WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO GIVE BLOOD FOR HEART OPERATIONS

Surgical operations requiring use of the Gibbons Pump, a machine which makes delicate heart operations possible by assuming functions of the heart and lungs during surgery, have been limited to an average of two per week in the Medical Center because of the large amount of compatible blood necessary for such operations. The blood shortage will be greatly alleviated by a program recently inaugurated at Washington University on a voluntary basis by the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Association.

The idea for student participation originated in the mind of George Dueker, sophomore student in the Washington University School of Medicine, who works part time at night in the Barnes Hospital Laboratories. He discussed the idea with Jack Fenlon, freshman medical student, and the two began making contacts. On March 5 the Assistant Dean of Students, Paul Connole, together with executives of the Panhellenic Association and Interfraternity Council, visited the Medical Center to observe a heart-lung operation on a six-year-old boy.

Blood typing on campus began during the second week in March with 40 students participating. It is hoped that an average of 80 students each week might engage in the program, and that a pool of nearly 1,000 students will be created during the next academic year. Mr. Dueker hopes for continuation of the program through cooperation by officers of the fraternal organizations in having all new pledges sign up for the program. Equipment and personnel for the program will be situated on campus for convenience.

Availability of blood when necessary is important, for 15 to 20 donors are needed to give blood of the proper type on the morning of the operation. If given earlier, complications arise which render the blood unusable in the heart-lung pump. Heart operations on orphans who are wards of the Division of Crippled Children, and other patients whose friends and relatives are unable to supply the correct type of blood in sufficient quantity, may now be performed through participation in the blood-donor program by students at Washington University.
VIVIAN LIPE, Nursing, became the bride of Mr. Vernon Clay on February 21 in St. Louis. DR. JOSEPH NOAH, Attending Staff, was elected secretary of the American Academy of Allergy at the group’s fifteenth annual meeting in Chicago. ROBERTA T. COLE, Central Supply, was recently married and is now Mrs. Ernest L. Cunning. ARTHUR HOFF, Dietary, is understandably proud of his son, Douglas, who is a senior student majoring in Industrial Engineering at the St. Louis University Institute of Technology. Douglas recently won a $50.00 award, made by the Quality Control Society of St. Louis, for writing the winning essay on “Reliability”. Best wishes to LOUISE BRACEY, Central Supply on her recent marriage to Mr. Richard Bates. The engagement of PAT MARTIN, Cytology, to Mr. Robert Schaefer was announced on Valentine’s Day. Mr. Schaefer is an engineering student at Washington University. DORIS BLUE and FRANK BARRON, both of whom work in Central Supply, are planning an October wedding. Former house officer Dr. Robert Lee Dorrough and his family are presently in Seattle, Washington, where Dr. and Mrs. Dorrough are completing a year of language study at the Far Eastern Language Institute. Afterwards Dr. Dorrough plans to spend a year practicing medicine with his brother in Montgomery, Alabama, before returning to hospital work in Pusan, Korea. ROBERTA HANNA, Dietary, recently became the bride of Mr. Lawrence Ziegler. Pearl of the Month: “Let us endeavor to so live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry”. We hear the recent shortage of Cheerios is because ants have been using them as hula-hoops. Best wishes to BERNICE MILLER, Nursing, who recently became the bride of Mr. Clauzell Givhan. With spring cleaning just around the corner, remember that more accidents occur in the home than in any other place. So be careful!
Miss Bertha Beckwith, Miss Vesta Hamrick, and Miss Ann J. Campbell join in admiring the silver gifts presented to Miss Hamrick at a surprise party given in Miss Hamrick’s honor to celebrate her 25th anniversary at Barnes Hospital. The party was a well-kept secret, and an ample quantity of hors d’oeuvres, punch, and cakes supplied by Miss Hamrick’s many friends made the party a delightful success.

DR. VERMILLION TO SPEAK AT CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL MACHINE ACCOUNTANTS ASS’N

Dr. C. O. Vermillion, Associate Director, will present a seminar at the 1959 National Conference of the National Machine Accountants Association to be held at the Chase-Park Plaza Hotels in June. This Association is the foremost organization of managers, supervisors, systems and procedures personnel, programmers, and others engaged in fields of endeavor related to punched card and electronic data processing systems.

The IBM Special Promotions Division recommended Dr. Vermillion as an authority in the field of Hospital Recording, and the St. Louis Conference Punched-Card Seminar Committee extended the invitation to present the seminar. Dr. Vermillion will discuss the application of punched card and electronic data processing systems to hospitals for medical statistics, patient accounts, and investigational projects.

