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1949 IN RETROSPECT

Webster defines a hospital as "an institution for the medical treatment and care of the sick." It seems superfluous to add that it is the goal of every institution worthy of bearing the name "hospital" to maintain the highest standards of treatment and care for the patient, and also to improve constantly the many services offered to him. That this represents no small task is evident from the statement DR. BRADLEY made recently which places the total number of different services to average, full-equipped, general hospital performs for the patient at 3,500!

In 1949, Barnes, McMillan, and St. Louis Maternity Hospitals cared for a total of 21,761 patients. A daily average of 639 patients brought the year's total to 233,160 days of patient care! It is enlightening, at the beginning of a new calendar year, to evaluate the new services which

we have extended to these patients during the preceding year of 1949.

Early in 1949, Maternity Hospital instituted a revolutionary new plan known as "Rooming-in," a plan in which the mother keeps her baby in a crib at her bedside and feeds, bathes, and changes him. This plan is voluntary and has proved to be quite successful. In addition, Maternity Hospital has also installed wired music in the delivery and labor rooms for the benefit of those patients who are having their babies under one of the new analgesia such as spinal or caudal. A new enlarged premature nursery was opened in the fall, increasing the capacity for premature infants from 10 to 19.

Over in Barnes, the Metabolism Division was enlarged by 8 beds, thus providing badly needed space. The new space was provided by the construction of a building just off the north-east corner of the main lobby.

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The first floor of this new construction houses the new Personnel Office which was opened in September. On the opposite side of Barnes lobby, excavation was begun in the fall for the erection of a new chapel for the use of patients and their relatives. MR. WILLIAM DANFORTH is furnishing the chapel which will be known as the Danforth Chapel.

For the purpose of additional fire safety, a vault for alcohol and combustibles is in the process of completion. This is outside the hospital, but adjacent to it. Directional signs were installed inside and outside the hospital (the two in the ambulance driveways being illuminated) which will aid in the location of buildings and departments.

In September a pioneering effort to improve patient food service was begun with the use of airline equipment on some of the private floors. The new plastic equipment cuts down on noise, breakage, and cost, and is infinitely less clumsy than the traditional hospital trays and dishes.

In the middle of December, an inter-communication system was installed in the Isolation Division, enabling the patient and his relatives to talk to each other without danger of contagion.

These are some of the major changes which have taken place at Barnes within the past year. Continuing the tradition of excellent service to the patient, there will, without doubt, be many more to report for the year 1950, all of which will contribute in some way to the welfare of the patient.

 DR. FRANK R. BRADLEY WRITES ON
MEDICAL RESEARCH IN ST. LOUIS

Dr. FRANK R. BRADLEY, Director of the Barnes Group, was the author of an article on medical research which appeared in the December 30th issue of the St. Louis Star Times. Dr. Bradley has represented the medical profession for the past several years in the year-end edition of the Star Times in which is summed up the progress of St. Louis during the preceding year. At the close of 1949, the remarkable advances of medical research during the first half of the twentieth century were presented.

In his article, Dr. Bradley stated that, "With an atmosphere and cultural background in which research grows and is productive, St. Louis has attained world stature in the field of medical research." He cited the collaboration of business and industry with medicine as a cause for the outstanding success. Credit for the world renown St. Louis has achieved in this field



was also given to the two fine universities whose medical schools have contributed much in the way of pure research, and to the excellent hospitals which have contributed greatly in the way of post-graduate medical education and clinical research.

Dr. Bradley went on to say that there is evidence of St. Louis' importance as a center for medical research in the fact that Nobel prizes have been awarded a number of times to scientists whose investigations and research have been carried out in St. Louis. A number of the projects in medical research underway at the present time by St. Louis scientists were mentioned, and high hopes for the future of medical research in this city were expressed by Dr. Bradley.

4,076 people died of gas last year:
 29 inhaled it.
 47 put a lighted match to it.
 4,000 stepped on it.

ALBERT M. KELLER NAMED ACTING CHAIRMAN

It has been announced that MR. ALBERT M. KELLER has been named acting chairman of the Board of Trustees of Barnes Hospital, filling the vacancy caused by the death of the late FRANK C. RAND. Mr. Keller has been a member of the Board since 1933, and has served as Vice-Chairman since 1945.

