Auxiliary wins award as outstanding in Missouri

The Barnes Hospital Auxiliary won the top award during a meeting of the Missouri Hospital Association (MHA) held in early November at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Clara Tremayne, president of the Barnes Auxiliary, accepted the award from Mrs. Dorothy McKenna of Hannibal, Mo., chairman of the MHA Auxiliary and Volunteer Services Committee. The award was presented during a luncheon meeting featuring an address by Missouri State Senator William Cason.

The award was one of the three top auxiliary awards presented to hospital groups at the meeting. Barnes received the award for the outstanding auxiliary in a large hospital (more than 300 beds). Other awards went to Christian Hospital Auxiliary and Volunteer Services Committee.

The competition was based on reports submitted to the competition committee. Reports included statistics, operating procedures, fund raising projects, auxiliary donations to the hospital, volunteer program facts and figures and community service. The awards were presented for the first time.

Mrs. Tremayne said that the award represents recognition of the outstanding work which Auxiliary members have done since the Auxiliary was founded in 1959. Since that time, the Auxiliary has contributed more than $1 million to Barnes to equip the coronary care unit and, most recently, to equip the cardiothoracic intensive care unit on the second floor of the Rand-Johnson building.

"We are very proud of the award," Mrs. Tremayne said, "but we are even more proud of the work which has been accomplished at Barnes by the Auxiliary. All of the money which has been donated to the hospital has been raised by in-hospital projects such as the Wishing Well, Baby Photo, Nearly New and Tribute Fund. These all represent many hours of work on the part of Barnes Auxilians."

Many representatives of state hospital auxiliaries had displays at meetings of the three-day conference. The Barnes Auxiliary display featured a six-minute slide presentation on the Auxiliary and volunteers at Barnes. The presentation, synchronized with a taped narration, was produced by the Barnes public relations department and features approximately 35 slides.

Also featured at the Barnes display was a copper plaque of the Barnes Hospital logo and other information about the Auxiliary and volunteers. The display was hosted by Mrs. Tremayne and Katie Beyer, director of volunteers.

Mrs. Florence Mueller retires after 40 years as Barnes pharmacist

Can a girl from New York City find happiness working as a pharmacist in St. Louis? The answer is an unequivocal "yes" from Florence Mueller who retired Nov. 28 after 40 years working in the pharmacy at Barnes Hospital.

"My parents were not happy living in New York, and when they talked to friends who had moved to St. Louis and found it was a good place to live, well, they moved here," Mrs. Mueller said. "They made the right decision."

Mrs. Mueller graduated from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy in 1931, the only woman in a class of 75 and at the top of her class. "I had graduated from Central High School and had gone to Fontbonne for two years," she said. "I had also been working in my father's drug store and decided to attend pharmacy school." She began as a staff pharmacist in 1935 and has been head of the department for approximately 30 years. (Her father, Hugo, also had worked as a Barnes pharmacist.)

She was honored Nov. 25 at a party at the pool in Queeny Tower. She received many gifts and was presented with a certificate of retirement by hospital President Robert E. Frank. Gifts included a money tree, a set of luggage and a 40-year Barnes service pin.

During her 40 years at Barnes the pharmacy has been moved three times. "When I came we had a little room in the basement of the old number four building," Mrs. Mueller said. "We moved to the basement of Barnes and then took over an area now occupied by the controller's office." The final move was to Queeny Tower when it was constructed in 1965.

"When I came to Barnes we had only four people working in the pharmacy and the hospital had 350 beds," she said. "The pharmacy was in charge of purchasing all of the operating room instruments and there were a lot fewer drugs to keep track of in those days." The pharmacy has grown to 64 employees including approximately 55 registered pharmacists. The hospital now has 1200 beds.

Other changes have been the conversion of the pharmacy to a 24-hour-day schedule and the taking over of the clinic pharmacy. "The biggest changes I have seen in the 40 years have been the tremendous growth in the amount and types of drugs available for physicians to prescribe, the upgrading of the additives area and, most recently, the adding of the computer facilities to increase the pharmacy's effectiveness.

