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*Shown above are August graduates of the Barnes Hospital Internship in Dietetics. Back row, left to right, are Arlene Rohrbacker, Patty Strother, Carol McCollom, and Wilma Alexander. Front row, left to right, are Magdalena Lopez, Loris Steward, and Helen Thomas.*

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Employees who have been hospitalized during the past month include BERTHA DEVOLL, Housekeeping, patient in 0405; MARTHA HENDERSON, Nurse Assistant on 3 McMillan, patient in 2418; ALBERTA STEWARD, Nurse Assistant, patient in 0405; OLGA PAGE, R. N., orthopedic patient in Wohl; THELMA PURVIS, EKG Technician, patient in 7210; JANE HENDERLITE, R. N., Head Nurse on 1100, patient in 8203; L. A. WRIGHT, Laundry, orthopedic patient in 0405; BESSIE HERBERT, Cafeteria, patient on 0400; MARGE CLIFFORD, Accounting, patient in 7246; and DORA PAYNE, Central Supply, patient on 52 Chest.....Also hospitalized during the past month were DR. WILLIAM POWERS, LINDA WEAVER, R. N., DR. ROBERT LUND, DR. JAMES PENNOYER, DR. STANLEY NATHENSON, and DR. WALTER HARTROFT..... ROSE POOLE, on Leave of Absence from the Barnes Credit Office, celebrated July 4 by presenting her husband, BILL POOLE, Maintenance, with their first child, a baby girl. Bill, who has been in the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve, has now been drafted for active duty. He could not report for Saturday morning drill meetings.....GWENDOLYN MARSHALL, Dietary,

and Mr. Edward Blakemore made their nuptial vows June 6 in St. Louis after being engaged for over four years..... LORENE ROSS, Nursing, and Mr. Charles Shanks were married in Chicago on July 7. The bridegroom is presently serving in the U. S. Navy.....Pearl of the Month: "An inferiority complex could be a blessing if the right people had it"..... KATHRYN MARSHALL, Housekeeping, and Mr. Charles L. Allen were married June 28 in St. Louis, at a small wedding. Immediately afterwards the newlyweds went to Chicago where a reception was held by their families. The couple had been engaged over three years; the bridegroom is employed by the Independent Packing Company in St. Louis.....Kurt P. Wendt, who went to Madison, Wisconsin after leaving Barnes, has accepted a position as Clinic Manager in the Warner S. Bump Medical Group, Rhinelander, Wisconsin .....Our sympathy to MRS. OTTO MIT, R. N., on the recent death of her mother, Mrs. Medlin. Mrs. Medlin was 92 years of age, and had been ill for some time. Mrs. Mit attended the funeral at Monette, Missouri.....OCTAVIO CADENA, Chief of the Clinic Laboratory, and Miss Margaret Ann Carter, formerly employed at Barnes, were married June 6.....SUSIE RYAN, Accounting, on her recent Florida vacation left Miami just in time to miss the tornado which did so much damage to Miami Beach only to run into the hurricane on Florida's east coast. We're lucky to have her back!.....JOHNETTA HODGES, on maternity leave from the Cytology Laboratory, presented her husband with a baby boy July 14. She plans to return to work in September.....MARY BICKEL, IBM, and Mr. George C. Belville were married July 4 in the First Baptist Church at Jefferson City, Missouri. Arnold Bickel, brother of the bride, performed the ceremony. The newlyweds honeymooned at Niagara Falls.....MARY

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Colonel Frank M. Townsend, USAF, MC, has been appointed Director of the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology succeeding Captain William M. Silliphant, MC, USN. Colonel Townsend is the first Air Force Officer to assume the Directorship of the Institute.

A native of Gonzales County, Texas, he studied at San Antonio College and the University of Texas. After receiving his Doctor of Medicine degree from Tulane University in 1938, he served on the house staffs of the New Orleans Southern Baptist Hospital and the New York Polyclinic Hospital. In 1940 he joined the Army Medical Corps, and in 1941 was assigned as Chief, Medical Service, Fort Amador Hospital, Canal Zone. He worked principally in malaria control with the Air Force and AAA field units defending the Panama Canal.

