TWO NEW DEPARTMENT HEADS APPOINTED

At the regular Wednesday morning departmental conference on April 4, Mr. Joseph T. Greco, Associate Director of Barnard, Renard and Wohl Hospitals, introduced Miss Marion Stumpf and Mr. Ray Grossman to the group. Miss Stumpf has been appointed Occupational Therapy Director effective April 22, succeeding Miss Betty Bishop who is returning to Pennsylvania. Mr. Grossman has been appointed Recreational Director, and is the first person to head that newly organized department.

Miss Stumpf needs no introduction to most of us, since she has been on the staff of the Occupational Therapy Department for the past three years. Her home is in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and she is a graduate of Mount Mary College in Milwaukee with a B. S. Degree and Certificate of Occupational Therapy. Before coming to Barnes, she worked as Occupational Therapist for two and a half years at the St. Louis City Hospital.

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MR. RAY GROSSMAN

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Mr. Grossman was born and reared in New York City. He attended Queens College in New York with a split major in Psychology-Sociology, taking all available Recreation and Physical Education courses. After his marriage in December, 1952, he continued his education at Teacher's College in Columbia while working full time with the Children's Recreation Group. He was awarded his Master's Degree in February, 1954.

Mr. Grossman began his hospital recreation program career at Neponsit, but was transferred to the Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine program at Bellevue in January, 1955. He served as Recreational Director on Dr. Rusk's team. He likes to travel, and has crossed the U. S. by auto as well as spending several weeks in the Carribean Islands.

NURSING STUDENTS TAKE TOP HONORS

Publication of State Board Examination results for 1955 reveals that Washington University School of Nursing students took top honors in Pediatric, Psychiatric, Obstetrical and Surgical Nursing, and were second to the top in Medical nursing. This was shown in the scores released by the State Board of Nursing for the 27 schools of nursing in Missouri.

Total abilities of nurses cannot be proven by written tests, but examinations provide the only basis for comparison between the students here and the students from other schools. The results of the State Boards indicate that the students here are the best in the state. (Ed. Note: We knew it all the time!)

ALUMNI LOUNGE NOW OPERATING IN WOHL

A medical Center Alumni Lounge has been opened on the first floor of Wohl Hospital. The facilities will be utilized by the present medical students and staff, and the Lounge has been designated as the gathering place and headquarters for all medical alumni who come to the Center.

A pretty receptionist, Miss Gwen Hixson, presides over the Lounge. Throughout the day she is available to provide information of all kinds, arrange travel reservations, obtain theater tickets, reserve hotel rooms, or locate former classmates. The comfortable Lounge is a convenient place for visiting alumni to hang their hats, arrange to meet people, or pause between conferences.

Correspondence should be addressed to Miss Gwen Hixson, Medical Center Alumni Lounge, Wohl Hospital, 4960 Audubon Avenue, St. Louis 10, Missouri. The telephone number of the Lounge is Forest 7-6400, Extension 830.
Dr. Carl V. Moore, Physician-in-Chief, (Left), and Dr. Joseph Erlanger, Physiologist Emeritus, at the Departmental Luncheon on April 13 in the Wohl Dining Room.

DR. MOORE SPEAKS AT DEPARTMENTAL LUNCHEON

Dr. Carl V. Moore, whose “brilliant investigative work in blood” last year won him a national award, discussed the growing importance of hematology in modern medicine at the Departmental Luncheon on April 13. The luncheon was the second in a new series of monthly meetings called by Barnes Director Dr. F. R. Bradley to keep departments up to date on each other’s latest work.

Dr. Moore stated that leukemia and lymphoma now rank sixth among the various types of cancer, and has risen continuously since 1935. He pointed out that some portion of the earlier increase was probably due to better diagnostic facilities, but that the majority of the more recent increase was caused by radiation: X-rays and radioactive fall out from atomic explosions.

