New computer in use in data processing

Two 370/135 computers used by the data processing department at Barnes have been replaced by a larger system in an effort to cut costs while providing additional capability.

Everett Menendez, director of data processing and assistant director of the hospital, said the new computer is much larger than the two computers which were replaced but is far less expensive.

"We have been utilizing two computers to assure reliable services for our on-line information system in addition to other services such as accounts receivable, payroll and budgeting," said Mr. Menendez. "The two computers interconnected to provide reliability for our on-line systems. While both were in constant use, one could back up the other in an emergency.

"What we found, however, was our systems were so reliable that we did not need the expensive backup capability. We have been able to convert to a single IBM 370/145 system and get a computer with a larger capacity than that of the other two combined," Mr. Menendez said. "We also will be benefiting from the lower cost."

Fred Lanigan, programming manager in data processing, said that computer speed is measured in nanoseconds, with each nanosecond equaling one billionth of a second. The new computer is from two to five times faster than the two systems it replaces.

"We have attained a level of reliability well above the national average," Mr. Lanigan said. "We have experienced very little hardware down time although we realize that the computer is a machine and that occasionally it does malfunction."

Computer facilities perform a variety of functions within the hospital. An on-line information system is maintained through the 60 terminals located in such places as admitting, medical records, pharmacy and housekeeping.

Mr. Lanigan said the new computer is connected with another mini-computer system which collects information for electrocardiograms. "This system converts the electrocardiograms into digital form and feeds it to the main computer which actually analyzes the ECG."

"The value of computers has been proved in the past and continues to be proved every day at Barnes," Mr. Lanigan said. "We could not go back to the way we processed data prior to the computer installation." In addition to providing an on-line information system, the computer also supports patient accounts, budgeting, general accounting, payroll and other clerical work.

"The services which data processing is able to provide continue to expand," said Mr. Menendez. "And I think we are going to be called on in the future to provide even greater amounts of service. We want to be capable of providing the hospital with a complete computer utility supporting the hospital and patients with new technology at reduced cost."

Cost of supplies continues to rise

Although costs for supplies used at Barnes Hospital are expected to increase less during 1977 than during 1976, other factors including transportation and changes in use patterns have resulted in a continuing rate of increase for basic items. Because of the number of patients treated at Barnes, even minor changes in price can greatly affect the hospital's supply budget.

Walter Schatz, Barnes purchasing agent, said the hospital's 1977 budget reflects an anticipated eight percent increase in cost of items ranging from surgical gauze to pacemakers. The rate of increase is expected to be slightly less than the rate last year.

"These costs do not necessarily result from an increase in the cost of a particular item," Mr. Schatz said. "What we are seeing is that many variables are influencing the price we must pay. For instance, the cost of fuel and lower speed limits mean that a truck load of supplies from the east coast takes three days longer. Time is money and the wages paid to the driver are increasing. Freight charges can easily amount to ten percent of the actual cost of some items."

"And even before the item is ready for transportation other factors come into play. The cost of natural gas or other energy to run a plant to..."
Supply costs . . .

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produce a product is going up. Some textile mills are waiting to see their utility bills before they put a price on their product." Linen is produced by use of natural gas and Mr. Schatz said some manufacturers are switching to polyester materials, a petroleum product which also is increasing in price.

He also said that the hospital was actively engaged in a program of supply cost containment in an effort to keep supply cost increases to a minimum. "Our use of linen has dropped approximately 30 percent since we began a concerted effort to reduce unnecessary use. We are now making our own surgeon's gowns and with material left over we make surgical boots. There is no waste and our cost savings are substantial."

Mr. Schatz said that all areas of expense for supplies continue to be carefully examined in an effort to control costs, costs that eventually must be passed on to the patient.

One of the major problems facing the hospital in terms of its supply budget is one forced on it by technology. "During 1976 Barnes was the second largest purchaser of pacemakers, among hospitals, in the United States. The amount of money we will spend for pacemakers during 1977 will be substantially higher than in 1976 because surgeons are implanting pacemakers which are far superior in quality."

He said that technology has meant that pacemakers which cost from $650 to $950 during 1975 and which had a battery life of from two to three years, now have been substantially improved. New pacemakers last from seven to ten years, and the price has increased to more than $2,000. (Nuclear pacemakers, which should last a lifetime, will be available at Barnes in mid-summer and are expected to cost approximately $5,500.) "For the person who is receiving a pacemaker the added cost of the initial implant is higher but it is worth it because less frequent surgery is needed."