It is said that continued learning keeps people young and Mrs. Mueller is proof of the saying. "It has been a tremendous challenge keeping track of the many changes in this field. I may be old according to age but not according to mind. The pharmacy is a fascinating and challenging area."

Mrs. Mueller said when penicillin first was marketed, "We had to keep close track of where each unit went. We had to mark down which patient received it and what it was prescribed for. When it was introduced we paid approximately $25 for 100,000 units. Now that same amount might cost 25 cents."

An early riser, Mrs. Mueller frequently arrived at the hospital by 4 or 5 a.m. "It's quiet then and I can get a lot of work done. Also, by arriving at that time, I have the chance to talk with all my supervisors, something I think is very important."

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The question “Is there a doctor in the house?” in the telecommunications office at Barnes will be more easily answered early next year when the electronic physician registry is installed.

When the registry is in operation, physicians, delivery of messages to physicians, according to system in the hospital and ensure more accurate signaling of doctors, cut down on use of the paging system in early January and will facilitate the location of availability within the hospital. He may use such messages, the physician may also indicate his intention to sign the doctor into the hospital and enable the physician to immediately dial his personal number and one additional number to tell the registry he is leaving. At this point the system will inform the physician of any additional messages.

The system will enable the physician to receive messages more frequently and more accurately because he doesn’t have to call the paging operators who are handling more than 1500 pages each day. Because of the volume and delays encountered by not knowing whether or not a doctor is in the hospital messages are occasionally lost. Many pages are unnecessary and the new system will alleviate this kind of problem, according to Mr. Voyles. “We plan only to page physicians who have ‘signed’ into the hospital except under emergency conditions.”

The new system will also enable the physician to receive messages such as “call your exchange.” A directory listing the registry number for each physician on the system will be distributed to physicians and hospital personnel prior to the beginning of operation.

“I think the greatest value of this new system is going to be its efficiency and accuracy,” Mr. Voyles said. “Physicians will find it to be more beneficial to them in terms of their time savings and in terms of receiving their messages.”

Barnes now offers bone marrow transplant procedure

Barnes has joined the small number of hospitals where bone marrow transplants are being done. Until now, this procedure was available primarily at medical centers in Seattle, Baltimore, Los Angeles and Boston (and formerly at the National Cancer Institute).

Dr. Geoffrey Herzig, Barnes hematologist who is directing the bone marrow transplant program, explained that bone marrow transplants offer one more hope in certain cases of aplastic anemia and acute leukemia when all other hope is gone. “It is not a miracle cure and the percentage rate by most standards would be considered slim. But a 50 per cent rate for patients with aplastic anemia, who would otherwise die, is gratifying.”

Mechanically, the procedure is deceivingly simple. For any hope of success, however, the donor and recipient must be well matched. Identical twins are the only ideal subjects. In cases with no twin available, the donor must be a closely matched sibling of the recipient. Even then, the body’s defenses would attack the marrow as a foreign substance and the transplant would be rejected, or cause fatal graft-versus-host disease (in which the transplanted bone marrow rejects the recipient), without intensive treatment with immune suppressive agents.

At Barnes, patients with aplastic anemia will be given high dosages of cyclophosphamide intravenously for four days prior to transplantation. This can result in severe side effects including nausea and vomiting, loss of hair, sterility, bladder irritation, hemorrhage and, rarely, heart failure. Of course, this regimen also breaks down the barriers to the spread of organisms naturally present in the body and can lead to fatal infectious complications.

After the best donor is chosen by a complex method of antigen typing and matching, liquefied bone marrow is obtained by multiple (up to 80) needle aspirations of the ilium (hip bone). This is done in the operating room with the donor under general anesthesia. The procedure takes one to one and a half hours, and approximately 500 ml. of marrow is obtained. This is about the same amount as a unit of blood, and, to the naked eye, bone marrow in this state closely resembles blood.

The marrow is injected intravenously into the immune-suppressed recipient, where the stem cells in the fluid recognize their proper home and migrate to the patient’s bone.

