Judge Robert Otto dies; emeritus board member

Robert W. Otto, former Missouri attorney general and a justice on the state Supreme Court, died at Barnes May 2 following a brief illness. He was an emeritus member of the Barnes board of directors and had served as chairman of the board.

Judge Otto was elected to the Barnes board in 1956 and became an emeritus member in 1972. He served as chairman of the board during part of 1969.

A former chief executive of Laclede Gas Co., Judge Otto was a native of Washington, Mo., and became attorney general of the state in 1925. It is believed that he was the youngest attorney general in the state's history. He was later named to the Missouri Supreme Court.

He became general counsel for Laclede Gas in 1932 and was elected president of the company in 1947, a position he held until 1968. Then he was named emeritus director of the company in 1974. During his 42 years with Laclede Gas, he also served as chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

In addition to serving Barnes Hospital, Judge Otto also was on the boards of directors of the Missouri Pacific Lines, Boatmen's National Bank, the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association, the Boy Scouts of America, Civic Progress, and Downtown St. Louis, Inc.

At its May meeting the Barnes board adopted a resolution of tribute to honor Judge Otto for his service to the hospital.

Judge Otto is survived by his wife, Mrs. Katrine Dallmeyer Otto; two sons, a brother and seven grandchildren. Funeral services were held at Lupton Chapel and burial was in Riverview Cemetery at Jefferson City.
Although disagreeing with the federal legislation now before Congress, Mr. Frank said he favors efforts to limit the increasing cost of health care. He cited health insurance and bed supply as areas which directly affect increased costs.

"I think there is a very real need today for people to become involved in directly paying a portion of their hospital bill," Mr. Frank said. "Under our present system the third party payer, whether it be private or federal, pays for almost the entire hospital bill. I would favor a system in which patients pay some amount of their bill. If this were the case today people would think twice before they seek medical attention for relatively minor medical problems, and they would be more concerned about services and cost. This would help contain the cost of being sick.

"Our present system, although there are many good aspects to it, is somewhat like a one-price buffet. People take some of everything because it is already paid for beforehand. They probably take more than if they were purchasing food on an a la carte basis," Mr. Frank said.

"Like the buffet, our system of hospital insurance encourages patients to use all parts of the system, leading to overutilization of health facilities. However, if the patient would pay part of the total bill on an out-of-pocket basis, his or her demands would change along with what is expected of the health care industry." (An estimated 183 million Americans have some form of hospitalization insurance.)

Mr. Frank also said that planning agencies are needed to better coordinate the availability of health care without duplication of facilities, leading to empty beds which must be paid for even though unoccupied.

He said, "Surplus beds play an important part in the total health cost picture and an important reason for overbedding is population shifts. There were many applications to build or expand hospitals in the West County area as the population shifted westward in recent years. It is difficult, however, to convince people that they do not need a hospital in their backyard."

He said a better situation would be to utilize as many of the serviceable beds as possible—because they are already there—while at the same time providing first aid or emergency life-support stations throughout the country so that everyone has equal access to medical facilities.

ARCH was recently disbanded and a new group, Health Systems Agency, is now in operation in the greater St. Louis area. Commonly called the HSA, the agency reviews applications for construction and expansion but has limited power because of the lack of a state 1122 program.

Missouri no longer has a comprehensive health planning agency, primarily because funds for its operation were eliminated last year from the state's budget. (Missouri is one of only two states —West Virginia is the second—which does not have a state planning agency or regulations to coordinate and review capital expenditures.)

Ironically, another major factor contributing to overbedding and duplication of facilities is the government itself. Through the Hill-Burton Act, the government provided funds to help build hospital facilities. "As a result," Mr. Frank said, "many hospitals were built in areas where they could not adequately be staffed with physicians or health personnel."

In responding to a caller who asked why federal hospitals are not included in the current legislation, Mr. Frank said the question was interesting because "government hospitals, in the last three years, have been increasing at a higher rate than the average of all hospitals in their cost of operation.

"I think what this says is that the government has not been any more successful, or as successful, in cost containment in its hospitals compared with the private sector."

Mr. Frank also urged all those with thoughts on the federal legislation to contact their Congressmen, regardless of whether or not they favor the revenue limitation bill.