For years Barnes has been using a 32-ply gauze sponge, four-by-four inches in size. However Barnes is now only one of three hospitals in the United States using the product. Only one manufacturer produces the sponge. "Because national demand is low and the price of cotton has risen substantially," Mr. Schatz said. "We have the choice of continuing to purchase this item or substituting a standard 16-ply sponge.

"Barnes, like other hospitals, is caught in a bind. And we are forced to pay more as technology dictates the use of more sophisticated equipment and supplies. And yet we are doing our best to keep the costs down because the patient is the one who ultimately pays the bill."

Patient places ad to say thank you

Patients sometimes find ways of saying thank you to the physicians, nursing staff and other hospital employees who contribute to the care the patient receives. Some simply say "Thanks." Others have been known to send cakes or fruit baskets as expressions of gratitude although the hospital does not encourage such gifts.

One patient recently found a unique way of expressing his appreciation. He advertised.

Alvin Spitzer, a resident of St. Louis who had surgery at Barnes, ran an advertisement in a section of Valentine greetings in the St. Louis Post Dispatch. The ad said: "Barnes Hosp. Doctors, nurses and staff attending: Wohl, Rm. 511, Jan. 26-31. Rand-Johnson, Rm. 5212, Feb. 1-? You are all great. Competent, cheerful and kind. There is a good chance for humanity to make it with understanding, unselfish people like you. A.L.S."

Mr. Spitzer, who works in the advertising department at the newspaper, said he was aware the section was coming out and wanted to use that method of thanking the many people involved in his care and treatment. "It is difficult to let everyone know that you appreciate what they do for you. I thought that this might get my message across."

He also said that he was pleased with the thoughtfulness of the staff. "Barnes is a big hospital and I can see that it is difficult to please each patient all of the time," Mr. Spitzer said. "However, I really feel that I have had personal care and that makes a lot of difference."

Karen Wagner, head nurse on 5200, said that no one was aware of what Mr. Spitzer was planning. "We were totally surprised when people started bringing in copies of the paper, showing the ad," Miss Wagner said. Patients are not expected to say "Thank You" in any manner when leaving the hospital. Experienced care and attention to patient needs are expected of all hospital personnel. However, some patients go out of their way to express their gratitude and those genuine kinds of "Thank You" are appreciated.

Associate director named in nursing service

Patricia Keys, former nursing care advisor and clinical specialist, has been named an associate director of the Barnes Hospital nursing service according to an announcement by Maureen Byrnes, director of nursing.

Mrs. Keys will have primary responsibility for the hospital's quality assurance programs in the nursing service and also will have administrative nursing responsibilities for the emergency and self care areas.

A native of St. Louis, Mrs. Keys holds the M.S. degree in nursing from Washington University and is a graduate of the Washington University nursing school.

A member of the nursing service staff since 1967, Mrs. Keys has worked with quality assurance programs for the past five years. The programs include audits of medical records and imitation of a new medical record-keeping system.

Mrs. Keys also serves as chairman of the St. Louis Area Institute and Agency on Quality Assurance, an organization composed of nursing care representatives of hospitals in the metropolitan area.

"Mrs. Keys will be coordinating programs which have a common goal," Miss Byrnes said. "All are geared toward continually evaluating and improving the quality of patient care."

Receives research grant

The Muscular Dystrophy Association has awarded a $228,077 grant to support the Jerry Lewis Neuromuscular Disease Research Center and to finance research by Dr. Michael Brooke, Barnes neurologist who is co-director of the center.

The center, which is located on the fourth floor of McMillan, was established two years ago by the Muscular Dystrophy Association. It brings together researchers into neuromuscular disease from numerous disciplines throughout the medical center. Dr. Darryl DeVivo, pediatric neurologist, is co-director.
A study recently completed by Barnes psychiatrists indicates that psychiatric, social and family factors are related to the rate at which female criminals return to criminal activities.

The six-year study was conducted by Dr. Ronald Martin, Dr. C. Robert Cloninger and Dr. Samuel Guze, psychiatrist-in-chief at Barnes and head of the psychiatry department at Washington University School of Medicine. It was done with the cooperation of the Missouri State Board of Probation and Parole. The study utilized criminal records in addition to voluntary personal interviews with 66 women who had been convicted of felonies.