Mr. Keller is one of St. Louis' outstanding business and civic leaders. A graduate of Central College at Fayette, Missouri, he is now President and Director of the Paul Brown Realty and Insurance Company. He is also a director of the Mercantile Bank and Commerce Company, the Security Insurance Company, and the Midland Fire and Marine Company. In addition to his trusteeship of Barnes Hospital, he also serves in that capacity for the Missouri Valley College, the Central Institute for the Deaf, the Methodist Orphanage, the Radford School for Girls at El Paso, Texas, and St. John's Methodist Church. He is active in the Municipal Opera Association and the Boy Scouts, and is a member of the St. Louis and United States Chamber of Commerce.

Our hospital has profited greatly in the past through his counseling and sincere interest. His acute understanding of social problems and his willingness to meet them have made him an invaluable aid to the Board of Trustees.

Wolf: a fellow entitled to life, liberty, and the happiness of pursuit.

REVEREND BROOMFIELD, RETIRED
METHODIST BISHOP, DIES

The REVEREND JOHN CALVIN BROOMFIELD, retired Methodist Bishop of Missouri, died January 8, at Ohio Valley Hospital in Steubenville, Ohio, following a heart attack. Many Barnes employees will remember Bishop Broomfield, for he spent much time around the hospital while he was Bishop.

Born in Eyemouth, Scotland, Bishop Broomfield came to the United States when he was eighteen years old, and after working his way through college, began his long career in the ministry. A nationally known author, lecturer, and evangelist, he was one of the leaders in bringing about the unification of the three branches of the Methodist Church in 1939. Immediately after the unification, he was named Bishop and held that post until he retired in 1944, to be succeeded by BISHOP IVAN LEE HOLT.

Since his retirement, Bishop Broomfield has traveled throughout the United States holding evangelistic meetings. He had been conducting a week of prayer in Toronto, Ohio when he was stricken with a heart attack which proved to be fatal.

HOSPITAL RECORD IN NEED
OF PHOTOGRAPHERS

The HOSPITAL RECORD is in need of a photographer, and would welcome a volunteer who would be interested in offering his services. The volume of the work would not be great and would consume very little time. Anyone who is interested in becoming a photographer on the staff of the Hospital Record is urgently requested to see MARTHA WILLIAMS in the Personnel Office.

SWEDISH NURSE ON STAFF

SONJA OGREN, Staff Nurse on 5200, is the charming exception to the rule that all Swedish people are blue-eyed and blonde. Miss Ogren has the height usually attributed to people from her native land, but her close-cropped curly hair and her eyes are dark brown. She claims that almost all girls are quite tall in Sweden, but hastens to add that "The men are all tall too, so that the girls don't mind their height at all."

Miss Ogren hails from Smaland, Sweden, and came to the United States in March, 1949, with the intention of staying in America for two years to study our methods of nursing. She came to Barnes from Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, and after a few months in St. Louis, will go on to California for further experience in one of the large hospitals out there.

Miss Ogren graduated two years ago from the Red Cross School of Nursing in Stockholm, Sweden. She has noticed quite a bit of difference between the American and Swedish hospitals, because the latter are government controlled. However, Sweden does not operate under a system of socialized medicine such as they have in Great Britain. She says that a great deal more chart work is done on patients in American hospitals than is done in Sweden, and she notes also that American doctors seem to do considerably more of the actual work on patients, rather than to direct a nurse to do it. She has discovered the American people to be unusually friendly and feels that her stay here will prove to be a profitable and valuable experience.

KNOW YOUR STAFF

A topic assigned to her in a freshman high school English class is responsible for MARGUERITE BICK'S career in Occupational Therapy. By the time she had completed the research in Occupational Therapy required for her report, Marguerite had definitely made up her mind that she wanted some day to be an occupational therapist. This leads one to wonder what she might be doing today had she been assigned another subject: wild game hunting or principles of the modern theatre, for instance!

A native St. Louisian, Miss Bick attended Roosevelt High School, and upon graduation, enrolled at what was then known as the St. Louis School of Occupational Therapy. (It has only been in recent years that

Washington University took over the school.) This was a three year course, and upon its completion, she went to work at the Occupational Therapy Work Shop. After a year there and a year at the James Whitcomb Riley Memorial Hospital in Indianapolis, Miss Bick took a job at the Traverse City State Hospital in Michigan, where she remained for 2½ years. Her first really big opportunity came when she was offered the position as director of the department of Occupational Therapy at the Hastings State Hospital in Hastings, Nebraska. After 5½ years in the latter position, she again moved north -- this time to become director of Occupational Therapy at the Milwaukee County Psychiatric Hospital in Wisconsin. In September, 1943, however, she returned home to St. Louis to take up the reins as director of Occupational Therapy

Below: a scene in the Department of Occupational Therapy, showing a few of the many diversions offered psychiatric patients. MISS BICK is standing at the bulletin board on the left.



