East Pavilion Construction Nears Half-Way Mark

Progress continues at the construction site of the new East Pavilion at Barnes as brick is being laid on several levels. When this photograph was taken during the week of March 8, structural concrete pourings had been completed for two sub-grade floors and eight floors above ground. The completed Pavilion will have 12 floors above ground and the two sub-grade levels. Completion is expected in the fall of 1972.

Lectureship Honors Dr. Thomas Burford, Surgeon at Barnes

An annual lecture to honor the career of surgeon Dr. Thomas H. Burford has been established at Washington University School of Medicine. The first lecture will be given by Dr. Michael E. DeBakey, chairman of the department of surgery and president of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. It will be at 4 p.m. May 27 in Clopton Auditorium at Barnes Hospital.

A native Missourian, Dr. Burford received a bachelor of arts degree in 1931 and a bachelor of science degree in medicine in 1933 from the University of Missouri. He served his surgical internship and residency at Barnes. In 1951 he was named chief of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at Barnes. Dr. Burford is a founding member of the Board of Thoracic Surgery and current president of the American Association for Thoracic Surgery. A past president of the Society of Thoracic Surgery, he has served as an associate editor of The Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery.

Funds for the lectureship were provided by friends and former patients of Dr. Burford.

Anesthesiologist Plans Resident Training

Dr. Charles R. Stephen, new anesthesiologist-in-chief at Barnes since March 1, already is assessing his department’s strengths and deficiencies and he believes his main tasks are: 1) the immediate recruitment of competent physicians to the Barnes’ staff and faculty at the Washington University School of Medicine and 2) the establishment of a residency training program for anesthesiologists.

Prior to Dr. Stephen’s joint appointment by Barnes and Washington University, there never had been a department of anesthesiology at W. U. School of Medicine. In fact, no formal resident training programs in anesthesia exist anywhere in St. Louis.

One of the reasons why Dr. Stephen is anxious to establish a resident training program is to help handle the “tremendous volume of clinical work that goes on daily at Barnes, involving about 90 patients. ‘The heavy patient workload could be handled more easily and quickly with additional trained personnel,’” Dr. Stephen said he has made application to the American Medical Association for approval and hopefully a new residency training program will be established at the hospital about July 1.

“The resident anesthesia training program will not interfere in any way with the nurse anesthetist training program which is prominent at Barnes. Both types of training programs are necessary and important because there is a real shortage of personnel in the specialty.”

New Barnes’ anesthesiologist-in-chief, Dr. Charles R. Stephen.
Auxiliary to Elect, Install 5 Officers At Annual Meeting

Five new officers of Barnes Hospital Auxiliary will be elected and officially installed at the Auxiliary's annual spring meeting and luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, April 29, in the Mayan Room of Trader Vic's Restaurant. In addition to the voting, a book review will be presented by one of the Auxiliary members, Mrs. Harvey Owen.

During the meeting, the Auxiliary will vote on the following slate of officers who will serve two-year terms: president, Mrs. William G. Moore, Jr.; vice president, Mrs. George L. Minor; and recording secretary, Mrs. Harvey Wittcoff. Also to be elected for three-year terms are two members of the nominating committee from a slate of four candidates. Those mentioned are Mrs. Robert Dahlin, Mrs. Robert Erickson, Mrs. Stuart Loechel and Mrs. Rayford Smith.

Retiring from office are Mrs. Raymond Meisenheimer, president, and Mrs. Harry Holmes, vice president, who have completed two-year terms.

Another highlight of the luncheon will be Mrs. Owen's review of newspaper columnist Irma Bombeck's humorous book, "At Wit's End." Mrs. Owen, a regular book reviewer, is a member of the Hospital Repertory Players, a group composed of Barnes' auxilians who perform parodies and skits describing the medical profession and health careers.

If the Auxiliary members approve the slate of candidates, Mrs. Moore would become the 11th president of the Barnes' volunteer unit. She has been active steadily in volunteer work at Barnes since 1965. Most recently, Mrs. Moore served as treasurer of the Auxiliary.

Several Changes in Supervisory Staff

Several changes occurred recently in the Barnes Hospital supervisory staff because of job promotions and the additions to the staff. The changes were announced by the departmental directors. The newly hired individuals will fill the following positions: evening administrator, associate director in dietetics, and assistant credit manager.