The study indicates that only about one-third of the female felons returned to crime following release from detention facilities, compared with a rate of approximately two-thirds for male felons. The study was conducted to determine what factors influence recidivism, that is a return to criminal activity.

Among factors most predictive of recidivism were the psychiatric diagnoses of antisocial personality and drug dependence, particularly when they were associated with a history of homosexual activity.

Other factors, which were not found to be as predictive, included level of education, unemployment, alcoholism, prior criminal record, being less than 30 years old, and psychiatric problems other than antisocial behavior.

Dr. Martin notes that antisocial personality was a more powerful predictor of recidivism than prior criminal record. An antisocial personality is diagnosed on the basis of a pattern of antisocial acts rather than on criminal activity alone. Typically such a pattern begins in early adolescence and is typified by such acts as truancy, running away from home, fighting, suspension or expulsion from school and dropping out of school.

“It seems that a certain percentage of persons showing such a pattern continue to have troubles which continue into adulthood,” Dr. Martin said. “Many of these persons have frequent job changes, financial irresponsibility, social and marital problems including desertion and non-support, multiple divorce, perhaps even child abuse, and are at increased risk to develop alcohol or drug dependence, and criminality.”

Citing prior work of Dr. Guze’s involving males, Dr. Martin said that as many as 90 percent of repeat men criminals could be diagnosed as having an antisocial personality.

A dependence on drugs also contributed to recidivism with females, more so than alcoholism. The study said this was “striking.” An earlier study conducted by the department indicated a stronger relationship between alcoholism and recidivism in male felons. However Dr. Martin said the studies of men were done in the late 50’s when drug dependence was probably not as prevalent.

The study also indicated that women who had relatives who also were criminals were more likely to repeat criminal offenses. If the relative is a close relative—defined as a first degree relative—the factor becomes more predictive.

Hysteria, known specifically as Briquet’s syndrome, was found to be associated with female criminality in an interesting way. First, the syndrome is defined as a disorder characterized by a vague, dramatic and complex medical history with many unexplained medical complaints in many organ systems. “What we found was that hysteria was more frequent than expected in the female population, it was associated with a relatively reduced risk of recidivism,” Dr. Martin said. “This, and results from other studies, suggests that hysteria is perhaps a variant of, or at least interrelated with, antisocial personality, both involving dramatic and stimulation-seeking behavior and early rule-breaking behavior. But hysteria progresses more into a pattern of somatic complaining, rather than persistent criminality.”

The 21 women who became recidivist during the six-year study were arrested a total of 93 times. There were 105 charges including 37 for larceny, 17 for fraud or forgery, 12 for drug violations, 11 for parole violations, six each for burglary and assault and five for flourishing deadly weapons.

Dr. Martin said the study presents a different picture of the female felon than that which is often viewed. The disorders found to be more frequent among female criminals than the general female population were antisocial personality, alcoholism, hysteria and drug dependence. As in male criminals, mania, depression, schizophrenia, mental retardation or organic brain syndrome were not more frequent. “The made-for-TV movie image of the criminal as a psychotic, crazed individual is not representative of the female population, it was associated with a relative stronger relationship between alcoholism and recidivism in male felons. However Dr. Martin said the studies of men were done in the late 50’s when drug dependence was probably not as prevalent.

There is cause for some optimism, however, in that only one-third of the female criminals were recidivist as compared to two-thirds of men criminals in Dr. Guze’s previous work. “Criminality in women is perhaps a more benign problem than in men.”

Dr. Martin also stressed that researchers are cautious about drawing conclusions without further study. “There are many variables involved and they are interrelated in complicated ways.” He said, “We are beginning, however, to utilize multivariate statistical techniques to unravel these interrelationships so that the wide variance in the course of criminality can be better understood, an important factor, in consideration of the problem criminality presents for society.”

Zane Barnes to lead United Way campaign

Zane Barnes, president and chief executive officer of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., and a member of the Barnes board of directors, has been named general chairman of the United Way’s 1977 fund raising drive.

As campaign chairman, Mr. Barnes will be responsible for the overall conduct of the 1977 drive. He will recruit and lead more than 40,000 volunteers in the campaign, which will officially begin Sept. 16.

Mr. Barnes has served as a division chairman in the last two United Way campaigns and is a member of the UW’s board of directors and executive committee.

