Barnes Nurse Choir Gives Annual Christmas Recital For Patients

The annual Christmas Program was presented the evening of Dec. 18 in the Barnes lobby by the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing Choir under the direction of Dr. Kenneth Schuller. In the foreground are Misses Velora Kohrmann and Ruth Healy, who gave the narration. The choir was directed by Dr. Kenneth Schuller, (l) and accompanied by Assistant Director Raymond Grossman, (r).

The annual Christmas Program was presented the evening of Dec. 18 in the Barnes lobby by the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing Choir under the direction of Dr. Kenneth Schuller. The program, arranged by Joseph T. Greco, associate director of Barnes, featured Christmas carols by the 120-girl choir, interspersed by a Christmas narrative written for the occasion by Greco. As the pageant while touring Johns Hopkins in 1955, he wrote the narrative, using several bibles so as to create an interdenominational story.

“The pageant cheers the patients and gives the student nurses—many of whom are away from home for the first time—a feeling of ‘belonging’ and of being part of the Christmas celebration,” he said.

Meet The Trustees

John L. Davidson, Jr., legal counsel for the Barnes Hospital Board of Trustees, is vice president and general counsel for the Wabash Railroad Company.

Davidson is also general counsel and director of the Lake Erie and Fort Wayne Railroad Company; general counsel for New Jersey, Indiana and Illinois Railroad Company; general counsel for Wabash Motor Transit Company and a director of the Des Moines Union Railroad Company.

Born in Oak Park, Ill., he attended Harvard College and the University of Chicago for his pre-legal education and took his law degree from Northwestern University Law School.

Shortly after obtaining his degree, Davidson enlisted in the U. S. Naval Reserve as an apprentice seaman and was released from active duty as a lieutenant commander.

In 1946 he joined the law firm of Sonnenschein, Berkson, Lautmann, Levinson and Morse in Chicago as an associate. The following year he became general attorney for the Chicago and North Western Railway Company. In 1955 Davidson became first assistant attorney

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**AUXILIARY “HOSPITALITY ROOM”**

**KEEPS FAMILIES INFORMED**

The Barnes Hospital Women's Auxiliary has opened a "Hospitality Room" in the lobby of Wohl Hospital to accommodate the families and friends of patients. The room is linked by telephone to the operating room, intensive care room in neurosurgery and the recovery room to give families and friends of the patients a step-by-step report of the progress of the patient. While they are waiting, the visitors are served coffee or tea. The room provides not only a central point where the physician can contact the relatives but also relieves congestion of floor traffic, permitting staff members to work unhampered.

When space becomes available, consideration will be given to extending the program to intensive care units. Patients may be in critical condition and the families and friends of patients a step-by-step report of the progress of the patient.

**Room very successful from all standpoints.**

**Safety Program**

**Gets Underway**

The aim of the safety program instituted at Barnes is the health, safety and welfare of the employees and better patient care through the use of approved safety practices. Safety Coordinator Charles C. DeRousse said this month.

"The safe worker shows he has the best interests of the patient and his fellow workers at heart. Administration can provide the safest tools and equipment but it is the responsibility of the individual worker to employ these tools intelligently," DeRousse said.

Department supervisors appreciate the value of accident prevention, he said, and Administration is backing the program completely. "After all, accident prevention and standard safety practices are simply a part of high operating efficiency," he said.

Every accident that has occurred or will occur is traceable to either personal carelessness or faulty equipment, DeRousse continued. "It is the duty of each Barnes employee to search out and eliminate these hazards to life and limb."

It is with this in mind that the Safety Committee—composed of Donald Horsh, John Boyer, James Claywell, Dillon Trulove, Carl Pfeifer and DeRousse—has asked all Barnes employees to report safety hazards for action by the committee.

Suggestions for safety improvements in any job procedure or any area of the hospital should be sent to the Safety Department.

Full credit will be given to anyone making a worthwhile suggestion. Recognition will be made by the Safety Committee and will be printed in the Hospital Record.

"Remember, your job is only as safe as you make it," DeRousse said.

**BARNES-ALLIED SEES EVEREST ASCENT; MEDICAL SOCIETY HONORS DR. HORNBEIN**

Approximately 200 members of the Barnes and Allied Hospitals Society attended the 36th annual dinner of the societies at the University Club Dec. 6.

Speaker at the dinner was Dr. Thomas F. Hornbein, Dr. Hornbein and William Unsoeld, a Peace Corps member, were the first men ever to scale the west ridge of Everest and then traverse the towering, 29,028-foot peak.

Dr. Robert B. Dodd, anesthesiologist-in-chief at Barnes, introduced Dr. Hornbein and presented him with an honorary membership in the St. Louis Medical Society—the 40th living physician so honored.

Dr. Dodd said the same self-discipline which enabled Dr. Hornbein to scale the peak was also apparent when he studied medicine and his specialty—anesthesia—at the Washington University School of Medicine.

Following the dinner, Dr. Hornbein showed over 150 color slides taken during the historic ascent of the Himalayan mountain.

Dr. Hornbein, prior to a term of military service with the Navy and his participation in the Everest Expedition, was an assistant anesthesiologist on the Barnes staff.

He now lives near Seattle and is an associate professor at the University of Washington.

**Safety Tip**

By Charles C. DeRousse

Remember the yellow caution flag.

Be alert and accident-free.

Open desk drawers can be dangerous.
Recreation Dept. Stumps Panelists
With Quiz Program At Renard

A program in the format of the television show "To Tell The Truth" was presented for patients of Renard Hospital during December, featuring local notables.