Tom Behnen, formerly a junior administrative assistant at Christian Northwest Hospital in Florissant, has been named the new evening administrator, replacing Jay Purvis, who has become an assistant director to Dr. Crofford Vermillion, associate director. Mr. Behnen served on the staff at Christian Northwest Hospital for three years, supervising the hospital's medical division, surgery, intensive care units and pediatrics.

Mrs. Kathleen McClusky, a former student at Utah State University, was appointed by the department of dietetics as associate director in charge of education. Mrs. McClusky will be working with the dietary interns. Mrs. McClusky, a 1964 graduate of Webster (Mo.) College, received a master's of public health nutrition degree in 1966 from Case-Western Reserve University at Cleveland. She served her dietary internship at University Hospitals of Cleveland where she became a registered dietitian. Mrs. McClusky was employed by the North Carolina State Board of Health for four years before enrolling at Utah State in pursuit of a doctorate degree.

A new assistant credit manager at Barnes is Wayne Warneke, a former budget analyst at McDonnell-Douglas Corporation. He worked in the firm for five years and prior to this position he served as a sales correspondent for a manufacturing firm.

Miss Edith Wehrend, formerly a dietary instructor at Barnes, has been named a new admitting officer in the admitting section.

Miss Tullmann Looks Back on 36 Years...

Many changes have occurred in the operation of the Barnes Hospital telephone switchboard during the past 36 years that Miss Rose Tullmann, right, has been employed in the communications department. Discussing equipment changes with Miss Tullmann is her replacement, Mrs. Agnes Bardot, who was formerly a telephone operator at the hospital.

Funeral Services Held For Dr. Barry Wood, 60, Former Barnes Doctor

Dr. W. Barry Wood, 60, former physician-in-chief at Barnes from 1942 to 1955, died March 9 in Boston. Dr. Wood, who since 1955 had been director of the department of microbiology at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, suffered a heart attack while he was in Boston for a retirement dinner honoring Dr. Nathan Pusey, president of Harvard University. Burial was in Boston.

While at the medical center, Dr. Wood was credited with determining the method in which white blood corpuscles, aided by the then new penicillin drug and the sulfa derivatives, combatted pneumonia germs in the lung, and worked on the isolation of pyrogen, a substance that causes fever. Dr. Wood was scheduled to receive the Kober Award in May, the highest honor of the American Academy of Physicians.
Myocardial Infraction

Puzzles Barnes Resident

Dr. Benjamin Ianzito, a resident in psychiatry at Renard Hospital, who exercises regularly at a local gym and health club, recently noticed the following health warning which could be included on the all-time list of human medical "bloopers."

"Attention: Check with your physician if you have had a heart attack, coronary thrombosis (sic) or cardiac infarction."

Dr. Ianzito commented further on the sign's intended meaning by saying: "I suppose a myocardial infarction may very well be considered a cardinal infarction of the rules for good health."

Radiology Acquires 2 Advanced Accelerators;
Department to Move in June to New Addition

Tumor patients at Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology soon will be undergoing radiation therapy treatment in highly sophisticated optimum doses administered from two newly-acquired advanced high-energy linear accelerators that recently were given to the radiology institute from an anonymous donor.

One of the accelerators, a 4 Mev, was installed in early March and it has the capabilities to allow the staff to administer radiation treatment to about 60 patients a day, in sessions of one to three minutes. A more advanced model accelerator, the 35 Mev, is expected to be installed in August. Only one other radiation treatment center in North America is known to have this model which can treat tumors with either x-ray or electron beams.

The advanced accelerator can be linked to a computer, via a programmed console, to provide immediate treatment instruction to the technician who is operating the interface console. The technician could, by use of the computer, position the accelerator for treatment; preset the prescribed radiation dose and dose rate; monitor the total radiation dose and automatically set the time of treatment. "The advanced accelerator can produce a radiation beam of 50 rads a minute," said Dr. William E. Powers, the institute's director of radiation therapy, who also praised the electronic capabilities and handling ability of the 4 Mev accelerator.

In another area of progress at Mallinckrodt, Dr. Powers also mentioned that many of the offices and equipment will be moved in June into several new floors in the 12-story building, adjoining Barnes, which has been constructed or remodeled. Dr. Powers said the move to new facilities was necessary to cope with the steady increase in the number of patients treated daily at the radiation center. In 1962, about 50 to 60 patients were treated daily in contrast to about 100 patients who are treated daily in the center. Last year, a total of 1,163 new patients were seen.