Two other Barnes board members have been elected vice-presidents of the United Way. They are Edward J. Schnuck, board chairman and chief executive officer of Schnuck’s Markets, Inc., and Armand C. Stalnaker, chairman and president of General American Life Insurance Co. Mr. Stalnaker served as chairman of the 1976 campaign which attained a record $17,507,459.

Barnes Hospital received a UW Achievement Award for the 1976 drive. Hospital employees contributed more than $63,650 during the campaign.

Dr. Becker receives von Graefe Award

Dr. Bernard Becker, Barnes ophthalmologist-in-chief, recently received the first annual Albrecht von Graefe Award for “significant contributions in glaucoma research.”

The von Graefe Award, a specially struck bronze medal and a $1,000 honorarium, was established by the International Glaucoma Congress in memory of the distinguished German ophthalmologist who pioneered modern eye surgery for relief of acute glaucoma.

Dr. Becker’s research into the causes and control of glaucoma started in the early 1950’s and his work with the drug, acetazolamide, established the basis for its wide use in the control of glaucoma. The disease affects approximately 2 million Americans and is the second leading cause of blindness in the United States.

Dr. Becker’s research contributions have been reported in more than 300 papers published in scientific journals. He has been Barnes ophthalmologist-in-chief since 1953.

Three join medical staff

The President’s Office reports the following doctors on staff: Dr. Karen Scruggs, assistant pediatrician, effective Dec. 1, 1976; Dr. Ruthmary Deuel, assistant pediatrician, effective Jan. 1; and Dr. Anthony Kulczycki, assistant physician, effective Jan. 1.
Evelyn Bonander, social work director, believes social workers have important positive effects on Barnes patients.

Regardless of age or status in life, a serious illness brings emotional and social concerns in addition to the medical ones. At Barnes the medical social worker is the member of the health care team whose function is to help the patient identify and deal with disruptions caused by illness and treatment so that he can devote more of his energies to his recovery.

Evelyn Bonander, Barnes director of social work, explains that the role of the social worker is manyfold but centers on patients and their families who are faced with a major medical problem and its consequences. “We are also able sometimes to interpret the patient’s behavior to the rest of the care team to help them best meet the patient’s needs.”

Social workers have offices on the patient floors at Barnes, making them readily available to patients as well as other hospital staff members. This also allows them to specialize, working with patients with similar medical problems. “Even so, each patient is an individual and her problems are always in some ways unique,” cautions Carol Palmer, who is social worker for obstetrics and gynecology.

A common problem that she encounters is unwanted pregnancy, yet the social and emotional consequences vary widely. The patient may be married or unmarried; she may be a teenager, or she may be 10 or 12 years old. “Or,” Ms. Palmer says, remembering one patient, “she may be in her mid-forties, with eight other children, the youngest 14. This woman not only was having a difficult pregnancy, but neither she nor her other children wanted the baby. My role was to provide emotional support, to discuss the options open to her, and when she had decided to place the child for adoption, to discuss the agencies with her.”

Even though it is sometimes as difficult for a married woman to keep her child as it would be for a younger unmarried mother, Ms. Palmer points out that the older, married woman does not have the sanction of the community to give up her baby. “A teenager is accepted as having done the right thing, while the older woman is scorned. In either case, the mother needs help to get through the grieving process and over the guilt she may feel.”

Gynecology patients present a different problem. “Most of the patients I see have tumors, such as cancer of the uterus. That is a difficult diagnosis for a woman to face. I sit down and listen to them and learn what they and their family feel their needs are. Marital problems are frequent.” Ms. Palmer explains that one of the big emotional factors is distortion of body image. “The reproductive system is a symbol of femininity for many women and they feel they have lost their womanhood after treatment. I try to help the patient see that when she loses the uterus, she does not necessarily lose her femininity.” She feels that one way to do this is to help the patient get up courage to ask for the medical facts so she doesn’t have to rely on old wives’ tales and myths.

Vickie Overton, who works on the neurology floor, says that most of the people she sees are stroke patients. “Both the patient and the family need support in coping with a severe stroke. The suddenness of it makes a big emotional impact. If the patient is relatively young, children may be involved or the family may have lost its breadwinner. On the other hand, if the patient is retired, the stroke may have ruined the plans of a lifetime.”

