Wohl Dining Room
To Be Converted
To Serve Public

Plans have been approved by the Barnes Hospital Board of
Trustees for conversion of the Wohl Hospital Dining Room in
to a cafeteria-restaurant for both general public and hospital
personnel. The rapid service dining area is expected to be in
operation before the end of
1962.

A varied menu will be offered and includes two choices of
soup, a hot main meal of meat, potatoes and vegetables, salads,
desserts and the usual grill-type menu of hamburgers, hot dogs,
French fries, malts and similar foods.

Although basically a cafe-
teria, table service will be avail-
able to those wishing to pay a
slight extra charge. Prices will
be slightly higher than those in
the personnel cafeteria. Indi-
viduals will have the privilege
of moving from place to place
to select individual items of
food. Bus boys will clear the
tables.

At the present time there has
been no decision made as to the
hours of the planned restaurant,
but consideration is being given
to a seven-day operation, from
11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

COPHER AWARD HELPS
DIETETICS ASSOCIATION

An award established by Dr.
Glover H. Copher in 1944, in
memory of his wife, the former
Miss Marjorie Huhizer, is cre-
dited by officials of the American
Dietetic Association with at-
tracting competent workers in the
field of dietetics and in en-
hancing the tradition and his-
tory of the profession.

With the aid of Dr. Copher's
gift, the Barnes Hospital Board of
Trustees in 1945 arranged
with the American Dietetic As-
sociation to give an annual award
at the organization's yearly
convention. It is pre-
sented to the person having
done outstanding work in the
field of dietetics during the pre-
vious year.

The cash award, considered
by the dietetics association as
its outstanding honor, is set up in
an irrevocable trust fund.

This year's award, made in
Miami Beach, Fla., earlier this
month, was presented to Dr.
E. Neige Todhunter by Dr.

Employees and staff of the hospital were kept informed of the progress of the
recently completed United Fund drive through the use of a giant red, white
and blue thermometer in the personnel cafeteria. Rose Horonzak, personnel
department secretary, reports pledges for the preceding 24 hours as Lloyd
Peaks, painter foreman, updates the showing to a near $9,000 total for the
campaign's eighth day.

U. F. DRIVE NEARS GOAL

The Board of Trustees is
happy to announce comple-
tion of the Barnes Hospital
United Fund Drive. $14,697
has been pledged to carry on
the fine work of the 116
health and welfare agencies
supported by your contribu-
tions. This is vastly superior
to the $8,900 given last year,
and almost attained our goal
of $15,000. It is one of the
largest percentage increases
of any group.

The community, those who
will be helped and the Board
of Trustees join in “Thanks”
to those who gave time and
money in this campaign.

Any person who failed to
make a pledge and now feels
he would like to carry out
this responsibility to the
community is invited to con-
tact John Boyer, assistant
director, at extension 861.

Edgar M. Queen
Chairman, Barnes Trustees

New, Safe Floors
Now Being Placed
In Rand Johnson

Renovation and modernization of the 13 operating rooms in the
Rand-Johnson surgical suite continues with laying of con-
ductive flooring in operating rooms and corridors, thereby
insuring against explosion and fire from anesthetics or other
volatile compounds.

Completion of the several small areas still to be covered
with the conductive flooring will mark the end of the first phase
of an overall program which is to continue until the fall of
1963.

The next phase will be re-
placing of wooden and painted
metal furniture with stainless
steel equipment. This will be
followed by tiling walls, where
needed, isolation of all electrical
systems in areas that do not
have the safety feature and ex-
pansion of storage space to
meet operating room needs.

Plans for the many im-
provements are being made in con-
sultation with seven surgeons in
the various surgical specialties.

Most of the work, so far, has
been done on weekends in order
to assure a minimum of dis-
urbance to patients and staff.
Barnes Hospital Fire Council Plans
Monthly Drills In Various Buildings

Fire drills, similar to the one held at Renard Hospital earlier this month, will become routine in all hospitals operated by Barnes, according to Joseph T. Greco, associate director and chairman of the Barnes Fire Council.

Plans are being formulated to hold drills at intervals of one month in either Barnes, Barnard, Maternity, McMillian, Renard or Wohl hospitals and the Wohl Clinics and the Nurses Residence. Depending on the type of patient in the various institutions, evacuation may or may not be part of the drill.

During the first round of drills, Greco says, advance notice will be given to staff and employees. Later on, when staff members have become more familiar with the hospital’s fire protection plans, the drills will be of a surprise nature.

The first drill of the series, held at Renard in conjunction with the opening of fire prevention week, has been termed “well handled” by Chief William Trantina, St. Louis Fire Marshall, who was on hand with a corps of inspectors spotted at strategic locations throughout the hospital complex.

Chief Trantina noted that mistakes were made and that some persons were not familiar with the fire plan. Most of the faults he dismissed as being of a minor nature. “Familiarity with the fire plan,” he said, “will make the whole procedure run more smoothly.”