Colonel Townsend came to Barnes Hospital November 1, 1945 as a Fellow in Pathology and from October 15, 1946 to June 30, 1947 served as Acting Resident in Pathology. He returned to the Air Force in 1950.

He is married to the former Ann Graff of Cleveland. They reside at 11511 Lovejoy Street, Silver Spring, Maryland.

#### ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN SEPT. 21

More than 400 courses in 50 academic divisions will be offered during the fall semester at University College, adult education division of Washington University. Registration is scheduled for September 14-19, and classes begin on September 21.

Late afternoon, night and Saturday classes will be scheduled at University College on the campus. Regular classes, sponsored by University College, also will meet from 7 to 9:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at Affton Senior High School, 8309 Mackenzie Road, and Normandy Senior High School, 6701 Easton Avenue.

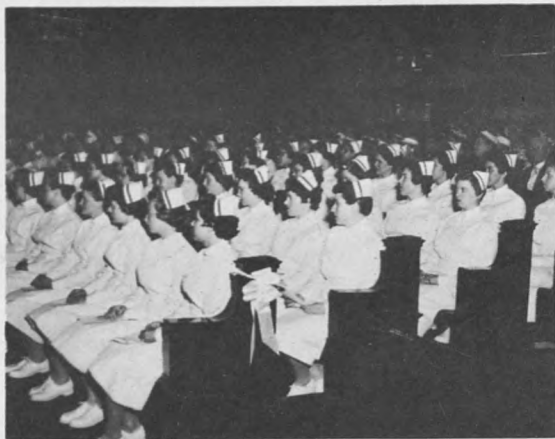
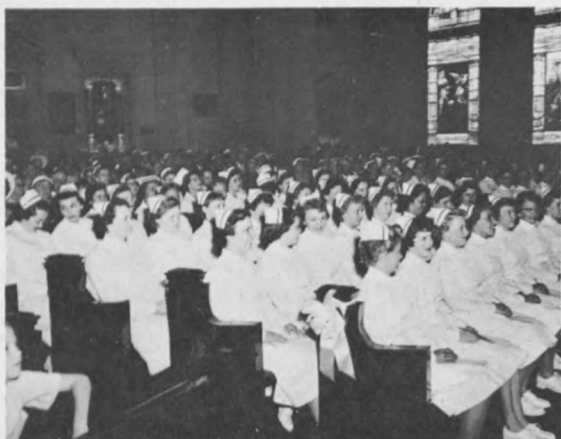
Around the clock registration will be conducted in Givens Hall on the campus from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on September 14-18. The final registration session will be in Givens Hall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on September 19. Registration for classes at Affton and Normandy will be in the two senior high schools from 7 to 9 p.m. on September 9.

An adult counseling service will be available to students without an appointment during the hours of registration in Givens Hall. The service offers aid in psychological testing, vocational and educational counseling and course program planning. Special advisors from all the major departments offering courses at University College will give counseling service in Givens Hall from 7 to 9 p.m. on September 14-18.

