Queeny Gift Renovates Lobby, Admitting Office

Renovation of the Barnes main lobby and Admitting office area for the purpose of providing a warm and pleasant atmosphere for the general public is expected to be completed on or about Nov. 30.

The work is being done through a special restrictive gift from Mr. Edgar M. Queeny, chairman of the Barnes Hospital Board of Trustees.

In order to change the cold, institutional look of the lobby and to bring more comfort, privacy and efficiency to the physical layout of the admitting area, wall partitions which divided the Admitting area will be removed and the lobby will be given a complete face-lifting.

Private interview cubicles will permit registration and admission procedures to be carried out in complete privacy. The area will be carpeted and illuminated with fluorescent lighting.

The low, uncomfortable sofas now used by patients waiting to be admitted will be replaced with attractive, comfortable, individual armchairs. Existing office furniture will be replaced with equipment which will match the rest of the decor.

Fire-retardant drapes will screen Admitting from the lobby area. The attractive drapery is unique in the respect that it is one color on the Admitting side and another color on the lobby side, each color blending with the decor of the individual areas.

Vinyl wall covering of the same type and color as that used in the new addition to Rand-Johnson will soften the austerity of the present marble facing in the lobby. Plaster walls and ceilings will be repainted to harmonize with the general motif.

On each side of the famous Red Carpet, the marble flooring will be softened with an overlay of resilient vinyl tile. Although the tile will be of marble pattern, it will lack the hardness and coldness of the present floor covering.

To the rear of the main lobby, area carpets and comfortable arm chairs and benches will be installed for visitor comfort. Benches will also be placed along the sides of the lobby itself.

To add a final touch to the redecorating, large clusters of plastic flowers will be placed at either side of the main entrance.

The decorating plan for the lobby renovation was submitted by John Barlow Interiors, Inc., of St. Louis. The firm was also responsible for the decorating of the new floors of Rand-Johnson.

Auxiliary Holds Fall Meeting

The Barnes Hospital Auxiliary held its fall membership meeting Oct. 24 in the School of Nursing to hear progress reports from President Mrs. Robert L. Bence and other officers and committee chairmen of the organization.

Mrs. Bence told the ladies that although new records of service have been achieved by the Auxiliary, there is still a very great need for additional women to devote their time to aiding the Medical Center.

The Auxiliary heard a panel consisting of Miss Jean Martz, director of Nursing Service; Miss Cora Glauser, associate director of Staff Development, and Miss Elizabeth McIntosh, director of Nursing Education, describe new trends in nursing.

Mrs. Dorothy Neukomm, chairman of the Nearly New Shop Committee, told the group that brisk business has seriously depleted stocks and merchandise and she urged members to seek additional clothing and other saleable items.
Old Areas Renovated; Brighten No. 4 Building

The renovation of No. 4 building at Barnes, which houses 1418 and 2418 wards and 3400, is nearing completion and represents another step in the program by Administration to renovate facilities at the hospital.

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Chaplain's Corner

By George A. Bowles

There is no substitute for faith. There are those who would react to this statement by asserting that if this word applies to religion, they will have none of it.

There are others who think of faith largely in the context of religion, and like to be counted among those who place a great deal of importance in it. As important as this background of the word is, it is much bigger than this one discipline.

Faith can operate in every area of life in which we live. In fact, it does. It is so largely a matter of degree, on the one hand, and the amount to which we make use of it on the other. The kind of faith we select to use is very important in shaping our course of living. It can be on a very low plane, as well as on a very high plane.

The criminal has a certain kind of faith that tells him he can get by with his selfish plans. A certain physician I happen to know had a faith that he could render his greatest service to humanity by working with and teaching other physicians in a distant land. There is vast difference between these two kinds of faith.

We can try to live without faith in ourselves, and be of all people most lonely.

Whatever our task might be, it is important or it would not exist. It is big enough to challenge us to believe in it, and to believe that it should be done well. Our names may never go down among the great, but we can at least live well with ourselves.

Four Observe Anniversaries

Dr. Frank R. Bradley, director emeritus of Barnes Hospital, led the list of Barnes personnel observing anniversaries of employment during October.