The inspectors were impressed with the “locked arms” technique used to evacuate patients from the third floor of Renard. Patients and staff locked arms and formed a human chain in leaving the building, thereby preventing anyone from wandering into what might be a danger area during a real fire. The technique proved effective in that the area was evacuated in less than three minutes.

Greco stated that many valuable lessons were learned from the drill. Top priorities have been set on giving more detailed instructions to those carrying out duties in connection with the fire plan and in more frequent checking of mechanical equipment.

Promotions for 48 Barnes Hospital Employees Reported Last Month

Predictions of a peak flu year, coupled with general public acceptance of flu protection, have caused a shortage of vaccine throughout the nation, city and hospital. Among the more than 1000 employees and staff members who have availed themselves of the free flu shots offered by the hospital is Carrie Bradley, floor technician on 1200. Another 200 persons are on the waiting list until more of the vaccine is available from pharmaceutical firms toward the end of the year. As vaccine becomes available to the health service, Mary Johnson, personnel health assistant, gives the shots to hospital personnel on a “first come, first served” basis.

Promotions of 48 Barnes Hospital employees have been announced by the personnel office for the period from September 14 through October 13.

The largest group, moving to lead dietary workers, includes Geneva Taylor, Lena Greene, Kathleen Kingdom, Ethel Danridge, Shirley Ratchford, Leola Munson, Lessye Hawkins, Emily Whitaker, Glaria Boyce and Mamie McAllister.

Advancing to floor technician are Willa Kimbrough, Beatrice Anderson, Wanda Rasberry and Marie Betzel.

Moving to senior nurse assistant are Daisy Ragland, Vivienne Garr, Onedia Phillips, Willie Mae Copher, Lawrence Rambo and Dottie Donaldson.

John Asaro, Laura Flagg and Porter Smith have advanced to junior nurse assistants and Norman Young, Glenda Cole, Arma Frazer, and Antonio Lopez are now nurse assistants.

In the maintenance department, Dale Pendleton, Mack Evans and Harry Roberts have been promoted to foremen; James Laines is now journeyman and George Barron is apprentice sheetmetal worker.

Other promotions include Larry Betzel to escort messenger and projectionist, James Jones and James Davison to shuttle runner, and J. D. Stacy to elevator starter.

Mary C. Moore and Vera Bell have been named assistant head nurses and Nancy Beguelin and Patricia Maxwell are now head nurses. Laura J. Bell has been promoted to instructor, school of nursing, Bessie Hillard, a new dietary aide instructor, Patricia Shores is operating room technician and Bernice Collins has advanced to social worker II.

Other promotions include Marie Rhodes, acting assistant director of nursing service, Thelma Winters, admitting officer, Agnes Knight, sewing room supervisor, and Patricia Berryman, fund drive administrative assistant.
Know Your Hospital

Course Given At Barnes Hospital One Of Few In Country To Train Hospital Administrators

For their first ten days at Barnes Hospital, students entering Washington University's hospital administration program scatter over the medical complex like quail after wind-blown seed.

In a way they, too, are seeking food but, instead of coming in mouthfuls, their nourishment is received in eyefuls and earfuls that help orient the student to the hospital operation.

“It is essential that each new student be exposed initially to all departments,” said Donald Horsh, assistant professor in the program, “so that references to the various hospital functions will be clear when mentioned in the academic study which follows.”

The hospital administration course, conducted by the school of medicine, is one of only 16 such programs in the nation. Dr. Frank R. Bradley, director emeritus of Barnes, heads the 21-month course which leads to a master's degree in hospital administration.

Nine months of the training period are spent in classroom activities and 12 months in administrative residency in an approved hospital. Residency may continue for additional years for those wanting more experience before seeking permanent employment.

“There at Barnes we teach an average of 15 closely screened students a year,” Horsh pointed out. “They come from all over the nation and frequently from foreign countries.” Besides graduation from an accredited college or university, applicants must also have had six hours of basic accounting.

“Since administration of a hospital is a highly specialized profession, requiring an unusual combination of skills,” Horsh asserts, “we strive to base our requirements as well as the course, on these skills.”

The administrative program at Barnes reflects the many areas in which the chief executive officer of a hospital may expect to be involved. It includes hospital organization and planning, community relations, function of the varied departments, diagnostic and therapeutic facilities, legal considerations, and many other subjects.

Related projects and research assignments are also interspersed with both hospital and class work.

In addition to the academic program, which is taught by hospital personnel and specialists from various professions in the community, the school offers residency training sessions of one to three years. Usually, one or two students are serving in resident training at Barnes. Others are assigned to many other hospitals throughout the country, submitting monthly reports to their professors at Barnes. Quarterly reports on the student's progress are also required from the hospital at which the student is a resident.

Nancy Craig, right, administrative resident at Barnes, finds her training varied and virtually limitless in scope. Here, on one of her special assignments, she and Ruth Snider, assistant operating supervisor, don surgical clothing as they evaluate and take inventory of equipment in one of the operating rooms. Such projects are customarily assumed by administrative residents among a myriad of other hospital-wide responsibilities. Purpose of this particular survey was to make sure that equipment and facilities met with standards of the Missouri Division of Health and Training of the Department of Public Welfare.