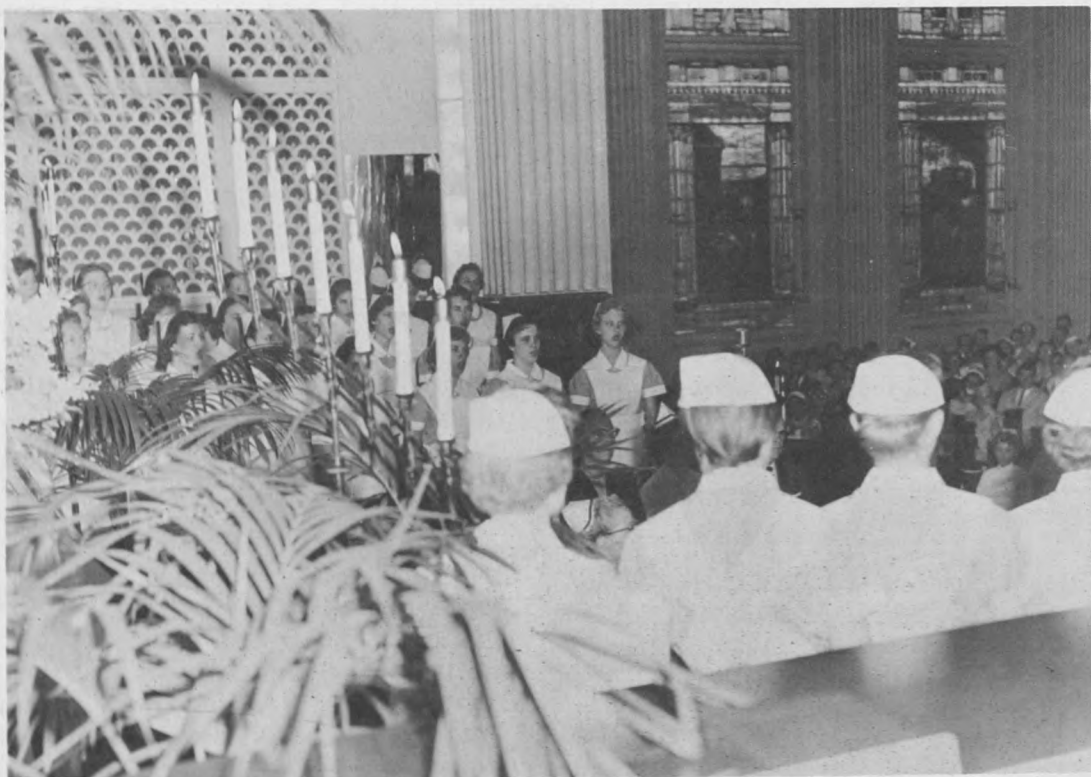
No formal application is necessary to enroll in any of the courses offered at University College. A person need only turn out during regular registration hours to enroll for any class. Catalogs giving a complete listing of courses are available without charge by writing University College Office, Box 64, Washington University, St. Louis 30, Missouri, or by telephoning PA 7-4700, Extension 212.



## STUDENT NURSES GRADUATE



*Next week the 1956 Graduating Class of the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing will don their student caps for the last time. (The class year is the year of entry rather than year of graduation.) Students are shown above at their graduation exercises held in St. John's Methodist Church.*



*Musical selections at the graduation exercises were rendered by the well-known School of Nursing Choral Group under the direction of Mr. Arlo Deibler.*

Miss Carolee Dickey has just received her diploma from Dr. F. R. Bradley, Director of Barnes and Affiliated Hospitals, and her class pin from Miss Ann Campbell, Director of Nursing Service and Nursing Education. Mrs. Grace Huey Coleman, Assistant Director of Nursing Administration, stands beside Dr. Bradley.



Students who received special awards and the awards received are, left to right, Miss Carolee Dickey, the Barnes Hospital Women's Auxiliary Award in recognition of her outstanding performance in the clinical nursing area; Miss Nancy Dukes, the Barnes Hospital Women's Auxiliary Award in recognition of her outstanding achievement in nursing theory; Miss Annette Bruere, the St. Louis County Zonta Club Award in recognition of her outstanding achievement throughout her three year program; and Miss Waunita Ferguson, the Copher Award in recognition of being the most outstanding student in the graduating class.



Students awarded top honors for their outstanding achievement throughout their three year program are shown with Miss Campbell. Left to right are Miss Marilyn Markle, Miss Mary Goodson, Miss Campbell, Miss Shirley Lair, and Miss Beverly LaFief.





BARNES HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING



NG - 1956 GRADUATING CLASS



## YOUR NEW SOCIAL SECURITY

(Editor's note: The following article was especially written for the Hospital Record by Mr. William O. Gaines, Field Representative of the Social Security Administration, Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance.)

The basic idea of old-age, survivors and disability insurance under the Federal social security law is a simple one: during working years employers, their employees, and self-employed people pay social security taxes which go into special funds and when earnings have stopped because the worker has retired, or died, or is disabled and is 50 years of age or over, benefit payments are made from the trust funds to replace part of the earnings the family has lost. Nine out of ten working people are building protection for themselves and their families under the social security law.