Dr. Thomas Burford dies, was cardiothoracic surgeon

Dr. Thomas Burford, internationally-known cardiothoracic surgeon and cardiothoracic surgeon-in-chief at Barnes from 1951-68, died at the hospital May 17 following an extended illness.

He had been a member of the Barnes staff since 1946 and held the position of professor of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at Washington University School of Medicine. He was a graduate of Yale University Medical School and served his chest residency from 1937-39.

A native of New Franklin, Mo., Dr. Burford trained under the late Dr. Evarts Graham, known as the father of modern chest surgery. Dr. Graham was the first surgeon to successfully remove a lung for the treatment of cancer.

Dr. Burford entered military service shortly after Pearl Harbor. He was attached to the Second Auxiliary Surgical Group in the Mediterranean theatre and was awarded the Legion of Merit for his "remarkable contributions to the advancement of thoracic surgery in the management of war wounds of the chest." A sharp decrease in the number of permanently disabling chest injuries was attributed to Dr. Burford's "bold and imaginative" surgery.

Joining Dr. Graham following the war, Dr. Burford was the first to demonstrate that operating on newborn infants with congenital narrowing of the outflow artery of the heart was safer than waiting until children were older. He also was instrumental in bringing the first heart-lung machine to Barnes.

Among the many honors Dr. Burford cherished was an endowment lectureship established in his name at Washington University School of Medicine in 1971. The lecture is given annually by noted cardiothoracic surgeon, Dr. Michael D. Bakey of Houston gave the first lecture, in 1971.

Dr. Burford was a founding member of the Board of Thoracic Surgery, founding member and president of the Society of Thoracic Surgery, and recently president of the American Association of Thoracic Surgeons. For years he was associate editor of The Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery.

Fred Scheder has been named assistant director of plant engineering.

He is survived by his wife, Louise Miller Burford; a son, James; a daughter, Mrs. W. D. Neidinghaus Jr. and two grandchildren, all of St. Louis. Funeral services were held in Lupton Chapel on May 20, 1977, with Dr. Henry Schwartz delivering the eulogy.

Architect joins staff of plant engineering

Frederick Scheder, a licensed architect, has joined the Barnes staff as assistant director of plant engineering according to an announcement by Thomas Winston, vice president.

Mr. Scheder is a native of the New York-New Jersey area and holds the bachelor of architecture degree from Syracuse (N.Y.) University. Most recently he was engineering supervisor in the division of operations of the St. Louis County Public Works department.

He joins Don Braeutigam as assistant director of plant engineering with Mr. Braeutigam continuing to serve as chief engineer for the hospital.

Mr. Scheder is a licensed architect in several states including Missouri and holds the National Council of Architecture Board Certificate. For several years he worked in Columbia, Mo., and also had his own architectural firm in St. Louis prior to accepting the position with St. Louis County.

He will have primary responsibilities for renovation work, the rotating maintenance program, tool crib supervision and will serve as a liaison between the soon-to-be selected West Pavilion contractor and the hospital.

"I have been impressed by the diversity of people and facilities I have seen at Barnes," Mr. Scheder said. "I think one of the most challenging aspects of my new job will be to coordinate the many elements involved in it."

Mr. Scheder and his wife, Jeanne, have four children and live in West St. Louis County. His hobbies include cinematography ("My house has film everywhere") and playing the trumpet.
Students attend lab open house

Approximately 35 students and instructors from medical technology programs at area schools and hospitals recently attended an open house in the diagnostic laboratories at Barnes Hospital.

Students toured the laboratory areas and met with supervisors, directors and hospital administrators. Dr. Leonard Jarett, director of laboratories, said the students had the opportunity to view the Barnes facilities and interested students were able to make application for future employment.

Jeanne Weidner, laboratory instructor and coordinator of the department’s continuing education program, planned the activities and presented a slide show about Barnes.

Students participating represented the University of Missouri-Columbia, St. John’s Mercy Hospital, St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville, Lindenwood College, Southern Illinois University and St. Louis University.

Crabtree is selected officer of the year

Clyde Crabtree has been named security officer of the year by his fellow workers. “The honor reflects that you’re doing a good job and that everybody likes you,” Officer Crabtree explained proudly, adding that he has always tried to master any task so well that no one could do it better. “I get enjoyment from working that way; I try to make it perfect so I can be proud of myself.”