Dr. Bradley served as director of Barnes for 25 years prior to being elected director emeritus in May of 1962. He started his career at Barnes in 1928 as assistant superintendent.

Dr. Bradley marked his 35th year at Barnes last month.

Observing 10 years of service at Barnes last month were Mrs. Willie M. Crenshaw, senior nurse assistant; Miss Lena D. Greene, lead girl in Dietary, and Mrs. Rita V. Pehlg, administrative secretary.

New Coordinator of Safety Named

Charles C. De Rouse has joined the staff of Barnes Hospital as coordinator of safety and security.

De Rouse was quality control and safety director at Johns-Manville Products Corporation at Madison, Ill., for 11 years before joining the Barnes staff. Prior to that he held the post of furnace practice and safety coordinator at the Koppers Company in Pittsburgh, Pa., and Granite City, Ill., for 11 years.

He transferred to SIU in 1960 and has been attending night school ever since. With only 16 credit hours remaining before he can obtain his Bachelor of Science degree, De Rouse has again interrupted his training. "I believe my new job at Barnes will require all my efforts, day and night, for the first year. However, I have definite plans to resume my night school education next September," he said.

DeRouse and his wife, Bernice, live in East St. Louis, Ill. They have two married daughters, Mrs. Dwain Poole of LeRoy, Ill., and Mrs. Rho Mae Rehlen, of Tulsa, Okla. They also have six grandchildren.

Barnes Hospital conducts more than 600,000 laboratory tests annually.
Jewish Rabbi Serves Barnes

The announcement last month by the St. Louis Jewish Federation of the appointment of Rabbi Lawrence Seigel as full-time Jewish chaplain for institutions in this area added another link in the Barnes Chaplain’s program.

Rabbi Seigel, based at Jewish Hospital nearby, will serve patients of the Jewish faith at Barnes and other area hospitals. He can be reached at Forest 7-8080, extension 489.

Rabbi Seigel will primarily provide spiritual guidance and counseling to those patients who are not affiliated with a congregation in this area.

He is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, and of Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. He studied in Israel in 1957 and 1958. After he was ordained in 1961, he served as spiritual leader for a congregation in Santa Rosa, California and as chaplain for the Department of Correction in California.

Orderlies lead strenuous lives. Central Service recently received a request from a nursing station to “send us two patients to put an orderly to bed.”

Operation of the large flatwork stacker, which handles 1,800 pieces of flatwork per hour, is the job of (1 to r): Mabel Riley, Ruth Hall, Ruth Celmar and Louise Moore.

BH United Fund Raises $16,280

The Barnes Hospital United Fund Drive raised $16,280 of its goal of $20,000 as the drive officially ended Oct. 25. Pledges are still being received by the Personnel office and employes who still have not returned their pledges are urged to do so.

Assistant Director John M. Boyer said Barnes employes last year contributed $14,560 and in 1961 donated $9,000.

New Machines Speed Laundry Production

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One of the questions most frequently asked of Caldwell by touring groups is: “Don’t the laundry employes contract all sorts of diseases through handling soiled laundry from hospital patients?”

“That laundry is sealed in special containers on the floors and delivered separately. It is then dumped directly into special washers without being handled by the employes,” he explained.

Further improvements in speeding up the handling of laundry have been accomplished through the installation earlier this year of an automatic towel and small linen folder with a capacity of 1,800 pieces per hour.

Ride Needed

Young lady employed at Wohl needs a ride from either Granite City, Ill., or downtown St. Louis, to arrive at Barnes at 8:30 a.m. Call Sta. 760.
A group of Russian doctors who toured the Medical Center last month viewed magnified blood cells shown by Dr. Norma Fletcher (l), research professor at the Washington University School of Medicine. The Russian specialists in hematology are (l to r): Magira Bogoyavlenskaya, Mariya Unnova, Natalieya Kidyak, Antonin Filatov and Georgiy Alekseyev.

**Double Promotions in Credit Dept.**

Twenty-five promotions were reported by the Personnel Department for the month of October with two Barnes employees among the group being promoted twice last month.

