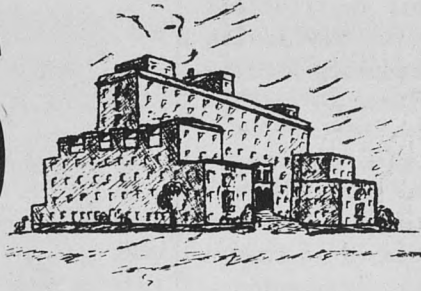


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## MAINTENANCE MEN AT WORK IN ENGINE ROOM...

*Joseph McKee, Oscar Mitchell, and Harry Urban repair water pumps. See story and additional pictures, page 3.*

### Executive Director's Column

The merger of the four institutions and agencies making up the new Jewish Hospital of Saint Louis requires assignment of new responsibilities to department heads and others.

Miss Edna E. Peterson, R. N., Director of Nursing Education and Nursing Services, has also been placed in charge of the Out-Patient Clinic. This activity is being reorganized, and the role of the Social Service Bureau in the Clinic operation is being evaluated by Miss Mary McKeever.

Miss Marguerite Humes, Comptroller, has begun to supervise the accounting section of the Miriam Hospital Division. Her office will also assist the Sanatorium and the Social Service Division in their fiscal operations.

Purchasing functions have been centralized in the office of David A. Gee, Administrative Assistant. He is also Editor of "216"; works closely with the Medical Staff and the House Staff, is Secretary of several Board and Staff committees and represents the hospital in community activities like the Civil Defense Program.

I. Joseph Shyne, former Resident in Hospital Administration, now has the title of Administrative Assistant, with supervision over the Personnel, House-keeping, Laundry, and Plant Operation and Maintenance Departments. He also serves as Secretary of the Building Committee.

Additional promotions or assignments of responsibility will be made as the Health Plan, whose objective is to create a medical center in St. Louis, is fully implemented. Promotions will be made whenever possible from among the personnel of the four divisions, depending upon their training, experience, initiative and responsibility.

*Ward Pittman M.D.*

### Personality of the Month



The Special Diet Kitchen, while known for its therapeutic meals, is chiefly noted for its fine malted milks which nearly every employee and staff member has sampled at one time or another. Helen Staten, whom the student nurses affectionately call Miss Helen, is responsible for their excellence. Even more important are her duties of making out the special diet menus each day.

Miss Helen, who has been diet tabulator since her arrival here in 1949, plays a large role in training the student nurses who are assigned to the Dietary Department for instruction in special diet preparation.

After finishing college at Hampton Institute in Virginia, Miss Helen taught Home Economics in several high schools. She gave up teaching and came to St. Louis to further the education of her daughter, Janet, who is a talented singer. Janet sang at Kiel Auditorium at the age of eight and is going to a conservatory in Chicago next year.

Although Miss Helen enjoys her work and finds it very satisfying, she would eventually like to return to teaching.

In her spare time she does some very fine crocheting and needlework as well as to make a home for her daughter and herself.

## Life in Stillson Wrench Land

In the land of the toggle-bolt, the Stillson wrench, and latex paint, lives a band of jacks-of-all-trades responsible for keeping the Jewish Hospital's physical plant in tip-top running order.

Headed by Harry Urban, chief engineer, the maintenance crews often find themselves in a position similar to that of the doctor. Diagnosing the ills of a complex building is not always fully appreciated. The hypertensive steam gauge, aneurism of the cold water pipe, and the dish washer with cholelithiasis present problems that often require extensive engineering surgery.

There are plenty of routine jobs such as replacing burned-out light bulbs and opening doors for those who misplace their keys. There are more than enough false alarms -- the best suction pump won't work when it isn't plugged in.

### MR. FIXITS

The most important aspect of the department's work is preventing equipment from breaking down, and being geared for quick repair should break-downs occur.