Nine of the 21 months required to obtain a degree in hospital administration are spent in the classroom at Barnes. John Boyer, personnel director, is shown lecturing the incoming class of administration students. First row, from left, O. David West, Gary J. Pomeroy, John Tatum, Edward L. T. Lyon, Dr. Jugel K. P. Sinha; second row, Melvin E. Cunningham, James K. Elrod, Neal E. Kresheck, J. Donley Gardner, D. Gene Clark; back row, William R. Burton, Donald J. Giesen, Robert Lingle and John Rohde. Richard P. Ellenbbrake was not present when picture was taken.

There is such a thing in life as compulsion. This is not the bad word that some seem to think it to be, but rather it is one of those firm foundations upon which we stand. We find that we have to do some things along the way because they are required of us. Other things have to be done in order to keep us from missing some of the greatest opportunities and satisfactions that one can know.

One of the imperatives by which we live is “I Must.” This should not be looked upon as objectionable, for this very element is often the making of us. All normal people face tasks that they do not expect and would rather not do, but some of these very things often turn out to bring us worthwhile returns. It is largely a matter of the character behind the viewpoint.

Like most all of the other qualities of character that we know, some cultivation is necessary. Our daily attitude toward the “I Musts” of life is the important point, and the right one can generally bring us the ability to make satisfactory adjustments.

If one lives with the feeling that his lot is to be compelled unjustly, he is not likely to find the joy in living that is discovered by the one who faces the reality that some requirement upon him is necessary.

The men of our land who have encircled the globe in outer space have done so under a sense of compulsion. They believed that they had to make the contribution to science that was expected of them. Not all people have like talents, but we all have some.

Louisian, is one of those currently serving her residency at the hospital. She picked Barnes because of “its outstanding reputation as a patient care hospital, as well as an excellent research and training center.” As a resident, she states that she does “a little bit of everything,” being given an opportunity to apply the many techniques learned during classroom sessions.

Also included in the training are special projects and undertakings designed to stimulate original thought and solve hospital problems. One example is the renovation of the operating rooms which is being planned with the help of surgeons who use the facilities.

Miss Craig plans to continue her training and gain a three-

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Employees, Service Given Top Rating in Patient Letters

Because he wouldn’t be in the hospital if he didn’t need the help of others, his care and comfort are the patient’s prime concern. He sits as judge and jury of all services rendered. Barnes Hospital is pleased with the verdict which arrives daily in letters from all corners of the nation. Increasingly, it is a favorable impression that is taken from the hospital.

From Fremont, Ohio, a woman writes: “I would like to take a moment away from things to thank everyone on the staff of Barnes Hospital-Wohl Neurosurgery, for the fine care and consideration given my brother. I have never witnessed finer care. You are all to be commended.”

A teaching nun from Fort Smith, Ark., writes: “For the sixth time I was a patient in Barnes Hospital. In addition to the excellent care I received on the nursing division, I would like to commend you for the very lovely trays that were served me. You are doing a very worthwhile job in caring for God’s sick.”

A hospital administrator with an emergency admission writes: “My appreciation to the many fine people who expedited the treatment, including emergency service, operating room, nursing service, et al. The dietetic service with selective foods was most satisfactory.”

“I want to take this opportunity to thank you and the personnel of McMillan Hospital,” writes a resident of Paducah, Ky., “I cannot say too much in praise of everyone, from the doctors, nurses, assistants and Mrs. Thelma Ray. Mrs. Ray did an excellent job of cleaning and also helped to bring my spirits up with her cheerfulness.”

And from a St. Louis woman, “This is just a note to let you know how deeply we appreciated all that everyone we came in contact with at Barnes Hospital did for Ada while she was there. We were in a real spot when she entered the hospital—our other daughter’s wedding was the next day. Everyone did their best and went out of their way to help us. Please believe me when I say I shall always be grateful to the nurses and staff at Barnes.”

A problem which has existed on the sixth floor of Maternity Hospital for more than 35 years has been solved by dropping the ceiling two feet and installing solid, anti-noise, fire resistant ceiling panels.

The problem, which concerned patients and hospital personnel alike, was one of falling plaster. When the hospital was constructed, a water resistant creosote was spread on the ceiling. Because of the oily nature of this material a good bond with plaster was never achieved and sections of the plaster ceiling would fall, especially during weather changes.

Before installing the new ceiling, all loose plaster was broken off and any that may fall in the future will be caught harmlessly by the false ceiling, which is now eight feet high.

In addition, renovation of the hospital’s sixth floor has included repainting of all furniture, a new linen room, a new bed pan sterilizer and a new bathroom, now being installed.

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year residential rating before setting her sights on a hospital job. Gerald Esparica, from Sacramento, Calif., the only other current Barnes resident, is already in his second year of the extended program.

Since the first class in hospital administration was started in 1946 there have been 225 students graduate with their advanced degrees. They have now scattered throughout the nation and are serving in more than 100 institutions in 37 states and three foreign countries.