Winning the double promotions were Carol E. Wermuth, who moved up from file clerk to clerk typist and then to patient account clerk, and Janet Cady, who rose from clerk typist to patients account clerk and then to the post of chief credit clerk.

Roy C. Andrews, executive assistant in scheduling, was promoted to schedule coordinator.

In the Department of Nursing where the greatest number of promotions were reported, 18 persons advanced.

Laura J. Bell, an instructor in the School of Nursing, became a coordinator. Head Nurse Georgia Reed rose to the post of supervisor. Staff Nurse Jeanette Claus became an assistant head nurse.

Moving up to the post of floor technician were Senior Nurse Aides Hippolyte Johnson, Lawrence Rambo and Curtis Kohring. Nurse Aide Porte-Smith became an equipment technician and Nurse Aide Percy Brinkley advanced to floor technician.

Nurse Aides Wilber Flagg and Peter Bourbeau became senior nurse aides. Junior Nurse Aide Emma Smith rose to nurse aide. Student Nurse Aides Anthony Naves and Weldon Epting were promoted to nurse aides.

Advancing from the rank of student nurse aide to junior aide were: Geraldine Chamberlain, Barbara Young, Velma Phillips, Delores Short and Dessie Mae Willis.

**Switchboard Overburdened**

To open more trunk lines for hospital calls on the already overtaxed hospital switchboard, Communications Coordinator C. E. Bopp suggests the following:

1. Limit personal calls to emergencies and use public phones whenever possible for such calls.

2. To transfer calls depress the receiver button slowly. Do this only once and wait until the operator answers. Do not call the operator on another phone to transfer a call.

3. Don’t hold the line. If there is to be a delay while you look up information take the caller’s number and call back.

**TRUSTEE**

(Continued from page 1) and received his AB degree in 1919.

When the United States entered World War I, Queeny enlisted in the Navy as a seaman. In 1917, he was commissioned an ensign and served eight months overseas.

In 1919, he was discharged from the Navy as a Lieutenant (jg). Later that year he married the former Miss Ethel Schneider, the daughter of a Washington, D.C. architect.

He began his career with Monsanto—a firm his father founded and which bears his mother’s maiden name—in 1919 as the firm’s first advertising manager. He began publishing the house organ “Monsanto Current Events” which eventually became today’s highly acclaimed “Monsanto Magazine.” In 1928, he was elected president of the firm and held that post until 1943 when he became chairman of the board. In 1960 he left that position to become chairman of the company’s Finance Committee.

Under Queeny’s direction, Monsanto Chemical Company grew from a $10.5 million organization in 1928 to a worldwide enterprise with more than $1 billion of assets by 1960’s close. From its original plant on South Second Street in St. Louis, its scope has expanded to include plants and offices in all parts of the world.

He holds directorships in many corporations and organizations, among them American Airlines, the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, the St. Louis Symphony Society, United Fund of Greater St. Louis, American-Korean Foundation, the Herbert Hoover Foundation and the World Rehabilitation Fund, name only a few.

He has authored three books: Cheechako, a story based upon his experiences on a hunting and fishing trip to Alaska; Spirit of Enterprise, an economic treatise; and Prairie Wings, which critics say contains more authoritative data on wild ducks than any other publication.

In 1949 and 1952, Queeny led African safaris sponsored by the American Museum of Natural History to obtain sound motion picture film on African wildlife. Six anthropological documentary motion pictures resulted from the film footage taken, including “Latuko” and “Wakamba,” both of which were shown at theaters.

He has also produced a film on Atlantic salmon entitled “Silver Lighting,” which has also been shown in theaters. His most recent motion picture feature wildlife in Alaska and is entitled “The Great Country.”

**STREET RENAMED**

The St. Louis Board of Aldermen passed a bill Nov. 1 changing the name of the street in front of Barnes.

Upon the signature of Mayor Raymond R. Tucker the name of the street will be “Barnes Hospital Plaza.” It is presently named South Kingshighway Boulevard.

The signature of the mayor, making the change of name official, is expected on or before Nov. 10.

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