Officer Crabtree began work as a driver in Barnes security department more than 10 years ago and says he has worked all over the hospital and has had an opportunity to meet many people from almost every department. He has also seen the hospital grow in the past decade.

One of his major responsibilities is to make three round trips to the post office each day, picking up and delivering mail for both Barnes and Washington University Medical School. When he started work at Barnes in 1966, he remembers that there were only three or four bags of mail a trip. Now a day’s outgoing mail runs to 40 or 50 bags besides parcel post.

“And it continues to grow,” he said. “I also take the meter machine in to have it set. That used to be $500 and now it is necessary to make it $5,000. Where we used to purchase $200 worth of stamps, now we are getting $1,300 worth to keep from having to buy stamps several times a week.”

In nurse practitioner training

Carole Ellis, a graduate of the Barnes School of Nursing, has been accepted in an 18-month intensive course in clinical work at Davis Medical School of the University of California in preparation for becoming a nurse practitioner.
Cindy Wiwczaroski believes in a common sense approach to education.

Education—planning for success

As Barnes employees who are parents of teenage children are well aware, the job market for young people graduating from high school or college, is extremely tight today. Employers have a wide range of applicants to choose from and it is the one who in some way stands out above the rest who is successful in finding a job. There are a number of ways parents can help prepare their youngsters to enter the job market and it is never too early to begin.

Shirley Meister files applications for a job. A recent advertisement in a St. Louis paper resulted in 250 applications for one job.

Bill Montgomery, administrative assistant in Barnes personnel department, thinks preparation must begin in junior high school. “I firmly believe that all students, regardless of what they may think their capabilities are, should take all the math, science and English courses they can in junior high and high school and they should participate in national testing programs to find out their potential. The most important thing is not to get through school easily, but to learn one’s capabilities.”

Mr. Montgomery, who used to devote some time visiting junior high schools to discuss health care careers and job preparation in general, points out it is unrealistic to expect 13 or 14 year olds to know what they want to do with their lives. “They should obtain the basic preparation that will give them the freedom to choose whatever appeals to them by the time they are 18 or 19 or even older. To do this they must take the tough courses in school. What good is a 4.0 average if you don’t learn anything and are not prepared for college should you decide to pursue that route?”

Mr. Montgomery said counseling is a job for parents, not just the schools. “But too often parents don’t know what courses kids are taking or what credits they are earning.” He agrees with the reports published recently that high school graduation requirements are so low that many graduates are functional illiterates while their parents pre-
Cynthia Wiwczaroski, a recent high school graduate who is now working in medical records, agrees that not enough is required in high school. "You have to have a year of some kind of math and a year of English, then you are on your own. It's up to the student to realize that he will need more than that. It's a shame if you're a senior and then decide you want to go to college. Most of the time you will be unprepared."

Cindy said she made sure she was prepared because she eventually wants to be a doctor. "But it was really my parents who were Number 1 in teaching me how to handle myself and guiding me so that I was prepared for what I want to do."

Cindy was also farsighted. She prepared herself for work to do temporarily while earning her MD. She took clerical courses including shorthand and typing, so that she would have a marketable skill to offer employers. That is the type of preparation that both Mr. Montgomery and John Tighe, employment manager, heartily endorse. "If you don't come out of school technically qualified to do a job, you won't find a job. On the other hand, if you can offer something, you will get a job," Mr. Montgomery said.

Mr. Tighe emphasizes the necessity of taking shorthand if one expects to qualify for secretarial work. "Too often students are counseled that that was not true of their parents' generation is that most offices use dictating equipment and shorthand is obsolete. Yet in the real world, the applicant who gets the job is the one who can take dictation should that be needed. And everyone needs to learn how to add and subtract. You have to learn the basics, then anything that will technically prepare you for a job."

Once a young person is ready to look for a job, other factors enter into the picture. Mr. Tighe said few applicants have had any training in shorthand. Applicants get permanent jobs on graduation. Part time jobs during high school often help applicants get permanent jobs on graduation. Having outside interests and showing initiative or attitude, deportment and interest in the job one is applying for are also considered. Cindy said the point stressed most in practice interviews in school was selling oneself. Equally important is cleanliness of body, hair and breath, and the wise applicant will refrain from smoking during an interview even if a cigarette is offered.