On February 15 Dr. Vermillion was one of the guest speakers and panelists at a meeting of The Greater St. Louis Society of Medical Technologists, at which he spoke on “The Hospital Laboratory and Interdepartmental Relations.”
Nellie Shaw completed 15 years of continuous employment in the Barnes Hospital Laboratories on March 17. Born in Batesville, Mississippi, Nellie lived there until she moved to St. Louis in 1939. Her husband is employed at Wagner Electric; they have no children. Nellie says needlework is her favorite pastime, particularly crocheting and making clothes, and that she enjoys experimenting with new recipes. She is a member of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion Church, and participates in many church activities.

Clyde Caldwell celebrated his 10th anniversary as Laundry Foreman on February 16, but was omitted by error from the Anniversaries column in the February issue of the RECORD. Mr. Caldwell has been in the laundry business nearly 25 years. After selling his own laundry 10 years ago he accepted a job at Barnes while looking for another plant to buy--he says that Barnes was so nice to him and his family that he gradually gave up the idea of buying another business in favor of remaining at Barnes. Mr. Caldwell is married, and the father of four boys. He is Assistant District Commissioner of the West District of the Boy Scouts of America, which keeps him busy in Scout activities an average of four nights a week plus alternate weekends.

Ethel Taylor, Nurse Assistant on Six McMillan, completed 10 years at Barnes on March 21. Ethel was born in Greenwood, Mississippi, and moved to St. Louis in 1923. She is married, and has five children who keep her busy following through on the family activities they plan. Ethel says she has no interests outside her family and her job, but is thankful for the excellent health which makes it possible for her to actively enjoy her job while still maintaining her home.

Leanne Dickson celebrated her 10th anniversary at Barnes on March 21. She has worked as night IBM Key-punch Operator, from 9:00 p. m. to 5:00 a. m., during her entire employment. Leanne likes the night shift because it gives her free time during the day to enjoy luncheons, fashion shows, YWCA projects, and her activities in the Richmond Heights Presbyterian Church. Her husband is Assistant Auditor for Manufacturer's Railroad; they do most of their vacation and weekend traveling by train on her husband's pass. Leanne's father worked for the MKT Railway for many years, so she has been eligible for free train rides practically all her life. She says they have owned automobiles for the past 28 years, but have never driven their family car outside the metropolitan area. Key-punch operating is the only type of work Leanne has ever done--before coming to Barnes she was employed by the General American Life Insurance Company. The Dicksons have one daughter, who is married.

Those who completed 5 years of continuous employment in March are: Susie A. Moore, R. N. (3-10-54); Bertha A. Buck, Medical Records (3-2-54); Nancy McAdams, Chemistry Lab. (3-1-54); Agnes Knight, Maternity Linen Room (3-16-54); Mary Garner, Housekeeping (3-16-54); Albert Pearson, Wohl Nurse Aide (3-24-54); and Opal Mae Anderson, Nurse Assistant (3-25-54).
CHAPLAIN’S CORNER
by
George Bowles

The people who are honest with themselves and those about them will have to admit that there is a certain amount of boredom in the world. There seems to be enough to go around with some left over. Some people we know have an abundant supply. As we experience our part of it we have a tendency to feel we would like for the time to come when there would be a shortage of this element. People being what they are, this may be wishful thinking.

It is possible to do something about removing boredom from our existence. People give evidence of the fact that they believe this to be so, and one of the great proofs of this is found in the endless stream of books that deal with the element in one way or another. These are bought and read by the tens of thousands in our country and in other parts of the world. Without making any comments about the nature of the content of such books, it sufficeth to say that an escape from boredom is earnestly sought.

It is well that we have something within that calls for composure and absorbing interests. These opposites of boredom are needed in every circle in which we move. If we lack composure and interests that count at home, we are not likely going to take them to work with us. If they are not present in these two places, our social contacts are going to be rather drab and colorless. There are two old-fashioned remedies that help. They are Faith and Love—the kinds that reach out and fit into the needs of a world that could stand a little more stability. It is only with an optimistic spirit that we can attain.

GRACE COLE

DIETARY EMPLOYEE ON RALPH EDWARDS SHOW

Grace Cole, Dietary Aide on 6200 whose infectious smile and boundless energy and enthusiasm have endeared her to patients and co-workers, was reunited with her daughter on March 5 on the Ralph Edwards daytime television show, “It Could Be You.” Grace’s daughter, Dorothy Kelley, was honored on the show for her work with juvenile delinquents in the Los Angeles area.