(known as "O.T." to most Barnes employees) up on the thirteenth floor in McMillan, and has been there for over six years.

When she was asked if she had any special hobbies or interests other than her work, Miss Bick was rather amused, because it seems that in her line of work, one must be a Jack-of-all-trades. The diversions offered in O.T. are amazing, and even more amazing is the fact that the therapist has more than a slight familiarity with each of them. Courses are offered in wood and metal working, knitting, crocheting, typing, and cooking. Volley ball and basketball, group games, movies, music of all kinds, and television are also part of a typical day's activities instigated and supervised by the therapist. One of Miss Bick's ambitions, however, is to see people become more aware of the second word in Occupational Therapy. She feels that too many people think of it as merely a form of recreation for psychiatric patients, rather than as a form of treatment actually prescribed for each individual patient by the psychiatrist.

In addition to the interests she must cultivate as part of her job, she is also interested in photography and she plays both the accordion and the piano. She likes to travel and she is a firm believer in "seeing America first." Fishing is another of her favorite pastimes and she likes all kinds -- deep-sea fishing which she has done off the Florida Keys, or the bent pin and worm variety! She claims that with the enlargement of O.T., all her pet peeves vanished, and so if, around the hospital, you should happen to

run into a particularly happy and satisfied looking individual wearing a brown jumper uniform, chances are it will be Marguerite Bick, Director of Occupational Therapy.

OLD TIMERS

L. A. WRIGHT, head wash man in the laundry, was born in Starksville, Mississippi, at the turn of the century, and according to our calculations, has spent a little more than half his life at Barnes Hospital.

This month's "old timer" was one of nine children and started to work helping with the farming at a very early age. However, a great many of his friends had left home to try their fortunes in St. Louis, and so in 1919, L. A. came north, and with the exception of occasional visits home, has remained above the Mason-Dixon Line ever since. His first job was at the Independent Packing House where he was a butcher. He also worked for a short time in a round house at Willett, Ohio, as an engine washer. But in 1924, he returned to St. Louis, and on April 10, began his long career at Barnes, starting out as a delivery man. During the course of the years, he progressed from that position to tumbler operator, to wringer, and finally to his present job as head wash man.

Working for the Barnes Group is a sort of family affair, because L. A.'s wife, Lueanna, whom he married in 1920, works over in the Nurses' home. L. A. is an active member of the Leonard Avenue Baptist Church, and sings in a male chorus made up of a number of church groups. He starts his working day at 5:30

a.m. while most of us are still asleep.

He claims that his lengthy service record here is due primarily to his liking very much the people with whom he works. "I have a mighty fine supervisor too," he added, "and it makes me feel good to know that in even a small way I'm doing my part to help sick folks get well again." Our hats are off to L. A. Light, who through his many years of faithfulness, has earned the distinction of being one of our oldest employees in length of service.

IOWA FIRE A GRIM REMINDER

The fire which destroyed the St. Elizabeth Mental Ward of MERCY HOSPITAL in Davenport, Iowa, on January 7, was the second tragedy of its kind within a year. The fire, the origin of which was unknown, broke out on the second floor on the three story structure. At last count, the dead were listed at 40.

This should serve as a grim reminder to each of us to be constantly on the alert to do all in our power to maintain the highest standard of safety in regard to fires.

Patient:--"Will the anesthetic make me sick?"

Doctor:--"No, I think not."

Patient:--"How long will it be before I know anything?"

Doctor:--"Aren't you expecting too much of an anesthetic?"

BASKETBALL SEASON CONTINUES



DECEMBER 9

DENTAL SCHOOL ROLLS ALONG

The Dental School defeated Medicine 38-11 for their fourth straight

victory. These boys are yet to be defeated and it looks as though they will remain so. The scoring was comparatively even for Dental School with JUSTI and HELM getting 8 points each; DIXON, 7; MORGAN, 4; and McALLISTER leading the parade with 11. Dr. BERRY led the scoring for Medicine with 5 points, followed by Dr. ROSS with 4 and TALMAGE with 2.