The following three to four weeks are critical, and during this time up to ten per cent of patients die because of infections or bleeding complications secondary to the lack of white blood cells and platelets. Another ten per cent reject the transplant. A major difficulty occurs when the graft starts to grow. At that time, graft-versus-host disease develops in about 80 per cent of patients. Half of these patients will have the severe form and half of these will die (20 per cent of the total). Until recently severe graft-versus-host disease frequently resulted in death, but the use of antilymphocyte serum has improved the outcome.

About 50 per cent of the patients with aplastic anemia treated by bone marrow transplant will be completely cured. “For patients with severe aplastic anemia with a suitable donor, marrow transplant has the best outcome of any procedure available,” Dr. Herzig points out.

In patients with leukemia, graft-versus-host disease can be to the patient’s benefit, as it attacks tumor cells as well as normal cells. Extremely high doses of immune-suppressive agents and anti-tumor drugs that destroy the bone marrow can be given to patients, who then undergo bone marrow transplants to replace their inadequate bone marrow and immune system with a new one. Twenty per cent of these patients have total remission of their disease and can lead an entirely normal life. “This may sound like a small percentage,” Dr. Herzig says, “but the cure rate for this group of patients is virtually zero without the transplant.”

Dr. Herzig plans to work with autografts also—where the patient’s own marrow is obtained and stored when his disease is in remission so that it will be available when an otherwise untreatable relapse occurs. “In chronic myelocytic leukemia, the disease is relatively mild for a number of years, then suddenly progresses into the acute stage. Conceivably, stored bone marrow could be used successfully in these patients as well.”

Dr. Herzig expects to perform about 24 bone marrow transplants a year at Barnes eventually, and half of these will be autografts. Barnes may become a referral center for this procedure for patients throughout the middle west. Aplastic anemia is a rare disease. Without referral an average of three patients a year with the severe form are seen at Barnes.

Leukemia is a more common disease, but relatively few of these patients can be treated by bone marrow transplants. For those few, however, the procedure may offer a new life.
Board votes changes in medical staff by-laws

The increased membership includes additional representation for house staff from various hospital services. The board of directors voted on a recommendation from the MAC.

Eligible for membership on the Medical Advisory Committee are house staff representatives from anesthesiology, medicine (including dermatology), surgery (including all surgical sub-specialties), radiology, pathology (excluding surgical pathology), obstetrics-gynecology, neurosurgery, neurology, psychiatry, otorhinolaryngology and ophthalmology.

Each of the representatives must have completed at least one year of training at Barnes Hospital and have been elected by his peers within his service. The representatives will serve for one-year periods.

Prior to the change, the house staff was represented on the Medical Advisory Committee by the chairman of the house staff liaison committee. (The name of the committee was changed from the Joint Medical Advisory Committee in 1974).

Dr. Ronald Evens, radiologist-in-chief and chairman of the MAC, said the purpose of the committee is to recommend to the directors qualified applicants for medical staff privileges and to advise them about matters of patient care and health policies; to ensure that all patients admitted to Barnes or treated in the out-patient services receive appropriate care; to establish and maintain rules and regulations for the professional conduct of the medical staff; to ensure the development and maintenance of highest standards in medical education; and to provide a fair and impartial means whereby issues of medical administrative nature may be resolved.

Barnes to participate in state health program

Barnes Hospital is one of several hospitals in Missouri who are participating in a new state program of maternal and child health care designed to prevent mental retardation.

The program is designed to provide special medical care for pregnant women who have complicating conditions that may lead to premature birth, which in as many as half the cases can cause mental retardation in the newborn infants. Under the program, the state will pay medical costs for the care of the women and infants in families that are unable to afford the cost.

Missouri Governor Christopher S. Bond, speaking in September in the medical center’s Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, said the program is expected to bring about a new era in health care in the state. “The Maternal and Child Health care program is an important part of our effort to look to innovative preventive programs.”