Dr. Moore explained, by using graphs on lantern slides, how the Japanese at the Hiroshima and Nagasaki explosions had contracted leukemia in direct proportion to their physical distance from where the bombs fell. He stated that the number of leukemia cases in those cities climbed steadily until two years ago, when they leveled off and it was thought that leukemia caused by the explosions might have ceased. Dr. Moore advised, however, that about fifty new cases of leukemia have developed in that vicinity thus far in 1956, which indicates that there is yet no significant drop in the number of leukemia cases resulting from the atomic explosions.
STAFF NURSE WED IN MACON, MISSOURI

Miss Louise Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas Cooper of Macon, Missouri and Fred N. Underwood, Jr., were married March 31 at the First Christian Church of Macon. Rev. Lester L. McKeeman officiated at the candlelighted ceremony. Afterward there was a reception in the church parlor.

The bride is a graduate of the Washington University School of Nursing, and worked about five years on 8200 in Barnes before transferring to 6200 where she remained until recently. Miss Dorothy Grace Cooper, sister of the bride and also employed at Barnes, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Edward A. Cleaver and Mrs. Jere P. McClure; Barbara Jane Funk served as flower girl.

The groom, whose parents came from their home in Russellville, Ala., for the wedding, is the brother of Dr. Charles R. Underwood, Assistant Resident in Surgery at Barnes. Dr. Underwood was best man; ushers were Charles F. Wilson, J. E. Wilson, Jr., James C. Cunningham, and Edward A. Cleaver.

After a honeymoon trip to the Gulf Coast, Mr. and Mrs. Underwood will make their home in the Florence Terrace Apartments, Florence, Alabama.

KAISER-ICHKOWSKY WEDDING PLANNED IN JUNE

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Ichkowsky of Springfield, Illinois have announced the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Miss Sandra Ichkowsky, to Arthur Kaiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kaiser, 6325 Southwood Avenue, Clayton.

The bride-elect is employed in the bookkeeping department of the Mallinckrodt Institute. Her fiance recently completed four years in the U. S. Navy, 16 months of which were spent in Japan.

The wedding will take place on June 3 at the Elks' Club in Springfield with Rabbi Lewis Satlow officiating. A reception will follow. Miss Nancy Ichkowsky will be her sister's maid of honor; bridesmaids will be Miss Florence Novack and Miss Charlene Dobinsky. Karen Potish, the bride's cousin, will be flower girl. Joe Kurstin and James Servich will be ushers, and Leonard Kaiser will be best man.

The prospective bride-groom's parents gave a breakfast for the families on April 7, and a luncheon on April 11. Both get-togethers were in honor of Miss Ichkowsky, and were held at the Meadowbrook Country Club.

JUNIOR STAFF NURSE AND PRIVATE MEDICINE INTERN PLAN TO WED ON JUNE 2

The engagement of Miss June Louise Schoknecht to Dr. Richard Ryder Dewey has been announced by her brother, Henry Adam Schoknecht III, of Walnut Creek, Calif. The wedding will take place early in June.

The bride-elect, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Schoknecht, Jr. of Kirkwood, was graduated from Kirkwood High School and received her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from the Washington University School of Nursing. Her sorority is Alpha Chi Omega. Miss Schoknecht is presently Staff Nurse on 3400 in Barnes.

Dr. Dewey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Harold Dewey, Elizabeth, N. J., is presently serving an Internship at Barnes on the Private Medical Service. An alumnus of Cardinal Farley Military Academy, Rhinecliff, N. Y., and St. Vincent's College, Latrobe, Pa., he was awarded his M. D. at Washington University School of Medicine where he became a member of Phi Beta Pi Medical Fraternity. During World War II Dr. Dewey served with the Army in the Far East.
HEAD TABLE GROUP AT THE W. U. SCHOOL OF NURSING STUDENT'S JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