Here is how it works: when a person

reaches retirement age (65 for men and 62 for women) and decides to retire, he files an application for social security benefits. (He must have worked on jobs covered by social security for a certain length of time.) For those who have been regularly employed on jobs covered by social security, the following chart will show about how much they can expect by comparing their gross monthly salary with the figure nearest that amount in the top line. The amounts in that column represent the various benefits to the worker, his dependents or survivors (as shown in the left hand column) to which they may be entitled. These benefits are exempt from all taxes.

Payments to disabled persons and their dependents were made possible by recent changes in the law. Disability payments are made to workers over age 50 who become totally and permanently disabled; also, to children of the disabled worker who are under age 18 and to disabled children, regardless of age, who became

## EXAMPLES OF MONTHLY PAYMENTS BEGINNING AFTER 1958

Average monthly earnings after 1950	\$50 or less	\$75	\$100	\$150	\$200	\$250	\$300	\$350	\$400 <sup>3</sup>
Retirement at 65.....	\$33.00	\$45.00	\$59.00	\$73.00	\$84.00	\$95.00	\$105.00	\$116.00	\$127.00
Disability at 50.....									
Retired woman worker starting at:									
62 <sup>4</sup> .....	26.40	36.00	47.20	58.40	67.20	76.00	84.00	92.80	101.60
63.....	28.60	39.00	51.20	63.30	72.80	82.40	91.00	100.60	110.10
64.....	30.80	42.00	55.10	68.20	78.40	88.70	98.00	108.30	118.60
Retired couple—wife starting at:									
62 <sup>4</sup> .....	45.40	61.90	81.20	100.40	115.50	130.70	144.40	159.50	174.70
63.....	46.80	63.80	83.60	103.50	119.00	134.60	148.80	164.40	180.00
64.....	48.20	65.70	86.10	106.50	122.50	138.60	153.20	169.20	185.30
65.....	49.50	67.50	88.50	109.50	126.00	142.50	157.50	174.00	190.50
Widow, surviving child, or dependent parent.....	33.00	33.80	44.30	54.80	63.00	71.30	78.80	87.00	95.30
Widow and 1 child or 2 dependent parents.....	49.60	67.60	88.60	109.60	126.00	142.60	157.60	174.00	190.60
Widow and 2 children.....	53.10	67.60	88.60	120.00	161.60	190.10	210.20	232.00	254.10
Usual maximum family payment.....	53.00	67.50	88.50	120.00	161.60	202.40	240.00	254.00	254.00
Single lump-sum death payment.....	99.00	135.00	177.00	219.00	252.00	255.00	255.00	255.00	255.00

<sup>3</sup> A \$400 monthly average will generally not be possible for anyone who has reached the age of 27 before 1959.

<sup>4</sup> Retirement payments to women are permanently reduced if started before age 65.



disabled before reaching 18. Wives of disabled workers who are age 62 or over or who have minor or disabled children in their care may also qualify for the monthly benefits.

Workers who become permanently disabled before reaching age 50 should have their social security accounts "frozen." This action will protect them and their families' rights to benefits at a later date. To qualify for disability benefits, a worker must:

- a. Have worked five out of the ten years preceding onset of disability;
- b. Be totally disabled or, in the language of the law, be "unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity";
- c. Have been disabled for at least six months; and
- d. Be 50 years old or older.

The law has recently been amended so that some dependent parents and adopted children of deceased workers may now qualify even though they were formerly denied benefits.

There is no restriction on the amount one may earn and still receive social security benefits after reaching age 72. However, between retirement age (65 for men, 62 for women) and 72, if annual earnings are more than \$1,200, the number of monthly benefit checks due for that year will depend on the total earnings as explained below.