Barnes participation will include the high-risk pregnancy program of the hospital’s department of obstetrics-gynecology and St. Louis Children’s Hospital will provide follow-up intensive care for infants. Dr. Richard Marshall, Barnes pediatrician, is vice chairman of the pediatric committee of the program.

Barnes Hospital reports final United Way figures

Barnes Hospital has reported final figures totaling approximately $55,500 to the United Way as a result of the campaign held recently at Barnes. Rich Grisham, associate director of hospital services and coordinator of the United Way campaign, said the figure represents an increase over funds raised last year. This year’s goal was $52,000.

“We can all be proud that we have done our part in making the United Way campaign at Barnes and throughout the St. Louis area a successful one,” Mr. Grisham said. The area-wide campaign exceeded its goal of $16,250,000.

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Director is named for nursing education

Rusti Moore, a native of North Carolina and former assistant director of nursing at Missouri Baptist Hospital, has been named assistant director of nursing for education at Barnes.

Ms. Moore, who is currently serving as president of the Greater St. Louis Society for Health, Education and Training, will be directing the work of the nursing service’s education division and its 12 instructors at Barnes. She joined the staff in early November.

She holds her bachelor’s degree in nursing from Duke University and recently completed work for her master’s degree in education at Washington University-Maryville.

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Unique Christmas gifts for those who want different gifts for someone special

Christmas lights are featured at an area shopping center.

Santa's got a new bag

As the newspaper counts off the dwindling number of shopping days left until Christmas, a feeling akin to panic begins to grip those timid souls who once again failed to honor their New Year's resolution to shop early. With the sands of time fast flowing through Santa's hour glass, gift ideas maliciously evade us.

Aunt Minnie already has a houseful of plants, the girl across the office is on a diet and wouldn't welcome a box of chocolates, Suzie isn't old enough to take care of a puppy, and an engagement ring may be taking things a bit too far too soon.

The perfect gift for Aunt Minnie, or anyone else who is the parent of numerous plants, is a new 33 RPM recording of classical music titled, "Music for Your Plants." Scientific experiments have shown that plants respond to the soothing strains of Bach or Beethoven. (The same research indicated that flora responded reasonably well to popular music, but sickened and died when bombarded with hard rock.)

Puppies and kittens are still available from the animal protective agencies, but a wonderful new pet has been added to the scene: the pet rock.

The pet rock, complete with carrying case . . . can roll over and play dead.

Numerous complaints to the North Pole Society, followed by an investigation by a special Senate subcommittee, have resulted in a massive revision of Mr. Claus's Christmas cache.

Karen Cizek of the dietetics office warily examines a box containing a Pet Rock, a gift for persons who do not like more conventional pets such as dogs and cats.

For those who already have a pet—a mouse in this case—a cozy mouse house is available. It comes in two styles: the country mouse house and the city mouse house. Both are three floors, and completely furnished with everything but a kitten.
For a liberated precocious preschooler, male or female, the latest idea in dolls is one that not only grows taller and gets older, but also, naturally, develops breasts.

An indispensable gift for gourmets or food nuts is a personal peanut butter machine which turns peanuts into peanut butter right before your eyes. It produces a half pound at a time, without use of any salts or fats.

**Mood ring changes colors to reveal wearer’s true feelings.**

Anyone receiving the peanut butter machine would probably soon need a Calcuweightor. This handy scale for anyone who is battling the bulge measures food in ounces, grams, and calories.

De Wijnpipe, or more simply the “wine pipe” is one of the oldest known styles of pipes and is popular in Holland and other wine producing countries. The special feature of this pipe is a cavity beneath the bowl. Connoisseurs pour a little wine into this space, giving the tobacco an especially intoxicating aroma.

Santa has borrowed the Rings of Saturn to produce the most intimate jewelry ever. A perfect gift for spouse or special friend, the stone is so sensitive to the wearer’s moods, attitudes, and anxieties that it changes colors to reveal one’s innermost private feelings. The ideal substitute for ESP.