Washington University School of Nursing students recently held their Junior-Senior Prom at the Kingsway Hotel. Miss Nancy Rogers, President of the Junior Class, was in charge of the activities. Students and guests seated at the Head Table were (Shown above left to right): Dr. F. R. Bradley, Director of Barnes and affiliated hospitals; Miss Shirley Schmidt, Vice-President of the Senior Class; Miss Louise Knapp, Director of the W. U. School of Nursing; Miss Nancy Rogers, Junior Class President; Clarissa Start, feature writer for the Post-Dispatch; Miss Evelyn Glasscock, Nursing Supervisor and Instructor in the school; Mrs. F. R. Bradley; and Miss Ann Campbell, Superintendent of Nurses and Director of the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing.
One of the elements of life that is needed by all people is inspiration. We find it in various ways and in strange places. We tend to think it comes in most cases from great people who have attained unusual goals, but that is not the only source. We also find it among those who find it necessary to live very limited lives. We have known such folk, and they have extended our horizons.

Inspiration is not a thing that is easy to find, and it is a thing that is even harder to give. Not much of it comes by accident, and not much of it is given by those who place little value upon it. Even though this is the usual situation, inspiration has served as the propelling force that has driven individuals to most of the attainments with which we are familiar. It has sent the explorer into far places, caused the inventor to create the seemingly impossible and held the scientist to his course in discovering the secrets of nature. The levels of life have been lifted because people have been willing to be inspired.

We sometimes have a tendency to shy away from certain kinds of inspiration, and then find ourselves giving our very best because of other kinds. That is as it should be, for human values are not always the same. All things are not deserving of the same degree of our interest and energy. The handling of this delicate element becomes a very personal matter. It is worth the effort.

RECREATIONAL DEPARTMENT ORGANIZED

A new Department of Recreation has been organized in Renard Hospital, which will work in cooperation with the Occupational Therapy Department for the rehabilitation of patients.

Some phases of recreation (card-playing, ping-pong, bingo, etc.) have been carried on in hospitals for many years, but organized recreation was only recently introduced. Civilian hospitals have begun to adopt the idea since World War II, following the lead set by Army Rehabilitation Centers.

The purpose for the department is to integrate all recreational activities, and coordinate the services of groups which perform recreational functions. This includes bringing in volunteer workers, guest speakers, and entertainers, and organizing hobby groups, discussion groups and club activities which meet the interests of patients. Patients will be assisted in organizing projects, games, contests, parties, and any other function which may be deemed important in maintaining a cheerful hospital environment.

Mr. Ray Grossman has been appointed Director of the department.
RENARD HOSPITAL VISITORS

On March 17 several members of the Group Action Council, Mental Health Committee, visited Renard Hospital. The Committee is composed of one representative from each local business and professional women's organization, and periodically visits all mental institutions throughout the city and state. Mrs. C. S. Knowles, Associate Director of McMillan and Maternity Hospitals, is a Committee member representing the Zonta Club of Clayton. Shown above in the Renard Hospital Lobby are (Left to Right): Mrs. Edward J. Merritt, Jr., acting chairman of Group Action Council, Mental Health Committee and President of the Business & Professional Women's Club of St. Louis; Dr. F. R. Bradley; Miss Jane Murphy, First Vice-President of the Railway Business Women's Association; and Miss Sue Berthe, representing the Pilot Club, who is also a past chairman of the Group Action Council, Mental Health Committee.
There is a legend...

that comes to mind in the early spring, when the countryside is dotted with flowering white dogwood. The legend is that at the time of the Crucifixion of Christ the dogwood tree was as large and tall as the oak and other forest trees. So firm and strong was the tree that it was chosen as the timber for the cross on Calvary.

To be used thus for such a cruel purpose greatly distressed the tree. Jesus, nailed upon it, sensed this, and in His gentle pity for all suffering, said to it:

"Because of your sorrow and pity for My suffering, never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used as a cross. Henceforth, it shall be slender and bent and twisted. But in the spring it shall have beautiful blossoms in the form of a cross, with two long and two short petals, and in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with red. In the center of each flower there will be a crown of thorns, so that all who see it will remember......"