With Recreation Director Merle Aukamp acting as master of ceremonies, a panel of patients was given the task of selecting the "real" notable from among five groups of guests.

The program was one of many conducted by the Recreation Department for patients at Renard. Throughout the year, the department conducts games and programs for the patients in the Activities Therapy Hall, on the wards and sometimes on an individual basis.

Once a week, trips are conducted to various points of interest in and around the city.

The first guest on the quiz program was Mrs. Anita K. Hynes, retired director of volunteer services for the American Red Cross. Teamed with Mrs. Hynes was Miss Inez Andrews of the Red Cross and Mrs. E. Hill of the Barnes Women's Auxiliary.

Ralph Smith, director of services for St. Louis County Juvenile Court was the second guest. He appeared with Bolen J. Carter, assistant superintendent of schools for East St. Louis, Ill.

The third group featured Ross Williams, chief test pilot for the McDonnell Aircraft Corporation. Appearing with him were Del Karmeyer, traffic engineer for the City of St. Louis and James Rogers, mechanical engineer at Monsanto Chemical Company.

The fourth group included the reigning Veiled Prophet Queen Miss Anne Kennard Newhard. Assisting Miss Newhard in mystically stump the panelists — was headed by Butch Yatkeman, equipment manager for the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team. With him were Arthur Bonifer of Concordia Publishing House and Fred Trost, Barnes cost accountant.

Other activities conducted by the Recreation Department of Renard include parties, dances, entertainment, movies and various other activities, such as bridge and dance instruction.

VOLUNTEERS BRIGHTEN PATIENTS' HOLIDAY

McMillan Hospital patients Everett Humiston, Shiel LaTo, Valeri Wier, Sharon Gilpatrick and Linda Germann hold Christmas stockings donated by volunteer groups to make their Christmas a bit happier.

Church groups and other organizations joined forces to make Christmas a happy occasion for patients confined to McMillan during the holidays.

The groups donated time, effort and talent to bring cheer to those forced to remain in the hospital over the holiday.

Gifts, decorations and holiday treats perked up the spirits of the patients — especially the youngsters.

Contributing to the effort were the Women's Auxiliary Volunteers and Candy Stripers, the Women's Mission Union of Maplewood, the Women's Society, St. Luke's Methodist Church, St. John's Methodist Church Forum Group and the Tri-Hi-Y Group of Webster Groves.

Mrs. Ruth Barr of the Occupational Therapy Department at McMillan wishes to extend her hearty thanks to those who worked so hard to brighten up the holiday for the patients.
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(Continued from page 1) general for the State of Illinois. His professional activities include membership in the American Bar Association; Illinois State Bar Association; Missouri Bar, Integrated; Bar Association of St. Louis; Chicago Bar Association; fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers; Society of Trial Lawyers, Chicago and the Law Club of Chicago.

He is also a member of the National Lawyers Club, Washington, D.C.; Association of American Railroads Law Committee; American Bar Association Section of Public Utility Law and chairman of the Standing Committee Report of Regulatory Law.

Among his community activities are memberships in the Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan St. Louis; the Missouri State Chamber of Commerce and the Illinois State Chamber of Commerce.

Davidson is also a member of the Noonday Club of St. Louis, the Harvard Club of Chicago, the Harvard Club of New York City and the Newcomen Society in North America.

The Barnes Hospital School of Nurse Anesthesia graduated 11 anesthetists during December. The graduating class included, seated, 1 to r: Miss Gladys Siebert, Mrs. Patricia Ripple, Miss Doris Nikkel, Miss Joyce Cantrell and Miss Vivian Sylva. Standing; Mrs. Dean Hayden, director, School of Nurse Anesthesia; Mrs. Barry S. Heller, Miss Helen Oglesby, Air Force Capt. Robert Overacre, Miss Marlene Redin and Air Force 1st Lt. Walter B. Norris.

Supervisors Can Evaluate Selves

The performance evaluation list for Barnes employees which appeared in the November Hospital Record brought favorable response from many employees.

This month we are providing a similar list for the other portion of the team—supervisors. As with the previous list, the following is designed only for self-appraisal:

1. Do I set a good example in appearance— neat, clean, regulation dress?
2. Is my record of attendance and punctuality good?
3. Am I effective in giving orders?
4. Do I thoroughly explain what I expect from an employee in the way of job performance?
5. Do my subordinates come to me with their problems and for information?
6. Do I argue with people?
7. Am I generally cheerful?
8. Can I reject a request or give a reprimand without being angry or grouchy?
9. Do I set an example through my courteous treatment of patients, visitors and other employees?
10. Do I give time and thought before making judgments so as to best arrive at logical opinions and conclusions?
11. Am I fair and just in criticism of subordinates?
12. Do I commend employees for a job well done?
13. Do I have clear objectives for my area of responsibility?
14. How can I improve my supervision?

Wife, inspecting husband's empty wallet: "Were you playing poker last night?"

Husband: "No, but I was sitting with three guys who were."

MISS PEACH MARKS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Miss Irene M. Peach, a junior staff nurse working in Renard, marked her 20th anniversary of employment at Barnes during December.

Two other employees observed the 10th anniversaries of their employment in December.

They are Dale Pendleton, sheet metal foreman in Maintenance, and Garnette Albertie, an operating room technician. Congratulations on your years of service.

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Promotions

Only three promotions were reported by the Personnel Department in December as the holiday season brought its usual lull in activities.

Jeanette Claus was promoted from assistant head nurse to head nurse.

Nurse Aide Delores Short was named ward clerk.

Escort Messenger Margaret Sharon Birch was promoted to telephone operator.

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