Santa has responded to recent disclosures that only one per cent of the nation’s 17-year-olds can balance a checkbook and that remedial reading at the grade school level is required in most colleges. For math students there is the calculator ballpoint pen. This little gem will fool most teachers, who will regard the battery-operated math wizard as a simple writing tool. It adds, multiplies, divides and subtracts for anyone who can’t.

For parents (and any schools interested) who want to get Johnnie back to the basics, a publisher has reprinted the complete series of McGuffey Readers. McGuffey was the standard reading textbook in American schools from 1870 until it was replaced by the progressive Dick and Jane series.

For those who want to turn over a clean new leaf, there is a handsomely bound book of completely blank pages, on which one may write his own story—or a Christmas list for 1976.
On-line computer to be added to purchasing areas

An on-line computer system, expected to be installed by the end of the year, will provide a closer control of purchasing and inventory of hospital supplies. The system, completed with cathode ray tube (CRT) screens will be used to provide instant checks on the entire purchasing process, from purchase order to delivery and storage according to Walter Schatz, hospital purchasing agent.

"What we have had is a computer printout based on a check of the inventory at a given time," Mr. Schatz said. "The printout was accurate at the time the check was made but our turnover of supplies is so rapid that the printout is quickly outdated. The new system will instantly provide us with current information."

Mr. Schatz said the new system should be able to reduce the amount of in-house inventory, desirable because of limited storage areas for supplies, and will maximize the availability of timely information required in purchasing planning.

Part of the planning which has gone into utilizing the new computer system is a review of historical data to determine the rate of use of each item. Mr. Schatz said that the computer will be able to store the information so that purchasing personnel can easily see the history of usage. This information would be valuable when notification arrives of pending price increases or when a strike or strike possibility exists with any of the many hospital vendors.

The recent combining of the receiving and stores area has resulted in more flexibility, according to Don McGeehan, manager of the new supply area. He said that the new computer programming will mean more effective operations in the receiving and storage areas. "We are able to be more efficient in the storing of our supplies and in their delivery to all parts of the medical center complex," he noted. Mr. McGeehan said that approximately 1,400 separate items are on hand in the supply inventory, and that number should grow when the computer system is put on-line. "When we have the assistance that the system will provide, we should be able to add some items which up to now we have not had the capacity to handle."

He said that the most commonly used products are paper items including cups, paper towels and toilet paper in addition to medical-surgical items. In an average month 700,000 individual items are issued by supply.

"We are living in a world of computers and Barnes has one of the top computer and data processing systems in the hospital field," Mr. Schatz said. "We hope to take advantage of this resource to bring our purchasing system to the point purchasing personnel can spend more time in advance planning.

"In the past several years the whole field of purchasing has changed drastically as economic conditions have changed and shortages of some items have occurred. We feel that this change will enable us to keep the hospital supplied with the items which it needs to continue providing the quality of care which is available at Barnes."

Army dietitian wins Copher Award

A retired U.S. Army Colonel is the 1975 recipient of the Marjorie Hulsizer Copher Memorial Award, the highest honor given by the American Dietetics Association (ADA). The award was presented to Col. Katherine Elizabeth Manchester during a meeting in San Antonio, Tex. She is the 31st recipient of the award.

Col. Manchester, a native of Illinois and a resident of Washington, D.C., has been the driving force behind most of the army’s dietetic programs according to Doris Canada, director of dietetics at Barnes, who presented the award. Col. Manchester organized the food service at Ft. Leonard Wood in Missouri.

The Copher Award is presented annually and was established by Dr. Glover Copher, a long-time member of the Barnes staff, in memory of his wife, a dietitian emeritus of Barnes. Chapters of the ADA make suggestions for award recipients and the ADA board selects the recipient of the plaque and monetary award. The award fund is administered by Barnes.

Col. Manchester is a past president of the ADA and has served as chief of the food service at Walter Reed Army Hospital near Washington, D.C. She also served on a review board to improve the army’s food service and traveled extensively to military bases throughout the world.