Medical School won by forfeit from Surgery in the game scheduled for 8:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 13

PATHOLOGY WINS OVER ADMINISTRATION

With the help of HARRY PANHORST and HOWARD LEHWALD, Pathology tripped Administration, 29-27. The game was decided in the last few seconds of play with a desperation shot by HAWKINS about 25 feet out. Panhorst led the scoring with 7 points, with Hawkins, SNODDY and IHEN each getting 6 points and Lehwald, 4. Administration was led by ROGERS with 16 points, followed by ALDRIGE with 7 and HAGEDORN with 4. JENKINS did his part in holding down his share of the defense. Something new was started in this game -- only 4 men played on a team! Panhorst and

Lehwald took turns in calling the fouls.

MEDICINE WINS OVER OB-GYN

The 8 o'clock game was just as exciting as the one at 7:00. Ob-Gyn took it on the nose from Medicine, with a score of 33-28. Dr. LIPMAN led Medicine with 17 points and Dr. BERRY was close behind with 14. Dr. ROSS collected 2 to end the scoring for Medicine. Drs. GIESELMAN, STEWART, McINERY and FORRESTER gave their support in holding Ob-Gyn. The Maternity team was led by Dr. BONEBRAKE with 11 points, and MYRES with 10, Dr. CRITES and Dr. COCKRELL with 2 each and Dr. MAGALLON with 3.

DECEMBER 16

ADMINISTRATION HANDS A VICTORY TO MEDICAL SCHOOL

Administration, leading by six points in the last three minutes of play, sagged defensively and the Medical School boys took advantage and scored 5 quick buckets. The score ended 37-33--Medical School, the victor. Take nothing away from the Doctors-to-be, because they were out to win and did so. DUNLEVY led the students with 8 points, and FULLER, BURCHFIELD, BROWN, ADAMS, EPP, and O'KEEFE got 4 points each, while WELLS got 3 and CALDWELL, 2. ROGERS led Administration with 12 points. LANSCHÉ, a Medical Student, playing with Administration got 8, HAGEDORN got 5, and ALDRIGE, BERGSTED, LEHWALD and DAVIS, another Medical Student, got 2 each.

DENTAL SCHOOL WINS ANOTHER GAME THIS TIME BY FORFEIT

The Pathology boys did not show, and so Dental School won by forfeit, 2-0 in the 8 o'clock classic.

January 3

PATHOLOGY WHIPS OB-GYN 38-36

Pathology, out strong for this game, overcame a half-time deficit of 8 points to beat Ob-Gyn by 2 points. The game was fast and clean. LANSCHÉ led Pathology with 18 points, followed by SNODDY with 8, HAINES with 6, IHNEN with 4 and ROBERTS with 2. DR. BONEBRAKE got 18 points; HAWKINS, 2; SARTORIUS, 3; and ROGERS, playing with Ob-Gyn, added 12 points to their score.

In the 8 o'clock game on January 3, Administration and Surgery tied with a forfeit score of 2-2.

In the games through January 10, meetings, appointments, dates, wives or what-have-you created a number of postponements. Games scheduled for January 13 ended the first round of play. (At the time of publication, no report had been received on these games). Another round will be played ending sometime in February.

Employees of the hospital do not realize how entertaining the basketball games can be. Come on out for this second round and see some fast, clean and thrilling basketball games. The gym is located at the Second Presbyterian Church, Taylor and Westminster. There are games every Tuesday and Friday nights, beginning

at 7 o'clock. There will be a game on January 24, featuring the Dental School vs. Ob-Gyn in the 7 o'clock game and the Medical School vs. Pathology at 8 o'clock.