Annual Earnings	Reduces Number of Monthly Checks Payable by
\$1,200.01-\$1,280 . . . . .	1
1,280.01- 1,360 . . . . .	2
1,360.01- 1,440 . . . . .	3
1,440.01- 1,520 . . . . .	4
1,520.01- 1,600 . . . . .	5
1,600.01- 1,680 . . . . .	6
1,680.01- 1,760 . . . . .	7
1,760.01- 1,840 . . . . .	8
1,840.01- 1,920 . . . . .	9
1,920.01- 2,000 . . . . .	10
2,000.01- 2,080 . . . . .	11
2,080.01 or more . . . . .	12



Mrs. Pallee Moore Glen has retired on Social Security from the Housekeeping Service of the Central Diagnostic Laboratories where she has been employed since May, 1945. Co-workers planned a surprise party in her honor on the afternoon of July 17 to say good-bye and to wish her well.

Mrs. Glen, while looking forward to years of leisure ahead, says she will miss her work in the Laboratory and the many wonderful people with whom she has been associated at Barnes. The feeling is mutual, Pallee!

BUT, regardless of the above: beginning in 1959, no matter how much you earn in a year, you can get the monthly payment for any month in which you neither earn wages of more than \$100 nor render substantial services in self-employment.

And here is a suggestion that will speed up the receipt of your first social security check. Contact your nearest social security office a few weeks or months in advance of your retirement. Find out what proofs are necessary so you will have them available when you file your claim. Early filing also enables preliminary work to be done on your claim and expedites processing and payment.

## Anniversaries

### 15 YEARS

ANNA MARIE SWENSON, R. N., completed 15 years in Maternity Hospital August 3. Born in Wilmington, Delaware, she completed her nurses' training at Danvers Hospital School of Nursing, Danvers, Massachusetts. In 1922 she came to St. Louis to care for her sister during an illness, after which she began general duty at St. Louis Children's Hospital. Her nursing career was interrupted by marriage and two daughters, both of whom are now married and live in St. Louis. Mrs. Swenson's six grandchildren were all born in Maternity Hospital, and were probably quite content with the attention bestowed upon them by the Evening Supervisor! Mrs. Swenson is a member of the Episcopal Church. Her vacation each year is spent on the seashore in New Jersey, where she visits her brother. Mrs. Swenson says she isn't quite sure why Barnes after fifteen years still has a tremendous fascination for her, but that she likes it very much.

ALICE JONES celebrated her 15th anniversary in the Barnes Hospital Laundry August 3. Born in Oxford, Mississippi, Mrs. Jones has spent most of her life in Missouri and Illinois. She now lives in Venice, Illinois, and commutes to her job. Her mother, brother, and two of her sons also live in Venice. Her eldest son is a Staff Sargent in the Air Police at Scott Air Force Base. She is a widow, and enjoys spending her vacations at home to have time for visiting her friends and baby-sitting with her five grandsons. She is a member of the Baptist Church.

BERTHA BINGHAM, Senior Nurse Assistant, on August 3 completed 15 years of continuous employment on 7200. Mrs. Bingham began as a Nurse Attendent, was promoted

to Nurse Assistant in 1952, and in 1955 entered the In-Service Training Program. She was promoted from Graduate Nurse Assistant to Senior Nurse Assistant when that special category for exceptional subsidiary nursing personnel was established. Mrs. Bingham was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, but decided to live in St. Louis after coming here in 1924 to attend a summer school session. Her only son is an officer in the St. Louis Police Department. She is a member of the Samaritan Methodist Church and the Utility Circle, a fund-raising branch of the Woman's Society. Bertha says the most enjoyable part of her job is her pleasant associations with all the wonderful people with whom she works.

NORMA OBERLY, Secretary in Central Supply, completed 15 years in that department August 23. She is a native St. Louisan, and her sister and two brothers still reside here. Mrs. Oberly is a member of St. Johns United Church of Christ, and the Eastern Star. She recently returned from a Colorado vacation, where she visited Estes Park, Colorado Springs, Denver, Cheyenne Mountain Royal Gorge, the Garden of the Gods, and made a trip to the top of Pikes Peak. Mrs. Oberly says she feels very much at home at Barnes, and is making no retirement plans even though she is near retirement age.