In addition to "Mr. Fixit" duties, the staff has experts in the fields of refrigeration, steamfitting, plastering, electricity, carpentry, and painting. A notable example of this is the work done by Fred Krahan in his carpenter's shop. A Swiss by birth, Fred achieves what everyone expects of the master craftsman in woodwork.

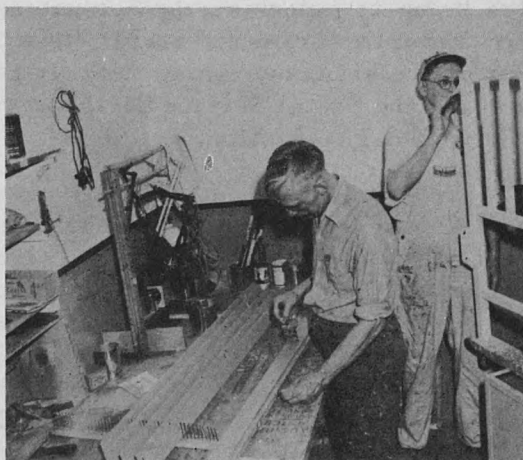
### HOME BREW

Coming up with a badly needed part, or an entire piece of equipment that cannot be bought is a specialty with these men. For some time the laboratory has had difficulty with its water still. When the problem was presented to the

Maintenance Department, they produced a homemade still from scrap parts that has been more than satisfactory. (The "revenooers" are not yet convinced that they make only water stills.)

### ALL WET

Occasionally, the engineers find they need a little help in keeping the hospital operating. Last year, with only a skeleton night crew on duty, a major pipe burst, sending 5400 gallons of water streaming through the building.



*The Paint Shop is operated by Lewis White and Charles Johnson.*

While the engineers stopped the flow of water, two detachments of firemen and a group of policemen swept water out of the pediatrics floor and obstetrical suite. After three hours of wading and reassuring high-and-dry patients, the engineers acted as hosts at a breakfast given for their allies.

In addition to repair jobs, the engineering department is also responsible for caring for the grounds, operating the elevators, and transporting oxygen tanks to the nursing divisions. Add to this a flow of 90 work requisitions and 1600 phone calls each month asking for

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## Divisional Patter

### Social Service Signals

Mary McKeever, Executive Director of JMSSB, attended the National Conference of Jewish Communal Service in Chicago.

Vivian Simon has been on vacation and attended the ordination services of her brother at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York.

We have two new clerical people in our office. Mary Ginouves as Secretary and office manager and Grace Schwartz as stenographer. Miss Schwartz replaces Tillie Raymond who left June 9.

### Miriam Murmurs

Miriam Hospital has recently added recreation to its program of total rehabilitation.

Volunteer workers from the Miriam Lodge under the direction of Mrs. Florence Weil and the Webster Groves Red Cross led by Mrs. Howard Stark have been the moving spirits. Mrs. Stanley Richman has guided the patients' planned programs. They have instituted parties and arranged for trips to the theaters, opera, and ball park. The patients



*Miriam patients play wheel chair basketball.*

themselves, led by Mrs. Gertrude McCollum, take an active part in planning the programs. In this way, the patient's motivation is kept alive and they learn self sufficiency in providing their own recreation.

### Fee Fee Frolics

Best wishes and good luck to Dorothy Henke, who is leaving after five years of service at the Sanatorium to again assume the role of a housewife.

The Women's Auxiliary held their last meeting of the summer with the attendance of about 65 women. We want to thank them again for the television set donated to the patients of the Shoenberg Building. It is very much appreciated.

Ida Johnson sends us her salutations from Niagara where she is vacationing.

### Auxiliary News

On June 16, the Membership Committee of the Auxiliary Board gave a tea at the home of Mrs. Harry Franc, Jr. Approximately 100 ladies, wives of members of the medical staff, were present.

Dr. David Littauer, guest speaker, explained some phases of the Volunteer Service program which the Auxiliary will institute at the hospital and stressed the importance of securing capable workers for all volunteer services. Mrs. Ben Loeb and Mrs. Harry Milton also reported on present progress and future plans.