Grace left for Los Angeles on Sunday, March 1, by American Airlines with all expenses paid by sponsors of the television program. All arrangements were made in secret to surprise Grace’s daughter, and on the show the two saw each other for the first time in seven years. Grace will spend four weeks in California before returning to St. Louis and her job at Barnes.
CENTURY OF PROGRESS
(The office regulations printed below have been copied from the files of a local business concern. The orders became effective May 4, 1872.)

1. Office employees each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys, and trim wicks. Wash windows once a week.

2. Each clerk will bring a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's business.

3. Make your pins carefully. You may whittle nubs to your individual taste.

4. Men employees will be given an evening off each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go regularly to church.

5. After 13 hours of labor in the office the employee should spend the remaining time reading the Bible and other good books.

6. Every employee should lay aside from each pay day a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefits during his declining years so that he will not become a burden on society.

7. Any employee who smokes Spanish cigars, uses liquor in any form, or frequents pool and public halls, or gets shaven in a barber shop, will give good reason to suspect his worth, intentions, integrity and honesty.

8. The employee who has performed his labors faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of five cents per day in his pay, providing profits from business permit it.

VIVIAN JONES, former Nurse Assistant in McMillan, returned February 11 and is now assigned to Maternity....MARIE HAGGARD, former Housekeeper in the Dietary Department, returned February 25 as Cashier in the Chocolate Shoppe....MURIEL JONES, Nurse Assistant formerly assigned to Barnes, returned February 23 and is working in Maternity....MARYLOU HELPER, who resigned from Medical Records because of a baby-sitter problem, resumed her former duties February 25....CHRISTINE BROWN returned to work in the laundry February 17....CLAUDIA COULTER, off staff in the Dietary Department because of illness, resumed her former duties February 15....GERTRUDE HATTON returned as Counterwoman in the Chocolate Shoppe February 28.....A. F. KIMBLE, Plasterer's Helper who works at intervals when needed, returned March 2.....MINNIE FAY WOOLFORD, Dietary Aide who resigned to become a mother, returned March 7.....ANN DARBY, Nurse Assistant, resumed her former duties in Maternity March 9.....JEAN GANN returned March 2 as Interviewer in Clinic Admitting.....LEORA LAWRENCE, Nurse Assistant assigned to the OR, resumed her former duties March 9.....MILDRED YANCY, Nurse Assistant, returned to duty March 7.....EVA HARRIS, Clinic Housekeeping, resumed her former duties March 16. Welcome Back!
Nurse Assistants who completed the In-Service Training Program in February are shown above in their classroom. They are: Ellen Bacon, Raymonde Bragg, Dorothy Brewer, Catherine Carter, Leona Chapman, Nellie Headd, Karen Hudson, Veineta Jackson, Rosa James, Charlene Johnson, Hazel Johnson, Rosa McField, Nancy Reams, Ada Sams, Elma Taylor, and Annette Waters.

SAME OLD STORY

“Our youth now love luxury; they have bad manners, contempt for authority; they show disrespect for elders and love chatter in place of exercise. Children are now tyrants, not the servants of their households. They no longer rise when elders enter the room. They contradict their parents, chatter before company, gobble up their food, and tyrannize their teachers.” These words might have been written about the rock ‘n roll generation but they weren’t. The quotation is ascribed to Socrates, the Greek philosopher who died in 399 B.C.
SPECIAL HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN DANFORTH CHAPEL

Chaplain Bowles has announced the following schedule of services for the period of Holy Week through Easter Sunday:

MAUNDY THURSDAY (March 26)
   Eve. 5:45 - Vesper Service
   7:00 - Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY (March 27)
   12 Noon until 3

A brief devotional message will be given at 12, 12:30, 1, 1:30, 2, and 2:30. Organ music will be played between each devotional. A special vocal number is planned for each period. Those who wish to attend will be welcome to come at the beginning of any or all half-hour periods and leave at will. The response to this service has been very fine each year. It has become a traditional part of our Barnes program.

EASTER SUNDAY (March 29)
   Morn. 6:00 - Sunrise Service
   8:30 - Holy Communion
   9:30 - Easter Worship

These services are open to all who desire to attend. A cordial welcome awaits all patients, relatives, friends, and personnel.

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