FRANK PHILLIPS
1873-1950

To FRANK PHILLIPS, industrialist and humanitarian, this issue of the HOSPITAL RECORD is respectfully dedicated.

Just outside the Chemistry Laboratory on the sixth floor of the Radiology Department is a plaque bearing the following inscription: "This Chemical Laboratory is equipped and maintained as a tribute to the public spirit, generosity, and scientific interest of Frank Phillips." Through this medium, everyone who enters the laboratory is reminded daily of the unselfish spirit of a great industrialist who used a large part of his fortune to establish the Frank Phillips Foundation, an institution founded with the objective, among other things, of "establishing, maintaining, conducting, assisting and endowing institutions engaged in the discovery, treatment, and cure of diseases." In 1944 Barnes Hospital and the Washington University Medical School were the recipients of a $75,000 grant donated by the Frank Phillips Foundation for the conduct of research on the causes and cures of headaches.

The death of Frank Phillips on August 23, 1950, marked the end of a Horatio Alger career of the most colorful variety. Starting as a barber in his home town of Creston, Iowa, Mr. Phillips progressed by means of hard work, shrewd investments, and admittedly a lot of luck, to the position as head of a $350,000,000 empire in the petroleum field.

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On November 13 the 1951 Community Chest Campaign will get underway officially with an all-time high of $5,044,090 as its goal. Barnes employees have always had a special interest in the success of this campaign since the hospitals and clinics in the Barnes group are member agencies of the Community Chest.

Everyone has a stake in the Community Chest, for the simple reason that everyone benefits from the work these agencies do. It would be hard to imagine a community without children’s homes, clinics, hospitals, neighborhood centers, summer camps, old folks’ homes, the “Y’s,” the Boy and Girl Scouts, and the innumerable other Red Feather Services.

The Community Chest idea is an economical one. Americans are too sensible and efficient to waste time and money by holding separate campaigns when the job can be done so much more efficiently in one big campaign. The Community Chest Campaign in St. Louis costs only about seven per cent of the money raised, while individual campaigns frequently cost up to twenty-five per cent of the money raised.

Member agencies of the Community Chest are asked to submit budgets of their total expenditures. These are carefully examined so that our community will receive the greatest possible amount of welfare service for every dollar spent. Through central budgeting of the one hundred Chest agencies, duplications and waste are avoided and new or modified services are offered to meet the changing needs of the times.

Everyone can be proud to wear the Red Feather, which, from coast to coast, has become the symbol of the generosity of the American people. Democracy is at its best in the Community Chest because all segments of our population both give and receive. In a Chest campaign one will find - working side by side - labor and management, Protestants, Jews and Catholics, Negroes and white persons. It might truly be said that the Community Chest is the American ideal in Action!

Employees will be informed at a later date of the manner in which their contributions may be made. Everyone is urged to make his contribution as liberal as possible.

If the knocking at the door is prolonged and unusually loud, it isn’t opportunity -- it’s relatives.
Born November 28, 1873, young Frank quit the old family homestead at the age of fourteen to make his own way in the world. He had always admired a young Creston barber who wore striped pants on Sunday; Frank wanted to wear them all the time. To attain this ideal, he became an apprentice barber, and eight years later, when he was twenty-two, he opened a six-chair parlor of his own. He then bought the other shops in town to form a monopoly and proceeded to operate his business in the spectacular, dramatic way which characterized his business dealings throughout his life. He, incidentally, liked and wore striped pants until the day he died.

The young barber's prosperity soon brought him to the attention of Creston's leading banker, one John Gibson. The latter invited Phillips to become his partner in a bond venture, an invitation which the young man accepted. He was successful to the extent of earning $75,000 in commissions for selling bonds and also of marrying the banker's daughter, Jane!

Exciting stories of the fabulous Oklahoma oil boom began to trickle into Creston. Soon Frank Phillips, with $75,000 in the pockets of his striped pants, was on a train, heading for the tent city of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. He bought a few leases and started to drill. The first well was dry. So was the second. In desperation, the former barber sank all his remaining funds, plus what he could borrow from his two brothers and the local bank, into a third well. It is a tribute to his farsightedness and courage to realize that at that time oil was selling for less than $.50 a barrel, and that Henry Ford was relatively unknown to the world at large! However, the former barber insisted that the oil business would be permanent in Bartlesville. The celebrated Phillips luck asserted itself at this time because his third well was a gusher - as were the next eighty wells he dug!