The guests showed great interest and it is felt a good start has been made.

The Auxiliary urges the ladies who were unable to be present at the tea to attend the charter member meeting on October 29, at 1:30 p.m. at the United Hebrew Temple.

## New House Staff Arrives

Seven new interns and five externs reported for duty on the House Staff on July 1. There are also four new residents, three of whom are returning to Jewish Hospital after a year of training elsewhere.

This year's group is again endowed with an international set with representatives of China, Czechoslovakia, Thailand, Poland and Canada.

The members of the resident staff are: Surgery--Drs. Richard Sisson, Kenneth Serkes, Marcy Goldstein, and Sri Ratana Boonshaliew; Medicine--Drs. Greta Hahn Camel, Murray Chinsky, Sidney Goldenberg, and Yen Ping Chou; Obstetrics and Gynecology--Drs. Larry Lckovic and Dorothy Rodgers; Pathology--Dr. Nuchim Elbert; Pediatrics--Dr. Seymour Schlansky.

The new interns are: Drs. Aaron Bernstein, Abe Braverman, Jerome Gilden, Robert Karsh, Lester Nathan, Marvin Renard, and Noah Susman. The externs include: Carl Almond, Tom Taylor, John Commerford, Jere McClure, Noboru Oishi, Murdock McKeithen, William Blythe, Paul Rother, and Max Heeb.

Departing members of the House Staff

### Nurses Attend Convention

The five representatives of the Jewish Hospital who attended the American Nurses' Association Biennial Convention in Atlantic City returned with hair raising tales of the hazards of tandem bicycle riding. The ladies who graced the boardwalk were the Misses Edna Peterson, Rose McClellan, Lavera Ryder, Opal Runzi, and Mrs. Virginia Reisinger.

Miss Ryder represented the Jewish Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association, and Miss Peterson and Miss McClellan were delegates from the Missouri State Nurses' Association.

and their wives were guests of the hospital at the annual banquet June 10. The menu is always picked by the interns and residents whose gastronomic tastes are legendary. This year the cooks, under the direction of Chef George Quick, produced shrimp, fillet mignon and strawberry pie as ordered.

The dinner also marked an unofficial farewell to those who are either going into practice or on for further training in other hospitals. Those who left are Drs. Herbert Eisen, Jerome Vaeth, Helen Taylor, David Hier, Joseph Lesser, Brian Shorney, Ilse Pollock, Alan Skirball, and Richard Weaver.



*Interns, traditionally, are the most overworked people in the world as anyone of them will tell you. Officially they are on duty 108 hours each week which leaves little time for life's frivolities.*

### Miss Kacena Retires

We were extremely sorry to have one of our pioneer nurses leave the staff of Jewish Hospital this month. Miss Blanche Kacena has been director of the Out-Patient Department for 27 years. Well known by doctors, nurses (especially those who were students under her supervision), and hospital employees, Miss Kacena has retired in favor of a less strenuous life, and we wish her many years of happiness and well-being.

## Wards and Corridors . . .

### What's Scorching

Oh! that's just the Laundry. The temperature behind the mangle is around 110° these days and anyone having a chill will find this a delightful spot.

Elizabeth DeHart will leave the laundry soon on a temporary leave of absence. She is expecting a visit from Mr. Stork in September.

Odie Bates was called to Alabama quite suddenly to see her husband who is very ill.

James Holman has gone upon one of those much looked for vacations. He is going to Nebraska to visit friends and will probably take in some spots just as hot as the Laundry.

### Nursing Notes

The School of Nursing faculty has lost two of its members this season. Agnes Mazurka, Basic Sciences Instructor, is working toward a master's degree at St. Louis University; Barbara Kitchens, Instructor in Nursing Arts, has decided in favor of the carefree, peaceful job of homemaking to the trials of teaching.