### 10 YEARS

HARRY LEE LEWIS recently celebrated his 10th anniversary in the McMillan Operating Rooms. He was previously employed at Barnes, but resigned in 1948. He returned August 4, 1949. Harry is a native St. Louisan, married, and has two children. He served in the U. S. Army during World War II, and was stationed in the South Pacific from 1944 to 1946. Prior to his military service he was a professional musician, and has drummed



JOAN CAROL LYONS, Dietary Aide, resumed her former duties June 17..... LUCRETIA DARRIS, who worked in the Dietary Department for three years as Lucretia Banks, returned July 1 as a Nurse Aide.....KATIE L. WALKER, Nurse Assistant who took a leave of absence to become a mother, returned June 30..... ROSEMARIE SANDLING, R. N., returned July 11 on a temporary basis.....JOANNA JOHNSON, Dietary Aide, resumed her former duties July 11.....BEATRICE PASCO, R. N., returned July 11 to work

with the Harry Wind and Eddie Randall bands. He has met many famous personalities in the entertainment field, particularly while attached to Special Services with the U. S. Army. Harry and his family are members of the St. Regis Catholic Church.

CELESTE FEISE, Main Kitchen, completed 10 years of continuous employment August 26. She is presently on vacation and could not be reached for a biographical sketch.

#### 5 YEARS

Those who completed 5 years of continuous employment in August are MARY SHANNON, R. N., Nursing Supervisor (8-9-54); SHIRLEY ANN HOWARD, R. N., (8-30-54); ELLANORA MERRICK, Cafeteria (8-25-54); and JOSEPHINE M. DAVIS, R. N., Head Nurse on 4 Wohl (8-7-54).

part-time.....Former employees who returned as vacation relief this summer include CHERIE BAUGH, Clinic Admitting; GRACE RUSSO, Main Kitchen Secretary; JOAN FURLONG, Floor Secretary; HUGH BARTLETT, Orderly; MARION WALSH, Dietary Office Secretary; CLARICE ROBERTS, Clinic Cashier; PATRICIA McMANAMEE, Barnes Cashiers Office; SHIRLEY JEAN LAWSON, Nurse Assistant; NELLIE MAE JONES, Central Supply; and WILLIAM BOWERSOX, Orderly.....ABNER ROBERTS, Housekeeping, returned July 21..... BARBARA HARDRICT, former Page in the Laboratories who resigned to become a mother, returned July 15 as a Nurse Aide.....MARGARET THOMAS, R. N., returned to the W. U. Clinics part-time on July 21.....MILDRED REDEEMER, Nurse Assistant, returned July 22.....IRENE BRODIE, Nurse Assistant, resumed her former duties July 27.....RUBY PEARL DAVID, Nurse Assistant who resigned to become a mother, returned July 29.....PHYLLIS LAVERNE HILL, Nurse Assistant, returned July 29.....ERNESTINE PATTON, Dietary Aide who will be remembered as Ernestine Towns before her resignation and marriage, returned July 30.....WILLIE MAE PHILLIPS resumed her former duties August 3 after leaving June 22 to have her baby.....MABELENE ADAIR, Cafeteria Dishroom, resumed her former duties August 3.....CLARA UMMELS, R. N., who will be remembered as Clara Auten before her resignation and marriage, returned August 3.....VELMA BIGSBY, R. N., formerly employed in Maternity, returned August 3 and is now assigned to Barnes.....NELLIE ANN HEADD, Nurse Assistant, resumed her former duties in McMillan on August 3.....DELORES PETERSON, former Nurse Assistant in McMillan, returned August 3 to work in Maternity..... WILLIESTEAN FULKS, Nurse Assistant who resigned to become a mother, returned August 5.....CLIFFORD JORDAN resumed his part-time duties in Renard on August 3. Welcome back!



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

by

*George Bowles*

One of the oldest questions we know has been whether heredity or environment has the determinative influence in the life of an individual. Those who have attempted to settle the matter have written volumes of books to establish the points they have had in mind. The variety of ideas expressed has been most interesting. They have been helpful, of little value, and even confusing.

Too often the writers or speakers on this subject seem to be looking for a way out of their own personal situations. There is a tendency to blame one or the other for weaknesses and shortcomings. Perhaps

we shall see in the end that the determinative influence in the life of the individual is the individual's own reaction to what he receives from heredity or environment. This, of course, is the hard thing to accept. It is much easier to place blame.