In outlining the institute's upcoming expansion plans, Dr. Powers said that the advanced 35 Mev accelerator, radiotherapy physical facilities, conference room and staff offices will be housed on the ground and first floors of the west wing. Modern experimental laboratories are being completed on the 7th, 10th and 12th floors that will be used for preclinical investigation in cancer biology and radiation biology. In addition to the institute's expansion program, the institute's existing facilities are being completely remodeled.

Men and machines: Dr. William E. Powers, director of radiation therapy, left, and Dr. Carlos A. Perez, assistant radiologist, right, and their department's recent addition, a 4 Mev linear accelerator, a radiotherapy machine which will treat tumor patients.
NO ‘WINTER DISCONTENT’ FOR BARNES EMPLOYES

While most Barnes employes take their vacations in the summer, there are some hospital employes who prefer to spend their recreation hours each summer gardening, doing household chores and participating in summer sports activities, within easy driving distance of their home. Winter is the time when these employes prefer to take their regular vacation. In February, they head either to the sun-drenched latitudes where surfing, sailing, fishing and golf are among the many casual activities to be enjoyed or to Alpine ski resorts at Vail, Aspen or Jackson Hole.

Among those at Barnes who prefer to migrate to warmer climates in pursuit of relaxation and fun are Everett Menendez, manager of data processing, and Fred Lanigan, programmer-analyst, who, in early March, spent a week bass fishing at a resort in Louisiana. The two men brought home 51 pounds of filleted fish. “By Missouri’s standards, it would be considered an ‘exceptional catch,’ but by native Louisiana standards, the trip was ‘sub-par,’” Mr. Menendez said. The two men had scheduled the trip about six months in advance, booking two experienced fishing guides and making other detailed preparations to make sure their outing would be thoroughly enjoyable.

Other ‘warm-blooded’ Barnes employes are: Miss Judy Loeffel, an RN and nursing officer of the day, who spent a week in “paradise” at the Out-Rigger Hotel at Honolulu; John Keppel, manager of patient accounts; and his wife who took a “belated” winter vacation at Juno Beach, Florida; Dr. Mario Werner, director of the clinical chemistry department, who toured scenic Tahiti and Australia; and Mrs. JoAnn Workman, staff nurse, who spent a few days with her husband in Japan.

While many Barnes employes migrated to warmer climates for sport and relaxation this past winter, others enjoyed winter sports closer to their homes, such as Mrs. John Foster, a buyer in purchasing, who spent several days in early March at Missouri’s Lake of The Ozarks, sight-seeing and swimming in an indoor pool. Still others at Barnes heeded the challenge that awaits skiers on a tricky slope on some distant Matterhorn. Barnes skiers include Miss Jacqueline Treybal, assistant director of nursing service; Miss Karma Berry, secretary in the department of surgery; Dr. Jessie Ternberg assistant surgeon; and Dr. Morris Davidson, assistant otolaryngologist.

Miss Treybal said that winter vacations help break the monotony and “blase feelings” that a person occasionally experiences in the winter, especially after the merriment of the Christmas holiday season. “Snow falling in your face while you’re on the ski slope is somehow different from the snow that falls in St. Louis,” she said. Miss Berry, who has

(A) Dr. Morris Davidson, assistant otolaryngologist, executes a tricky downhill ski maneuver on an advanced slope at Vail. Dr. Davidson and his wife have taken winter vacations for the past 13 years, primarily to ski resorts in Colorado.

(B) Miss Katherine Henry, dietitian in the tray assembly unit, left, spent the Christmas holidays in Mexico where the weather was a sunny 70 degrees. Miss Henry is shown discussing her trip with Miss Margaret Wooten, a dietary aide.

(C) Miss Karma Berry, secretary in the department of surgery, took a ski trip to Courchevel, France, this winter. Miss Berry also has taken winter vacations in the West Indies and to ski resorts in Colorado.

(D) Mrs. Elizabeth Effan, supervisor in housekeeping, took a trip in October with her mother, Mrs. Yvonne Quitmeyer, an LPN on 7 McMillan Hospital, to visit relatives in Canada. One of the highlights of their trip was a brief stopover at Hell, Michigan, a little hamlet northwest of Ann Arbor. Mrs. Effan said that the town’s residents dress as demons with pitchforks and frequently pull pranks on the tourists. The town has a “devil’s garden” and a stockade, she said.
taken winter vacations both in the balmy West Indies and at Aspen, said that she enjoyed island-hopping via a wind-jammer in the Indies for the "total relaxation" aspect, but noted she was in favor of a skiing vacation, which can be "totally exhausting, but fun." Most Barnes employes who ski mentioned the expense involved in pursuing the sport as a hobby. Among the items that an individual must purchase to ski are skis (rental or purchased), lessons, heavy leather mittens, sweaters, parka, ski pants, ski-lift tickets, headbands, goggles, thermal socks and other assorted equipment to keep the body warm and protected.