LEON ROGERS, *Sports Editor*

ON THE SCENE

FRED MENENDEZ, IBM Department, became the proud papa of a 6 lb., 7 oz. baby girl the day after Christmas. Fred claims Paul Revere had nothing on him when it comes to mad dashes through the countryside in the wee small hours! The new addition has been named Melody Ann. -- It's certainly swell seeing MARGIE HYATT, Dietitian, around the hospital again. Margie returned to work on January 2. --- The \$64 question during the big ice storm - "and how did you get to work today?!" --- Everyone was sorry to learn of the death on Christmas Eve of the mother of MARY SMITH, Linen Room. --- JULIETTA WITHINGTON, evening Floor Secretary on 800 Maternity, had a wonderful trip over Christmas which included a visit with her daughter in Texas and a short stop in Tuscon, Arizona and Old Mexico. After covering all that territory without a mishap, she wound up her trip in grand style by getting a ticket for speeding on her way to work the first day back! --- JEANNETTE CHAMBERLAIN, Medical Records Librarian, is back at work after a bout with ptomaine poisoning. --- The stork is planning a visit in July to FLORENCE PASPALAS, part-time employee in Barnes Credit Office. --- Several members of the Barnes Group

have become celebrities since their pictures appeared in the January 17th issue of Look Magazine. The Heinz Soup Company featured a picture of Barnes Drug Store Fountain in their advertisement, in which CLARE BANGERT, Fountain Girl, was shown serving some of the famous soup to MARIAN SIZELOVE, Dietary Educational Director, SHIRLEY BRADLEY, Student Nurse, and DR. MARVIN GRODY. --- The Tabulating Department is losing one of its employees this month - good luck on the new job, EVA LOUISE OSBORNE! --- EUNICE BARRY, Maternity Credit Manager, entertained all of the girls on the first floor at her home on January 10. From the reports, everyone must have had a marvelous time. --- PATRICIA DAHMS, Assistant Head Nurse on 5200, and Dr. HARVEY BERNARD were married on January 10. Pat plans to continue with her work at Barnes after the honeymoon. --- We were all sorry to tell HOWARD LEHWALD, Assistant Evening Administrator, "Good-bye," but he has our very best wishes for success in his new job as Administrator of the Chippewa County War Memorial Hospital in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. --- The members of Barnes Admitting Office really believe in following the sun: DON KLINE, Page, has just returned from a four day trip to California in a privately owned plane, and CLOY SHELTON, Secretary, has just returned from a two week stay in Florida. --- ELLA JANE GLENN, Head Nurse on 6200, had a most enjoyable two week vacation during the holidays, as did DELLA PURTLE, Barnes Accounting, who gave the home folks in Blytheville, Arkansas a treat at Christmastime by spending several days there. Della reports that she

returned home with a little less cash and a little more weight. --Oh, those Christmas dinners!---The gang in Barnes Record Library was honored by visits from some of the former interns on Medical Service, to wit: Drs. CLAY BARRITT, JAMES SWEIGER, and BERNARD GARFINKEL. --- Mrs. HELEN RUNNING, Floor Secretary on 2100, became a grandmother on Friday, January 13. Her daughter gave birth to a girl, 6 lbs., 15 oz., at Maternity Hospital. --- "She's the cutest little dickens I ever saw, was the statement made by LEON ROGERS, Accounting, after viewing his new 6½ lb. daughter, Terrie, for the first time. She was born on Friday, the thirteenth!!

ON THE SCENE REPORTERS
FOR JANUARY

Elaine Freistein

Lillian Harris

Lorraine Hurtt

Judy Kelley

Angie Laury

Joan Sellenrick

Beatrice Stewart

Martha Tralles

*Magnesia and Amnesia are not similar.
When you have Amnesia, you don't
know whether you're coming or going.*

*It is better to keep your mouth shut
and have people think you are a fool
than to open it and remove all doubt.*

Chemistry Lesson

*Analysis of the creature known a
woman as seen through the eyes of
the chemist:*

Symbol: Wo

Accepted Atomic Weight: 120

*Physical Properties: Boils at
nothing; freezes at any minute.
Melts when well treated; very bitter,
if not well used.*

*Occurrence: Found wherever
exists.*

*Chemical properties: Possesses
affinity for gold, silver, platinum,
and precious stones. Violent reac-
tion if left alone. Able to absorb
great amounts of food matter. Turns
green when placed beside a better
looking specimen.*

*Uses: Highly ornamental, useful
as a tonic in the acceleration of
low spirits, and an equalizer in the
distribution of wealth. Probably
most effective income reducing agent
known.*

*Caution: When in inexperienced
hands, can be very explosive.*

*A six-year-old youngster had seen
his first football game. The fea-
ture that caught his chief approval
became evident when he concluded
his prayers that night with:*

*God bless mama,
God bless papa,
God bless Freddie,
Rah! Rah! Rah!*

*"Meanest guy in the world is the
fellow who is deaf and never tells
his barber."*