Two retirees are honored by Barnes

Two Barnes employees, who have a total of more than 42 years of service to the hospital, recently retired and were honored with Certificates of Appreciation presented by hospital President Robert E. Frank. They are Eli Roberts, a technician in surgical pathology laboratories, and Esther Yates, a nurse assistant.

Mr. Roberts joined the housekeeping department at Barnes in 1959 and worked in the surgical pathology laboratory area. Because of his interest in the work in the laboratory he was later trained to become a technician.

Prior to his retirement he was the guest at a party given by co-employees in the laboratory. He was presented with gifts including a camera and travel bag which he intends to use quickly during visits to children and relatives in Birmingham, Ala.; Brooklyn, N.Y.; and Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. Roberts and his wife have three children and three grandchildren. In addition to traveling, he plans to expand his garden and to catch up on work on his house.

Mrs. Yates, a native of the St. Louis area, will soon be moving to a new home in Heber Springs, Ark., with her husband. She began work at Barnes in 1958 after moving back to St. Louis from the state of Washington.

Mrs. Yates said she and her husband plan to spend much of their time fishing, riding bicycles and "enjoying Arkansas." She said that she had enjoyed all of the time she had worked at Barnes and will miss the people she knows here. "I'd do it over again in a minute," she said.

Two employes die

Bennie Young, a laundry worker at Barnes for almost 23 years, died Oct. 28 following a brief illness. He had been hospitalized for one week.

Mr. Young, 62, had been employed at Barnes since 1952 and had responsibility for picking up soiled laundry from the laundry chutes in the hospital. He also delivered laundry items to Queeny Tower. He is survived by his wife and four children.

Funeral services were held in Ellis Funeral Home and burial was in Oakdale Cemetery.

Freddie Wilson, an employee in the dining room in Queeny Tower since 1968, died Nov. 16 at Barnes of cancer. Mrs. Wilson, 47, had been hospitalized for approximately three weeks.

Mrs. Wilson was a food checker and a dining room cashier and had previously worked at the Lenox Hotel in St. Louis. A sister, Norvella Drane, is a room service attendant at Barnes.

She is also survived by two sons and two daughters. Burial was Nov. 21 at Covington, Tenn.
The following is a list of honorees (names in boldface) and contributors to the Barnes Hospital Tribute Fund from Oct. 16 to Nov. 21, 1975.

IN MEMORY OF:

Arthur Moore
Nearly New Shop Staff
Knitting Group (Betty Carter)

Sam C. Ezell
Nearly New Shop Staff

Mrs. Margaret T. Thomas
Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Pollnow, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. James P. Hickok
Dr. and Mrs. Henry G. Schwartz

Mr. Elmer Hollenbeck
Mrs. H. R. Hildreth

Jim Finley
Vivian and Bill Gruetzemacher
Mr. and Mrs. William Ceretta
Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Marks
Mrs. Ethel Just

Louis Roberts
Gloria Dehn

Hannah Reynolds
Miss Fan R. Krause

Edward Vigus
Thursday Group of Volunteers

Charles Edward Gilliland
Mrs. Harold Anderson

Harry Wuertenbaecher
Howard Elliott

Ruth Saer
Helen and Dick Thomas

Dr. Bernard Friedman
Dr. Burford
Dr. Ferguson
Dr. Roper

Lisa Weiss
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wroten

Colonel John G. Moore
June and Charles Swartout

Mrs. J. W. N. Young

IN HONOR OF:

Recovery of Mrs. S. D. Soule
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Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Geller
Alice and Abraham Uchitelle

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Mallinckrodt installs EMI scanner

Dr. Charles Kilo, Barnes physician, was keynote speaker at a diabetes meeting held recently in Wichita, Kan. Dr. Kilo reviewed current research and treatment of the disease.

Two Barnes cancer treatment specialists recently presented a seminar in Evansville, Ind., on new advances in clinical cancer treatment. Speaking were Dr. George Hill, surgeon, and Dr. Carlos Perez, radiation oncologist.

Dr. Richard Clark, Barnes cardiothoracic surgeon, is chairman of the U.S. advisory group of the Heart Valve and Pacemaker working groups of the International Organization for Standards (IOS).

