma program was accredited by the Missouri State Board of Nursing at its annual meeting last June. The curriculum has been organized and the faculty selected to insure the most functional program possible. Capping ceremonies for the class were held at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, September 2, in the auditorium of Wohl Hospital. Dr. F. R. Bradley, Director of Barnes Group, Judge Ivan Lee Holt, Jr., a member of the Barnes Board of Trustees, Miss Ann J. Campbell, Director of Nursing, and Miss Edna Williamson, President of the Student Government Association, welcomed the new class to the school. In a very impressive and beautiful ceremony Miss Campbell and Mrs. Grace Coleman, Director of Student Activities, presented the students with their caps. After repeating the Florence Nightingale Pledge, the students received their families and friends at a reception in Wohl Dining Room.

Eight new dietary interns have begun their training in hospital dietetics. After completion of the one-year internship, they are eligible for certification by the American Dietetic Association. The new interns are: Billie Lou Tarpley, Cris Poulos Esmay, Nancy Sumie Yamamoto, Kay Chapman Locke, Edith Bernice Johnson, Martha Moseley, Doris Jean Wilson, and Nancy Claire Mosley.

On September 6, eight students were enrolled in the Barnes Hospital School of Medical Technology. Those who began the one-year course are: Fern Blevins, Mona Cassell, Joanne House, Betty Ketelhohn.
Shown above, Miss Ann Campbell and Mrs. Grace Coleman pin caps on two of the new student nurses at the capping ceremony which was held on September 2.

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FIRST CLASS OF STUDENTS IN B
CHAPLAIN'S CORNER
by
George Bowles

Life is a process of change. This could be looked upon as a very trite statement, for throughout the ages the man of the street and the countryside, the poet and the artists of various sorts have been saying this in many different ways. It is possible that we have lost much of the significance of important changes by allowing them to pass by without our notice.

Great changes take place in the creations of nature which surround us. The coming of the season of autumn is a glorious reminder of an unparalleled beauty which is the possession of all levels of the human family on a like basis. No artist is able to create the splendor that we find in the changing tints of the October foliage on the side of a hill. The greatest ones know that this is so, but they do their best to reproduce it in pictures that can remind us of the importance of this transformation throughout the year.

Great changes come through the many fields of science. It may be true to some extent that there is nothing new in the way of materials, as we are so often reminded, but it is easy to see that man has made real progress in shaping that which we have been given into new benefits for the human race. One must hasten to say, of course, that some of the inventiveness in the field of science has not added to the abundance of life. The realistic optimist continues to believe that life is good, and as a result he finds himself offering a prayer of thanksgiving for minds that can create and for hands that can shape.

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evening, September 19, Dr. Bradley was host at the President's reception and tea dance honoring Ray E. Brown, President-Elect.

On Wednesday evening, September 21, the American Hospital Association Banquet was held in the American Room of the Traymore Hotel. At this banquet Dr. Bradley relinquished his office of President of the A.H.A. to Ray E. Brown, Superintendent of the University of Chicago Clinics. Mr. Brown was chosen President-Elect at the annual meeting last year.

At the general session on "The Future of Hospital Care", Mr. Edgar E. Rand, member of the Barnes Hospital Board of Trustees and President of the International Shoe Company, discussed "The Future of the General Hospital".

Other conventions which ran concurrently with the American Hospital Association meeting were the American College of Hospital Administrators, American Association of Nurse Anesthetists, American Association of Hospital Consultants, Association of Hospital Planning Agencies, and Women's Hospital Auxiliaries.

Members of our administrative staff who attended the meeting in Atlantic City were: Dr. Frank R. Bradley, Mrs. C. S. Knowles, Dr. C. O. Vermillion, Mr. Harry E. Panhorst, and Mr. Joseph Greco.

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The changes that have most to do with the type of world in which we find ourselves come through the attitudes and actions of individuals. It is much more comfortable to talk about nature and science! It is in this area that change becomes a very personal thing, and each day is an opportunity to use it as an instrument for human good.
Shown above are the graduating dietary interns. From left to right: Mary Fletcher, Mary Pylant, Jeannine Schmidt, Suzanne Leontsinis, Alice Stemmons, Nadine Tucker, Nina Sonderlind, Julie Safford, Amelia Riley, and Edith Maeshiro.

Shown below are the graduating dietary residents. From left to right: Norma Janes, Jacqueline Morris, Barbara Hardister, Mary Farrell, and Elizabeth Hansen.
Joyce Langlois, Mary Rother, Rickie Sewell and Clarice Strode.

Eleven students have entered the Washington University Course in Hospital Administration, conducted by the Washington University School of Medicine. These students will spend nine months attending classes and seminars on the campus of Washington University and at the medical center. After completion of the academic year and a year's internship at an approved hospital, the degree of Master of Hospital Administration is awarded by the University. This year's students are: Charles W. Arends, George P. Bauer, Jr., Wesley D. Burch, Jr., Hung Soo Byun, Ned B. Clark, Leslie D. Feeback, Bruce D. Jennings, John B. Mathews, Joseph L. R. Mazur, Daniel A. Pettengill, and Edward Rensch, Jr.

Two young women, Miss Lou Fogelman and Miss Carmen Martinez, have begun their internships in Hospital Pharmacy Administration. Both hold B.S. degrees in pharmacy from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy and Allied Sciences.

To all of these students, as well as those in the schools of medicine and dentistry, we extend a hearty welcome to our medical center.

Roderick: "Is Jim a confirmed bachelor?"
Cuthbert: "He is now. He sent his picture to a Lonely Hearts Club and they sent it back with a note saying: 'We're not that lonely'."

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