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Security officer Greg Howell explains operation of medical center ambulance to Madison School students.

Students visit hospital, learn about ambulance

Three 7th-grade students from Madison Magnet School in St. Louis recently received a first-hand look at the medical center’s ambulance and learned about the work of ambulance drivers from Barnes’ security personnel.

Roland Norton, one of the three students, wrote a letter to Bill Burkett, security director at Barnes, requesting information on driving ambulances as part of a class project on careers. The three students and their teacher, Dennis Malone, were invited to inspect the ambulance and talk with security officers about how ambulance equipment operates and how a person becomes an ambulance driver.

Assisting in the tour were Lt. Betty Falkenberg, officer Greg Howell and department secretary Pam Lenhoff. Most of Barnes security officers are trained ambulance drivers and all officers have training in emergency first-aid procedures. (The medical center ambulance is used to transport patients and does not operate as a commercial ambulance.)

The students asked questions regarding vehicle operation and maintenance. They also showed a practical approach to the situation asking, “How much does an ambulance driver get paid?”

Sandra Duchon promoted

Sandra Duchon, administrative secretary in the purchasing department for four years, has been promoted to buyer according to Don Tethhorst, director of purchasing.

Miss Duchon, a native of St. Louis, attended Cleveland High School and Meramec Community College. She joined the Barnes staff in 1972.

As a buyer, Miss Duchon has many responsibilities for ordering items, including those used in plant engineering and is to help coordinate the use of the upcoming CRT purchasing system.

Doctors’ Notes

Dr. William Daughaday, director of the metabolism department, is a recipient of a 1977 award for Distinguished Achievement from Modern Medicine magazine. Dr. Daughaday received the award for his “keen observations of basic hormonal activity, notably growth hormone, and his development of clinically useful immunoassay techniques.” Among his major contributions, Dr. Daughaday established the presence of a specific corticosteroid-binding globulin in plasma and characterized the factors influencing its concentration.

Dr. George Wilkins, Jr., a pediatrician on the Barnes Hospital staff, has been elected president of the 13,000 member Illinois State Medical Society. Dr. Wilkins, who maintains an office in Granite City, also was re-elected an Illinois delegate to the American Medical Association. He is past president of the Tri-County and Madison County Medical Societies and former secretary-treasurer of the Central Illinois Pediatrics Society.

The President’s Office reports the following physicians on staff: Dr. Jacques Baenninger, assistant pathologist, effective July 1; Dr. Katherine DeSchrreyer, assistant surgical pathologist, effective July 1; Dr. Marc Wallack, assistant surgeon, effective July 1; Dr. Robert Hellman, assistant anesthesiologist, effective July 1; and Dr. Robert Perrillo, assistant physician, effective April 1.

Dr. Lawrence Gelb, Barnes physician, has received a $17,900 grant from the March of Dimes for a two-year study of the V-Z virus life cycle. The virus causes chicken pox and shingles and is suspected to cause congenital malformations and possibly cancer.

Dr. Alex Kaplan, a psychiatrist at Barnes, has been installed as president of the American Psychoanalytic Association. Dr. Kaplan has been treasurer of the association since 1971 and from 1965 to 1973 was medical director of the St. Louis Psychoanalytic Foundation.

The 25th annual Alpha Omega Alpha Lecture was recently presented by Dr. Ralph Feigin, Barnes pediatrician. He spoke on “What Do We Seek? How Should We Get There?”

Dr. Morton Swartz, chief of the infectious disease unit at Massachusetts General Hospital spoke on “Parameningeal Infections” as he delivered the first annual Carl Gayler Harford lecture. Dr. Harford is a Barnes physician specializing in infectious diseases.

Three Barnes surgeons have been elected to offices in the Missouri State Medical Association. Dr. James Stokes was elected treasurer, Dr. Richard Bradley was elected to the governing council and Dr. Richard Fallon was elected a councilor.

Three Barnes physicians have been awarded research grants by the Diabetic Children’s Welfare Association. Receiving grants were Dr. Julio Santiago, Dr. Philip Cryer and Dr. Alan Permutt.

Dr. Jack Harstein, Barnes ophthalmologist, recently taught courses on cataract surgery and lens implants in New York and Atlantic City. He also has been elected president-elect of the Contact Lens Association of Ophthalmologists, Inc.