Psychologists and certain other students of life tell us that only what we respond to influences us. How right they are! This is one of those bits of truth that becomes very personal, yet it is one of the greatest offers of a sense of security that we can find. We are highly complimented by such an assertion about living, for it says that we have a tremendous ability to direct our ways. It is not true, however, that we want to do just that.

Regardless of the side we might want to take on the subject, we can't get away from the fact that we cast an individual influence in the community in which we live, wherever that might be. It can be good, bad, or indifferent. We have that freedom.

**ATTENTION: ALL EMPLOYEES****DO YOU WISH TO MAKE A CHANGE IN YOUR BLUE CROSS?**

Blue Cross Anniversary time for Barnes Hospital Employees is here. Now is the time to change your type of plan if you failed to do so within your eligibility period, or to subscribe to Blue Cross without an extensive waiting period.

For any change please contact Personnel before September 1, 1959.

REMEMBER! IT IS BETTER TO HAVE BLUE CROSS ALWAYS AND NEVER NEED IT THAN TO NEED BLUE CROSS ONCE AND NOT HAVE IT.



## MANY GRADUATING NURSES TO REMAIN HERE

Twenty-eight students from the 1956 Graduating Class of the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing, whose last day as students will be September 3, are remaining at the Medical Center. These nurses and their first assignments as graduates are:

Patricia Andry, W. U. Clinics  
Eileen Parkin, W. U. Clinics  
Carole Sievers, W. U. Clinics  
Dorothy Piles, W. U. Clinics  
Carolyn Sims, W. U. Clinics

Inez Fair Woodruff, Renard  
Waunita Ferguson, Renard  
Myrna Gansmann, Renard  
Helen Gilkison, Renard  
Mary Laughlin, Renard  
Meredith McChristian, Renard  
Sue Morris, Renard  
Jennie Huff Knott, Renard

Patricia Dunham Sheldon, Wohl  
Sally Jarvis Jerkins, Wohl  
Beverly LaFief, Wohl

Carolyn Beatie, 0400

Inez Bruere, 1200

Dana Cottingham, 8200

Carolee Dickey, 3400

Sandra Dillon, 6200

Muriel Toberman, Pvt. Surgical

Laura King Hanley, Maternity  
Nelda Spickelmier, Maternity  
Margaret Stark, Maternity  
Mary Lou Swinger, Maternity

Ara Norris, McMillan  
Barbara Cheek, McMillan

## THE RULES OF THE GAME

No matter what games you've played--football, tennis, croquet, or checkers--you had to know the rules. Although you were told most of our rules at the time of your employment, it's a good idea to have them in writing so you can review them from time to time.

First of all, our basic philosophy:

## THE PATIENT COMES FIRST!

The PATIENT is the most important person in the hospital.

The PATIENT is not dependent on us--we are dependent on him.

The PATIENT is not an interruption of our work--he is the purpose of it.

The PATIENT is not an outsider to our business--he is our business.

The PATIENT is not someone with whom to argue or match wits.

The PATIENT is an important individual. Like you, he has feelings, emotions, prejudices, and wants. It is our job to cure him if at all possible. If his stay here proves profitable to him, we also profit.

The PATIENT is impressed by everything you say and do in his presence, so be careful to always be cheerful, pleasant, and courteous.

## THE GRAPEVINE (Continued from Page 2)

ANN RYAN, R. N., and Mr. Irvin Bruenjes were married July 11 at St. Stevens Lutheran Church in St. Louis....MARY E. WILLIAMSON, IBM, and Mr. Joseph L. Keiling made their nuptial vows July 18 at the Church of the Nazarine in Overland, Missouri.

**REPORT EVERY ACCIDENT  
TO YOUR SUPERVISOR  
NO MATTER HOW SMALL.**



## YOU MUST KEEP YOUR DRAFT BOARD INFORMED

at all times of your current address and occupation if you are a SELECTIVE SERVICE registrant or STANDBY RESERVIST. If you move or change occupation or job title, notify your draft board

### IMMEDIATELY

FAILURE TO DO SO IS A  
VIOLATION OF FED-  
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