Ms. Overton says that she works with both the patient and the family, helping to supply information on which they can base decisions and helping the family to adjust to changes that are inevitable. “Often the family members feel ill-equipped to accept responsibilities that are being thrust upon them. Both patient and family wonder if he will ever regain function. The return of use is very gradual and can be discouraging. I can help them by being available to talk with them about their concerns and future planning.”

Ms. Overton also sees patients with multiple sclerosis or Parkinson’s disease. “The MS patient may be young and may have a young family. He is faced with repeated hospitalizations and knows the illness will keep getting worse even though remissions occur. I try to assist them in coming to terms with the illness and maintain hope and energy to fulfill their goals. In other words, learn to live with the illness.”
Eileen Carlson, who works in neurosurgery, sees patients facing frightening operations, who have brain or spinal cord tumors or injuries. "The impact is devastating to both the patient and the family. Many of our neurosurgery patients are referred here from out of town and the complexity of a large medical center and a strange city can be overwhelming for them. They may feel lost and frequently we help them find a place nearby to stay."

"My role is to provide emotional support"

A major part of her work, Ms. Carlson feels, is counseling with the patient and family and helping to interpret their concerns to the staff with the end goal of providing maximum benefit of patient care. "Sometimes in these cases the insurance has run out and we make referrals for financial assistance so that the patient can free his energy to deal with what's happening. The patient has fear, anger, anxiety, sadness. By the very hospitalization process, he has lost control of his life and his privacy. The whole process can be overwhelming. Sometimes they don't want their spouse to see them like that; sometimes they don't want the spouse to leave their side for a minute. I have to help them cope." Sometimes the patient is comatose and his family needs a great deal of support. Ms. Carlson emphasizes that the patient is not the only victim. "Family and close friends are also affected. There is strain and stress on marital relationships. The implications of illness or injury can cause a number of problems. Helping those involved express their concerns and communicate more effectively with each other is a primary function of the social worker."

Roslyn Hofstein confronts similar problems with the patients and families she sees in the coronary care unit. "Many of the patients I see are going to have heart surgery. This is scary. I try to help them keep their thinking in perspective."

Ms. Hofstein notes that many heart attack patients are in their 40s, 50s and even 20s. "Many of these people have high-pressure jobs and a very active life style—a Type A personality. This means that they have family and career responsibilities that they worry about fulfilling. They frequently deny that they have had a heart attack even though the doctors have shown them the evidence. They face a loss of self-esteem largely because of a temporary inability to function in their roles of breadwinner and sexual partner."

The patient's very life depends on the ability to obtain treatments on the dialysis machine several times a week. Although this is an overriding aspect of their existence, we try to help patients place this in perspective with their other responsibilities and activities. Our purpose is to assist patients and their families in resuming as normal and productive a lifestyle as possible. For example, we inform them of the availability of dialysis in other areas of the country so that they can continue taking trips and vacations—an important activity in the very routinized life of a dialysis patient," says Ms. McKevitt.

When the time comes for consideration of a possible transplant operation, the social worker must work closely with the rest of the patient care team in counseling the patient and family as well as the donor and family. "We must allow the patient ample opportunity to air ambivalent feelings regarding either donating or accepting a transplant. Then we can assist the patient and donor in dealing with specific issues concerning income, insurance coverage, child care, etc., that may be affected."

Ms. Hofstein, like other social workers, attempts to find out what the patient's real concerns are and to help him communicate them to the doctors and ask the specific questions necessary to relieve his mind. "When a patient is frightened, it is difficult for him to retain the information a doctor gives him, and sometimes it needs to be repeated. All the patient has to do is ask. I can relay his concerns to the rest of the staff and at the same time encourage the patient to talk with the nurse and doctors."

Renal social workers at Barnes provide a twofold service, working with dialysis patients and with those patients who are contemplating or undergoing kidney transplants. "Chronic renal failure and dialysis have a multitude of social and psychological implications for all concerned," says Pat McKevitt, one of four renal social workers. "The patient has fear, anger, anxiety, sadness. By the very hospitalization process, he has lost control of his life and his privacy. The whole process can be overwhelming. Sometimes they don't want their spouse to see them like that; sometimes they don't want the spouse to leave their side for a minute. I have to help them cope."