He and his brothers soon had so much money they decided to organize a bank of their own, starting the Citizens Bank and Trust Company. Soon after, they bought two other Bartlesville banks, merged the three and set Frank up as president. The banking business proved to be such a lucrative field that the Phillips brothers sold the greater part of their holdings to the Tidal Oil Company, retaining only a few leases that were not considered too valuable, and, for a time, concentrated on banking.

Not long after this, however, the United States entered World War I. Airplanes, tanks - mechanized equipment of all kinds - presented an unbelievable market for oil, the price of which soared to $4.00 per barrel. Once again the Phillips brothers were in the oil business! They organized the Lucinda Oil Company, named after their mother, and drilled on one of the "worthless" properties retained after their transaction with the Tidal Oil Company. In true Phillips fashion, the well was a gusher - one of the biggest ever seen in Oklahoma. A year later, the new oil company became the Phillips Petroleum Company with an authorized capital of $10,000,000. Ten years later the corporation was valued at $143,000,000.

Frank Phillips next turned his attention to refining and marketing. He built the chain of 1700 filling stations, familiar to all of us as the "Phillips 66" chain.

In 1937 he stepped down as president of the Phillips Petroleum Company, although he retained his post as chairman of the board, a job he resigned in 1949. He devoted his later years to many philanthropic enterprises, one of the most important of which was the aforementioned
GROUP HOSPITAL SERVICE, INC., ANNOUNCES INCREASE IN RATES AND BENEFITS

Group Hospital Service of St. Louis has announced increased rates and benefits effective January 1, 1951, for members of the Blue Cross hospital insurance plan.

The monthly dues of an individual member, without maternity benefits, will be $1.25 instead of the present $1.00. The charge for complete family protection including maternity benefits, now $2.00 per month, will be $2.65. Charges for sponsored members will increase from $1.00 to $1.25 each, with no maternity benefits allowed.

Two new service classifications will be set up. Under one, dues for an individual member with maternity benefits will be increased from $1.00 to $2.65 per month. A new schedule will be set up for an individual with one dependent, with no maternity benefits allowed.

Members now enrolled as individuals and under the 2-person membership will be protected for full maternity benefits for 9 months from January 1, 1951, to October 1, 1951, if member is in good standing at the date of hospitalization.

Under the new plan, the private room allowance will be increased to $6.00 per day; the maximum allowance for cash payments to non-member hospitals will be $7.00 per day for members and dependents. The maternity waiting period will be reduced from ten to nine months, and babies may be protected from birth.

Each Blue Cross member in the hospitals and clinics has received a card on which he is to indicate his choice of service under the new plan. If you have not already returned your card to your department head, please do so immediately, in order that the proper changes may be made on the hospital's records as well as the records in the main office of Group Hospital Service.

DR. DOUGLAS W. EASTWOOD ON STAFF

On October 1, Dr. DOUGLAS W. EASTWOOD arrived at Barnes to take charge of anesthesia and oxygen therapy. Dr. Eastwood comes to us from the University of Iowa where he had his training under Dr. STUART C. CULLEN. Until the recovery ward on the third floor is completed, Dr. Eastwood's office will be next to the old chapel on the third floor. It is the expectation to build up an effective section on anesthesia of the Department of Surgery with opportunities for the training of residents.

Miss HELEN LAMB will continue as Director of the Barnes Hospital School for Nurse Anesthetists, and the use of nurse anesthetists will be continued.

POST GRADUATE COURSE IN CARDIOLOGY

A three day post graduate course in Cardiology will be given at Barnes Hospital beginning on November 8. This is a part of the program of the division of post graduate studies of the Medical School in an attempt to help the general practitioner in the middle western area become familiar with newer techniques of diagnosis and treatment in the various medical and surgical specialties.

Approximately twenty-five physicians are scheduled to attend this course and will be with us during the three day period. Each enrollee in this and subsequent courses will be asked to wear an identification badge so that those of us working in the hospital can recognize them and help them feel at home. As usual, in this type of refresher course, a large percentage of the students will be old graduates of the Washington University School of Medicine.