Miss Berry said that, like most skiers, she enjoyed "the apres ski-life"—the warm relaxed night-time atmosphere of the ski resorts where Swedish restaurants serve tasty entrees that satisfy even the most ravenous appetite. "At Aspen, you can sit by the fireside and casually discuss the day's events with a friend; or else you can watch a musical at the Crystal Palace, a theater from the Gaslight Era." she said. Most Barnes skiers said that a person does not have to be as agile as Billy Kidd to enjoy the sport, but that it definitely would be advantageous. Most Barnes skiers note that the sport can be dangerous and a few can recall all too clearly their own list of injuries sustained in falls and somersaults.

There are about 180,000 ski injuries reported each season. A St. Louis physician said recently that women and beginners are twice as likely to be injured than men or intermediate skiers. He noted that obviously the female novice is running the greatest risk. He said that 70% of reported ski injuries occur on the most gentle slopes, while the slower the skier goes, the worse the injury may be. He said skiers who fall on steep slopes have the advantage of gravity working for them, allowing the skier to bounce and roll. If a skier falls on the flats, it happens right there, the surgeon said.

Though skiing may be an uncertain risk to bones and ankles, it apparently can be beneficial, health-wise. A nationally-known cardiologist stated recently that skiing is "a good idea" for heart attack victims. He said it is safer than jogging when the energy expenditure is continuous and high—often 75% of maximum. In skiing, the energy is at a much lower level, usually not more than 25% to 40% of maximum. And there are frequent interruptions—resting, conversation, viewing the scenery or riding the lift in preparation for another run.

Another advantage of winter vacations is avoiding the occasional departmental conflicts of manpower scheduling and staffing that sometimes inadvertently happen when too many employes within one section choose to take their vacations in the summer at the same time (not to mention the same place).
Dr. Gerald T. Perkoff, associate physician, recently addressed the 44th annual meeting of the Public Health Nursing Association at Evansville, Indiana.

Dr. John Vava, assistant physician, recently was named chief of the Washington University Medical Service at City Hospital. He succeeds Dr. R. Dean Wochner, acting director of health and hospitals for St. Louis, who on January 10 replaced Dr. Herbert B. Domke, now acting director of the Missouri Division of Health.

Dr. Laurence V. Ackerman, surgical pathologist in chief, recently received the highest honor bestowed by the American Radium Society at a meeting in Mexico City. The award, the Janeway Medal, was presented by the society for "outstanding scientific contributions."

Dr. Ralph Biddy, 38, a former resident in psychiatry, has been named chief of staff of St. Louis' two recently consolidated veterans administration hospitals. Prior to the appointment, Dr. Biddy had been chief of psychiatry and neurology at St. Louis Veterans Administration Hospital.

Dr. William Goettman, a former chief resident physician at Barnes is now a general surgeon in Springfield, Ohio. A graduate of Wittenberg University, he is helping to raise money to upgrade Wittenberg's chemistry department.

Dr. William V. McKelly Jr., a former resident in psychiatry at Renard Hospital and currently chief of outpatient services in the psychiatric department at the University of Kansas Medical Center, was a guest lecturer at a public forum recently at Westminster College, Fulton. His topic was "Drugs Today." Dr. McKelly directs the Methadone Clinic for the UKMC. The clinic treats heroin addicts by administering a combative drug, Methadone.

Dr. Robert E. Shank, chief of preventive medicine, was one of three individuals to give public lectures, recently on the Missouri Southern College campus. The title of Dr. Shank's address was "An Emerging Paradox: Population, Food and Health."

Dr. Daniel D. Klaff, assistant otolaryngologist at Barnes, has been elected president of the St. Louis Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Club.

Nursing Consultant Chosen Vice President Of Nurse Organization

Miss Gloria Metzger, budget consultant in the nursing service at Barnes, was elected recently as second vice-president of the Third District Missouri Nurses Association at the organization's annual dinner meeting at the Crest House.