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Ms. Bonander said, "Illness and treatment may alter some important aspects of a person's self image, and different patients will have to deal with different types of adjustments. We can help them cope with these problems. For example, one patient's image may focus on being a strong, healthy laborer whose self worth is built solely on his ability to work; another patient's image may focus on being an attractive wife. Their illness threatens the person they feel they are."

No matter what causes hospitalization, it is accompanied by some degree of feeling of helplessness. Ms. Bonander emphasizes that the goal of the social work service is to help the patient in whatever way possible to deal with the reality of the situation.
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**History of medicine focus for new club**

A History of Medicine Club has been organized by employees and doctors in the medical center, and plans call for meetings at six-week intervals. Twenty persons from a wide variety of areas in the medical school and associated hospitals attended an organizational meeting held February 17 in the Rare Book Annex.

Participants favored a seminar format for future meetings and the next meeting is scheduled for April 5 at 8 p.m. at the Rare Book Annex, 615 South Taylor. Dr. Kenneth Ludmerer will speak on "Eugenics Movements Around the Turn of the Century."

The club is the idea of Dr. Richard Ratzan, who became interested in the history of medicine when he attended seminars on the subject at Columbia University where he went to medical school. “The plan is for informal seminars, where everyone takes part and does some research on the subject at hand prior to meetings so that there is an intelligent sharing of information,” Dr. Ratzan explained. “No one has to be an expert to participate. Everyone with an interest in medical history is welcome.”

Dr. Ratzan explained that those attending the organizational meeting voted on whether to have future meetings in the afternoon or evening and the majority favored evening meetings. “But this could change if the membership decides that late afternoon would be more convenient.” Anyone wishing more information prior to the next meeting may contact Dr. Ratzan at 367-8060, extension 5018.

**Dietetics, nurse anesthesia employees retire**

Two long-time Barnes employees retired at the end of January and both were honored with gifts and parties by their fellow workers.

Warren L. Arnold, head baker in dietetics, had been employed by Barnes for more than 31 years, beginning his career here on Sept. 23, 1946. He said he couldn’t estimate the number of cakes, pies, rolls and hot breads he has baked during his years at Barnes, but it included about five birthday cakes a day.

Mr. Arnold, who for 30 years has lived within 10 blocks of Barnes, said he has bought a house near Table Rock lake and plans to spend a lot of time relaxing and fishing. “But I will miss all the good people I have had the opportunity to work with here,” he said.

Elizabeth Wood had been anesthesia secretary for 28 years before her retirement January 31. She has also lived near Barnes for many years and plans to return her home as well as several rental properties she has purchased nearby to generate added income during her retirement.

**Ernest Launsby attends proclamation ceremony**

Ernest Launsby, executive housekeeper at Barnes, attended ceremonies in Jefferson City during which new Missouri Gov. Joseph Teasdale issued a proclamation declaring Feb. 14 as housekeeping day in state medical facilities.

The ceremonies preceded activities at Barnes on Valentine’s Day during which housekeeping employees were honored for their contributions to patient-care and other areas of the hospital. Red carnation corsages and boutonnieres were presented by housekeeping supervisors and refreshments were served at meetings for each of the three work shifts.

Tom Winston, vice president of the hospital, told employees that the focus of the appreciation day has not changed since it was initiated several years ago. "What we were saying then, as well as now, is that we recognize the hard work which housekeeping employees perform and simply want to say thank you.

Housekeeping has approximately 285 employees working throughout the hospital and the exterior of hospital facilities.
Tribute Fund

The following is a list of honorees (names in boldface) and contributors to the Barnes Hospital Tribute Fund from Jan. 21 to Feb. 20.

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Leads symposium session

Dr. Carl Harford, Barnes physician and a member of the department of infectious diseases, led a session of the Goronyo O. Brunn symposium on influenza Feb. 17 at St. Louis University.

Dr. Perez speaks at meeting

Dr. Carlos Perez, director of the division of radiation oncology, participated in a conference of the Los Angeles (Cal.) Radiological Society. He spoke on radiation therapy in the treatment of cancer of the prostate, cervix and tonsil.

Doctor to be honored

Dr. Phillip Venable, Barnes ophthalmologist, has been notified that he will become a Life Member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology on Jan. 1, 1978. The honor is for 24 years of consecutive membership.

UW story wins award

A story encouraging employee participation in the United Way campaign at Barnes Hospital has been awarded first place in feature story competition sponsored by the United Way and the International Association of Business Communicators/St. Louis chapter.