Other refresher courses for general practitioners are scheduled throughout the year, the next to be in Dermatology, beginning on December 11.
CENIRAL SUPPLY - LIFE-LINE OF THE NURSING DEPARTMENT

Presided over by an energetic, enthusiastic young man named DILLON TRULOVE, the Central Supply Room, located on the ground floor of Barnes, is easily one of the busiest places in the hospital. The telephone rings almost continually with requests for diverse objects ranging from tiny tonsil sponges to monstrous iron lungs.

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DILLON TRULOVE, affable "Chief" in Central Supply, pauses long enough to demonstrate the packing of intricately folded gauze squares into a jar preparatory for sterilization.

Central Supply. However, in general, the primary work done in this department consists of making and sterilizing all dressings and solutions used on the nursing divisions, as well as supplying all equipment such as suction, oxygen tents, iron lungs, fracture supplies, etc., to the floors. The only way one can really appreciate the tremendous amount of work some of this entails is to watch the employees as they go through the intricacies of folding, refolding, treating, sterilizing and packing tiny dressings, some of which are no more than a quarter of an inch wide when completed!

Other essential jobs which are part of the daily routine in Central Supply include: the cleaning, sharpening, testing and treating of all needles used in the institution; the mending, powdering, testing and sterilizing of rubber gloves - as many as 400 pairs each day; the processing of some 500 syringes daily; setting up sterile trays for many different types of treatment; and the folding, wrapping and sterilizing of towels. The complexity of much of the work is evidenced in the fact that the aforementioned towels, as well as many other articles processed in Central Supply, are marked with an expiration date, after which they must be sterilized again if they have not been used as of that date.

Sixteen hours per day the sterilization process takes place in large autoclaves which, under steam pressure, sterilize and dry the goods so that they are usable after they come out.

There is an orderly pool in Central Supply on which the nursing divisions may draw at any time for assistance in such jobs as transporting patients, getting them up and down, and carrying out certain types of treatment within regular orderly jurisdiction.

Open twenty-four hours a day, seven days per week, the Central Supply Room, with its crew of twenty-four employees, performs a vital function in enabling the nursing department to continue the excellent patient care for which the Barnes group of hospitals has become renowned.

(More pictures of the Central Supply Room will be found on following page.)
WALTER BRADFORD, Orderly, prepares to deliver oxygen therapy equipment to a nursing division.

AGNES SEIGFREID (left) and NORMA OBERLY daily clean, sharpen, test and treat 1500 needles. Each needle is handled a total of 8 times.

An overall view of Central Supply showing a few of the employees busily engaged in processing the syringes which are used throughout the hospital. Some 500 of these syringes are prepared for use daily.

At one of the autoclaves, DORA PAYNE starts the sterilization process on a load of irrigating fluids which will be used on the floors and in the operating rooms.
KNOW YOUR STAFF

This month we welcome to our staff Miss MARIE BOLTON who came to the Barnes group in August to take up the reins as Assistant Director of Nurses at Maternity Hospital.

A native Missourian, Miss Bolton spent her earlier days in the southeastern part of the state - first in Sikeston and then in Parma where her parents still make their home. She laughingly recalls that when all the children were at home, her father never did stand a chance in any family controversy, being outnumbered by the feminine members five to one!

After attending Southeastern Missouri State Teachers' College at Cape Girardeau, Miss Bolton followed a career as school teacher for a number of years, teaching in the elementary school system down in the "boot heel." During this period she had been gradually building up an interest in nursing and in 1934 she entered nurses' training at City Hospital here in St. Louis.

City Hospital was to be her home for a good many years to come, because in 1937, upon completion of her training, Miss Bolton went on staff as a general duty nurse on the evening shift, attending Washington University in the mornings. Promotion came to her rapidly. After only four months as general duty nurse, she was given the job as head nurse in the new-born nursery.

By 1942 she had become assistant evening supervisor of nurses, and a year later, assistant director of nurses in charge of nursing service on the evening shift. It was in August of this year that she came to Maternity Hospital as Assistant Director of Nurses.

One of her biggest interests is the house and three and one half acres of land she owns out near San Bernadino, California. Vacation time usually finds her heading westward to spend a few weeks in her California abode. Reading is a favorite past-time and she is seldom without some kind of handwork, either crocheting or embroidering, to pick up in her spare moments. She has a very interesting collection of old cups, including some mustache cups of ancient vintage. She has no special pet peeves, feeling that most problems will solve themselves if given enough time.