Miss Metzger, who will serve for two years, was chosen by members and associates of the organization which is composed of 1,500 persons. About 160 persons attended the dinner meeting. Mrs. Velma Jones, a Consultant on policies and procedures in the Barnes nursing service, currently is serving the organization as first vice-president.

40 Enroll in Barnes' First GED Classes

"School days, school days—those dear old golden rule days" of years gone by... It's been 30 years since the majority of the 40 or so Barnes employees who are taking classroom instruction leading to the General Education Development Test (GED) have seen the inside of a classroom. The employees, who are enrolled in the classes that are held at the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing during the late afternoons are trying to learn as much as possible in 11 weeks in hopes of successfully completing the requirements for a high-school equivalency certificate. Employees are attending the classes during their off-duty hours from work.

Walter J. Hanses, director of personnel, said he was pleased with the large enrollment and that additional GED classes may be held again in the future, depending upon the interest and response of the employees.

Mrs. Delores Travis, a senior nurse assistant on 4 Maternity, said she was "extremely grateful" for the opportunity because having the equivalent of a high school diploma could be "one of the factors that opens doors to job advancements."

Mrs. Travis liked the early afternoon scheduling of classes that makes it possible for her to attend the classes and return to her home before darkness sets in.
Funeral Services Held
For Dr. James B. Brown,
Noted Barnes Surgeon

Dr. James Barrett Brown, associate surgeon emeritus at Barnes, died March 18 after a long illness. He was 72 years old.

Dr. Brown first began private practice of plastic surgery in St. Louis in 1935. He also was a member of the surgical staffs of St. Louis Children’s, St. Luke’s, Jewish, Deaconess and DePaul hospitals.

From 1942 until 1946, Dr. Brown served in the Army. He was once chief consultant in plastic surgery for the Army. He co-authored a number of books on plastic surgery.

In 1944 Dr. Brown received the Lord and Taylor American Design Award for work in rehabilitating the war wounded. In 1946, he was awarded the Legion of Merit for outstanding service to the Surgeon General of the United States.

Survivors are his wife, Bertha, and four children, James Barrett Brown, Jr., of Darien, Conn., Dr. Charles S. Brown of Baltimore and Mrs. Jane Stanza and Mrs. Frances Stuhl, both of St. Louis.

Barnes Nursing Student Receives Essay Award

Miss Laura Diann Jenkins, a senior nursing student at Barnes Hospital, received the 1971 Health Careers Award of the National Association of Health and Welfare Ministries of the United Methodist Church on March 17 at Denver.

Miss Jenkins was selected to receive the award on the basis of an essay which she submitted to a nation-wide essay competition sponsored by the United Methodist Church.

Dr. Roger Burgess of Evanston, Ill., and general secretary of the United Methodist Board of Health and Welfare Ministries, said that Miss Jenkins’ entry was chosen the best among the entrants because she symbolizes the thousands of young persons preparing for service in a church-related health care field, or already working in that field.

Streamlined Truck Acquired by Security

The new Toyota truck, shown in the foreground, has been acquired by the Barnes safety and security department primarily for use in patrolling the hospital exterior and parking areas. The bright red truck is capable of attaining speeds of 60 miles an hour in less than 17 seconds. In the photograph, security guard James Duggan is shown checking an employee’s identification card on the Barnes parking lot at Duncan and Taylor avenues.
Mercury Lights Provide Security To Nursing Students

Barnes' nursing students are enjoying the security of well-lit sidewalks northeast of hospital's nursing residence because the Barnes maintenance department recently attached a new mercury vapor light to the side of the residence. The new mercury vapor light illuminates the area's building exteriors that were previously engulfed in ominous shadows.

Six other vapor lights were installed at Barnes and early indications are that the maintenance department is pleased with the performance of the lights and may install more soon around the hospital.

Five of the new mercury lights have been installed in the dome of the Queeny Tower canopy, above the entrance to the building. The remaining two lights have been attached by wall brackets to building exteriors on the north side of the Rand-Johnson Building near a first-floor exit, and also on the northeast side of the nurses' residence.

Amos Lynch, maintenance foreman, said the mercury lights should be considered important safety factors because they emit almost twice as much light as the regular incandescent bulbs used previously in those areas. Mr. Lynch noted that the installation of the new mercury lights probably will result in an overall cost-savings, because the life-span of the mercury lights is about 1½ to 3 years while the regular bulbs have a life expectancy of about only six months.

Mr. Lynch said that if the new lights prove better than the existing ones, six to eight additional mercury lights probably would be installed near the nurses' residence.

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