Marilynn Faitz changed her name to Mrs. Gene Kenier on June 27. Congratulations and best wishes.

Overheard on the obstetrical floor - Visitor: Is "The Thing" out in the hall yet? When does she go off duty?" For a glance at this curiosity that everyone knows of but no one has seen, call Miss Kuppinger, Station 310.

The Board of Education Practical Nurse Alumni held its last meeting of the season June 26. The highlight was a report on the convention held in Colorado Springs. Mrs. Burke mentioned the progress made in the past few years and the many recommendations being

considered.

We are happy to see Mrs. Opal Schaeper on duty after her recent illness.

Welcome to the recent newcomers to the nursing staff. They include graduate nurses: Inez Seals, Jane Skelton, Elizabeth Cornell, Margie Hilleskamp, Aileen Lind, and Claire Baker; nurse attendants: Catherine Brown, Lois Lodner, Betty Barney, Cleo Barrett, Adele Parker, Arvelia Lenzy, Peggy McFall, and Dutlinde Knyrium, and orderlies: Clayton Connelly, Floyd Freeman, Kenneth Green.

### Dietary Doings

There is a strong competition going on between the kitchens and laundry with both places keeping well above the 100 degree mark. The traffic through the walk-in refrigerators has been worse than the Free Bridge on Labor Day. To add to the heat, there has been an unusual amount of hot air being blown by returning vacationers especially about fishing experiences.

Mamie Rogers had a wonderful vacation part of which was spent in Little Egypt (Illinois, that is).

June, the romantic month, marked the beginning of a new romance in the Dietary Department between "Al" and "Rosie". Details on this romance are very difficult to obtain.

### Administrative Analysis

The "wide blue yonder" calls another boy to the clouds - Joe Bubliss received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Air Force with orders to report to active duty on September 15.

Peggy Carlos, messenger, has announced her engagement to James E. Bone with the wedding planned for September.

## RECENT DONATIONS

June, 1952

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Mr. Ralph Weil's birthday	Mrs. Ralph Weil
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## Staff Rounds

Recently returned from a trip to France and Spain are Dr. J. G. Probst and Dr. Carl Heifetz. Both presented papers before the International College of Surgeons and were made honorary members of the faculty of the University of Bordeaux School of Medicine. Dr. Probst was made a member of the Board of Trustees of the International College of Surgeons at the Madrid conference.

Dr. David Feldman has been drafted into the army and reports to Camp Carson, Colorado on July 17.

## Maintenance Men At Work

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immediate service, and it is easy to see why these men are kept busy.

Whether it's constructing new laboratories, rushing oxygen to a sick child, or replacing a toaster element, the engineers are an integral part of the hospital family without whose assistance the care of the sick would be impossible.



*Fred Krahan operates a table saw while Simon Lammers and J. M. Moser look on.*

### COMPLAINT OF THE MONTH

The cashier's office had difficulty recently with an outgoing patient who argued that he shouldn't have a laboratory charges since there was no bathroom in his room.

### New Equipment Needed



Pictured above is a portable humidifying unit which is used to give patients returning from surgery a quick source of moist oxygen. They are essential in carrying on post-operative care. Although many of these units are now in use, many more are needed and can be purchased for \$49.50 each. Equipment of this type may be set up as a memorial donation.

### Seven Nurses Capped

What is so rare as a day in June? Especially that hot evening of June 27 when the students, graduates, and guests sweltered through the capping exercises that climaxed months of struggles and tears for seven happy girls.

The beautiful candlelight ceremony was necessarily brief to prevent heat casualties, but long enough to permit Miss Peterson to place caps on the seven proud heads--those of Norma Boczkievicz, Frances Coble, Mary Holderieath, Helen Ogle, Jean Placke, Rose Vitale, and Joyce Ward.

### DID YOU KNOW. . .

That during 1951, The Jewish Hospital served 673,790 meals at a cost of \$374,202.50

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