She has found Barnes quite a change after sixteen years at City Hospital, but she claims that the change agrees with her, and that she is enjoying her new job immensely. We are very happy to welcome Miss Bolton to our staff and wish her much success in her new position.

And then there's the cannibal's daughter who liked the boys best when they were stewed.

Lecturer (in village hall): "Now you all know what a molecule is."

Chairman (interrupting): "Most of us do, but perhaps you'd better explain for the benefit of those who have never been up in one."
BARNES PERSONALITIES

Although both girls lived in Oslo, Norway, simultaneously for a number of years, it was not until they came to St. Louis that AAGOT BOHMER and MARGIT AAKER finally met. Aagot, who is a therapist in Physical Medicine, came to Barnes in February, just shortly after arriving in the United States, while Margit, a cashier in Barnes Accounting Office, became a member of the Barnes group in August, some three years after her arrival in the States. Almost any noon-time finds them lunching together, chatting away gaily in their native Norwegian.

The soft-spoken, charming Margit Aaker was born in Kongsberg about one hundred miles from Oslo. This is one of the skiing centers of the nation and she is quite proud of the fact that the town boasts a family with two olympic skiing champions. Margit likes to ski herself, and misses being able to participate in that sport over here.

She received her education in Norway, and claims that the Norwegian educational system is considerably different from ours. One of the most interesting features of the school system is the three year course in gymnasium required of all students who want to enter a higher school to train for some profession. However, contrary to the connotation given the word in English, “gymnasium” is actually a course of study quite similar to that found in our liberal arts colleges. Languages, including English, are taught in all levels of the school system, as is religion which is predominately Lutheran in Norway.

Margit came to the States to visit relatives with the intention of staying about one year, but now, three years later, she has no definite plans for returning to Norway. “I want to see San Francisco and New Orleans before I go home,” she admits.

Vivacious Aagot Bohmer hails from Rangsaker, located in the central part of Norway. Her Physical Therapy training was obtained in Oslo where she worked for several years upon completion of her training in a government-operated “institute,” a place similar to our outpatient clinic. Aagot set up her own institute in 1943 in the large village of Brumunddal. This modern clinic treated an average of fifty patients a day. An unmarried sister who is a registered nurse assumed the responsibility of the institute when Aagot came to America, and now has three therapists working for her.

The desire to travel and see the world is responsible for Aagot’s being in America. She came to St. Louis - and Barnes - at the recommendation of the Public Health Institute of New York. She has taken out her first citizenship papers and is quite happy in her new life except that she occasionally misses her large family over in Norway.

Both girls agree that the United States is larger than they had imagined it would be, and both were particularly impressed on their arrival by the “beautiful American women.” We all extend a great big American welcome to them and hope to see them around for a long time.
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Frank Phillips Foundation, through which the Washington University Medical School and Barnes Hospital received their $75,000 grant for the purpose of conducting research on the causes and cures of headaches.

At the presentation ceremony in which the plaque honoring Mr. Phillips was unveiled, late Mr. Frank C. Rand, at that time Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Barnes Hospital, described Mr. Phillips as "a successful business man who has used his economic power for the upbuilding of society." He went on to say that "The Frank Phillips Foundation of New York, donor of a $75,000 grant for the conduct of research on the causes and cures of headaches reflects the unselfish attitude of the man. Certainly we need a cure for the many headaches of the present moment! --- Barnes Hospital and Washington University are grateful to you for the support you have given; and this memorial will serve as a lasting expression of their appreciation."

A farmer, just arrived in town, was walking across the street and happened to notice a sign on a hardware store, "Cast Iron Sinks". He stood for a minute and then said, "Any fool knows that."

They doesn’t talk these days -- it goes without saying.

About the only thing a modern girl can cook as well as her mother is some man’s goose.

There’s no justice. If you make out your income tax correctly you go to the poorhouse. If you don’t, you go to jail.

When Mark Twain edited a newspaper in Missouri, one of his subscribers wrote him that he had found a spider in his paper and wished to know whether it meant good luck or bad. Twain replied: "Finding a spider in your paper is neither good luck nor bad. The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant was not advertising, so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever afterward!"

Professor - "Tell me one or two things about John Milton."
Student - "Well, he got married and he wrote 'Paradise Lost.' Then his wife died, and he wrote 'Paradise Regained.'"