Barnes ophthalmologist Jack Hartstein recently served as moderator on an intraocular lens panel at a meeting of the Contact Lens Association of Ophthalmologists held in Dallas, Tex., and participated in a symposium on intraocular lenses at St. Vincent’s Hospital in New York City.

Dr. Donald Goodwin, Barnes psychiatrist, discussed the effects of heredity on alcoholism during the 10th annual meeting of the Washington State Council on Alcoholism at Everett, Wash.

Dr. E. James Anthony discussed the child as a psychiatrist patient at a recent St. Louis meeting of the American Academy of Child Psychiatry. Approximately 1500 psychiatrists attended the meeting.

Dr. Robert Bruce, Barnes physician, spoke on “Pulmonary Hygiene” at a meeting sponsored by the education division of the Barnes nursing service.

Dr. Walter F. Ballinger, surgeon-in-chief at Barnes, delivered the sixth Louis and Dorothy Kovitz visiting professorship lecture at Stanford University in October. Dr. Ballinger spoke on experimental transplantation of the islets of Langerhans for the control of diabetes.

Control of high blood pressure was the topic of an address by Dr. Mitchell Perry, Barnes physician, at a meeting of physicians at a symposium in Orlando, Fla. Dr. Perry said that physicians may not be pushing hard enough to get their hypertensive patients to understand the importance of long-term drug therapy.

Dr. Leslie Wise, Barnes surgeon, has been named chairman of the surgery department at Long Island Jewish-Hillside Medical Center in Garden City, N.Y.

Dr. George Murphy, Barnes psychiatrist, recently spoke at a meeting of the staff of DePaul Hospital in New Orleans, La. Dr. Murphy was a visiting professor and spoke on depressive illness.

Dr. Burton Sobel, Barnes cardiologist, recently spoke on enzyme tests at a meeting of the Oregon Heart Association. Dr. Sobel said that tests enable physicians to determine how extensive a heart attack is going to be before it is completed.

Hand injury seminar held in St. Louis

“Management of Acute Hand Injuries” was the title of a seminar held in September at Stouffer’s Riverfront Inn. Sponsored by the educational foundation of the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons, it was coordinated by Dr. Paul M. Weeks, Barnes Hospital’s plastic surgeon-in-chief.

In addition to Dr. Weeks, other program participants were Dr. R. C. Wray, assistant plastic surgeon at Barnes Hospital and Barbara Reynolds, fourth-year student at Washington University School of Medicine.

Surgeons from other areas who spoke on treatment of hand injuries were Dr. Raymond Curtis, associate professor of plastic surgery at Johns Hopkins; and Dr. William Grabb, associate professor of plastic surgery at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

Among the other doctors on the program were Dr. Frank McCue, associate professor of orthopedic surgery at the University of Virginia Hospital; and Dr. Morton Spinner, associate clinical professor of orthopedic surgery at the Albert Einstein Institute.
Physician receives grant to study sudden death

Dr. G. Charles Oliver, Barnes physician, has received a three-year grant from the National Heart and Lung Institute for $287,169 to continue research on sudden death, which Dr. Oliver believes is caused by ventricular fibrillation of the heart.

Ventricular fibrillation occurs when the heart's rhythm changes from its normal beat to extremely rapid, irregular and ineffectual contractions which are unable to pump blood to the body.

Hospital happenings

Cynthia Mantz, nurse oncologist in the department of surgery, was a member of the faculty for a nurses conference held at Decatur (Ill.) Memorial Hospital. The conference focused on cancer in women.

Barnes President Robert E. Frank and Dr. Richard Bradley, Barnes surgeon, were recent guests on the KMOX Radio "At Your Service" program discussing the reasons for the increasing costs of health care and hospitalization.

Kathy McClusky, director of clinical dietetics and education, has been elected to a one-year term as president of the Missouri Dietetic Association.

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Blood donations will be taken by the Red Cross Bloodmobile during a visit to Barnes Dec. 29. Hours of collection are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Room 228 in the Nurses Residence.