Dr. Harvey Butcher, Jr., Barnes surgeon, received a Distinguished Alumni Award from Central Methodist College of Fayette, Mo., at the annual alumni day banquet held May 21.

Food coordinator retires from Barnes

Pat Dumler, food service coordinator at Barnes since 1957, retired May 1 following almost 20 years of service to the hospital.

Mrs. Dumler began work in what was then the Number Four building and worked with Doris Canada, now director of dietetics at Barnes. “I worked my way up in the department,” she said in noting the variety of responsibilities she had had.

A native of Liberal, Kan., Mrs. Dumler moved to St. Louis with her husband when he was transferred. She planned a career in nursing but changed to dietetics “when the opportunity came my way.” She plans to volunteer at Barnes along with travel to visit her daughter and five grandchildren.

She was honored with a party given by her co-workers and was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation by hospital President Robert E. Frank.

Joins public relations staff

Anne Albrecht, a native of St. Louis and a graduate of the University of Missouri School of Journalism, has joined the Barnes public relations staff as a staff writer.

Mrs. Albrecht most recently has been employed by Liguori Press Publications, Liguori, Mo., as assistant director of marketing. Previously she was public relations coordinator with Blue Cross in St. Louis.

As a member of the hospital’s staff, Mrs. Albrecht will assist in all aspects of the hospital’s communication programs and will write for Barnes Bulletin, Newsletter and hospital brochures. She also will assist with special events.
Tribute Fund

The following is a list of honorees (names in boldface) and contributors to the Barnes Hospital Tribute Fund from April 22 to May 23, 1977.

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Memorial Day tradition continued at cemetery

A Memorial Day tradition was continued in late May when memorial wreaths were placed on the graves of Robert A. Barnes, founder of the hospital, and Mrs. and Mrs. Edgar Queeny, major Barnes benefactors. The graves are located in Bellefontaine Cemetery.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

Anyone of us may become seriously ill or injured at any time. Should such misfortune occur, we want the very best medical care possible, regardless of cost. Money then is no object, which is the way it should be when our very lives are at stake.

President Jimmy Carter is doing a great dis-service to our nation’s fine hospitals with his inference that hospital costs are too high and must be held down. As a surgical patient last year in Barnes Hospital and currently serving as a volunteer worker in the St. Louis University Medical Center, it is my observation, based on 47 years of practical business experience, that these two institutions are giving, dollar for dollar, more value than any other business anywhere. I believe the same might be said of almost all other private hospitals in our country.

Speaking of volunteers, if it were not for their efforts medical costs might be even higher. In our nation about 37 million volunteers, not all medical of course, put in 17 billion hours each year.

Elmer N. Stuetzner
Graduating dietetic interns receive carnations from new interns during graduation ceremonies held recently in Queeny Tower.

Dietetic interns complete course

Ten dietetic interns completed their work at Barnes Hospital and were honored April 29 during ceremonies at the pool in Queeny Tower. Certificates and pins were presented by Doris Canada, director of dietetics, and Joseph Greco, associate director.

One of the ten, Mary Haynes from William Woods College in Fulton, Mo., will join the staff of the department as a clinical dietitian in Wohl Hospital.

Other graduates, and the schools they attended, are Margaret Carter, University of Missouri-Columbia; Joanne Green, University of Texas-Austin; Virginia Jorstad, University of Wisconsin-Menomonie; Kathleen Kreisch, Fontbonne College, St. Louis; Janice Julikowski, University of Rhode Island-Kingston; Janet Levihn, Ball State University, Muncie, Ind.; Debbie Osella, University of California-Davis, Sally Saban, College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, Minn.; and Susan Weil, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

The Barnes dietetic intern program is a concentrated program to give clinical dietetic training to graduates of college programs. It is generally recognized as one of the best courses in the country.

A new group of interns is now enrolled in the Barnes program.

Speaks at two meetings

Dr. Carlos Perez, director of the division of radiation oncology, recently spoke on “Psychological Aspects of Cancer and Radiation Therapy” at a New York symposium on psychosocial aspects of radiation therapy in cancer. He also spoke at a meeting in Texas on “Mechanisms of Failure in Cervical Carcinoma with Invasion of the Endometrium.”