Dorothy: "You promised me before we were married that you would never look at another woman."
Clarence: "But honey, I thought you understood it was only a campaign promise."

Elmer, age thirteen, was puzzled over the girl problem and discussed it with his pal, Joe. "I’ve walked to school with her three times," he told Joe, "and carried her books. I bought her ice cream sodas twice. Now do you think I ought to kiss her?" "Naw, you don’t need to," Joe decided, after a moment of deep thought. "You’ve done enough for that girl already."

Medical Professor- "What would you do in the case of a person eating poisonous mushrooms?"
Student- "Recommend a change of diet."

Policeman- "Where are you going in such a hurry?"
Student- "I just bought a new textbook and I am trying to get to class before it goes out of date."
ON THE SCENE

October 22 is the date set for the marriage of JOAN SELLENRICK, Barnes Accounting, to JAMES WENNEMANN. Three of her fellow employees, LIDA KERR, DELLA PURTLE, and GEN BEAUBIEN were hostesses at a bridal shower for Joanie recently. --- Mrs. CORNELIA S. KNOWLES, Associate Director of McMillan Hospital, spoke on the program of the American Psychiatric Association’s Second Mental Hospital Institute held October 18 at the St. Louis Medical Society Auditorium. Her subject was “The General Hospital’s Share in Meeting Total Psychiatric Needs.” --- Best wishes for much success go with RALPH HOLLERORTH, Auditor, when he leaves Barnes on October 28 to take up his new duties at Pennsylvania Hospital where he will install and supervise the I.B.M. department. --- SHIRLEY MAYOR, Psychiatric Secretary, is the proud possessor of a beautiful new engagement ring. --- Barnes Hospital was well represented at the National Convention of the American Dietetic Association held in Washington, D.C. from October 13 through 20. Among those who attended were HENRIETTA BECKER, Executive Dietitian, MARY JEAN LUIHT, Educational Director of the Dietary Department, and ANNETTE LONGINO, Clinic Dietitian. Miss Longino attended the convention as a delegate from Missouri. --- Barnes Credit Office is happy to welcome a new member to its ranks. She is MARY ADA ROATCH who will replace PAULINE KURTZ when she leaves us in November. --- ROSE GADESI, Tabulating Department, had a most exciting trip through the east which included a stop at Bridgeport, Connecticut, where she was a bridesmaid in her cousin’s wedding. --- The new dietitian is KATHLEEN LYTER who comes to Barnes from her internship at Duke University Hospital. --- The Southern Medical Association will hold its meeting on November 11 at Kiel Auditorium. --- REVEREND GEORGE BOWLES, Chaplain, has been invited to give the invocation. --- DR. and MRS. GUSTAVE J. DAMMIN became the parents of a baby daughter on September 22. The new arrival makes the third child in the Dammin household. --- BOB REBER was the first of the Accounting Office gang to be taken into the armed forces. His induction date was September 21. --- Among late vacationers were MADGE SPUDICH, Barnes Accounting, who visited New York and other eastern cities, and MARGE CLIFFORD, also of Barnes Accounting, who spent hers in Florida. --- New Orleans was the scene of MAE MARTIN’S vacation earlier this month. Mrs. Martin, who is Barnes Credit Manager, reports a marvelous time. --- CAROL HAFNER SHAFFER, Technician in the Bacteriology Lab, is back at work following her marriage to ROBERT SHAFFER on September 16. --- The new dietitian in the Main Kitchen is JANE HENRY who recently completed her dietary internship here at Barnes. --- DOROTHY and ESTHER KILLION, of McMillan Doctors’ Information and Barnes Record Library respectively, became celebrities in a small way recently when their pictures appeared in a local newspaper. They attended the first showing of the new Rembrandt newly acquired by the City Art Museum, and had their picture snapped while viewing the old masterpiece.

Gas Station Attendant (pointing to choke lever): “You say your car uses too much gas? Know what this is for?”

Woman (airily): “Oh, that--I never use it, so I keep it pulled out to hang my handbag on.”

Mary Jane, aged six, was looking at photographs of her parents’ wedding. Her father described the ceremony and tried to explain its meaning. Suddenly the light dawned. “Oh! Mary Jane exclaimed. ‘Is that when you got mother to come to work for us?”

Some folks have enough memory to recall to the tiniest detail what had happened to them, but not enough to remember how many times they’ve told it to the same person.