# Nursing School Graduates 51 On Aug. 26

Fifty-one nurses, members of he eighth graduating class of the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing, received their diplomas in a program Aug. 26 at St. John's Methodist Church. Twenty-four of the new nurses will join the staff at Barnes.

Frederic M. Pierce, President of the General American Life Insurance Company, told the class, "You are needed badly," in his commencement address. He pointed out that it has been estimated that to provide full adequate nursing service for the nation would require at least 70,000 more nurses, and by some calculations, over 300,000 more.

"The degree to which Medicare will aggravate this already acute shortage cannot now be estimated . . . fortunately, there are forces at work that will have the effect of reducing the non-nursing functions of today's nurse. Electronics and automation are becoming important tools in freeing the nurse to do more nursing."

Harry Panhorst, Barnes director, introduced Mr. Pierce. Mrs. Josephine Hackett, director of ursing, welcomed the group. The invocation was given by Barnes Chaplain George Bowles. Musical selections were given by the Nursing Student Choir, under the direction of Kenneth G. Schuller, with Christian Hahn, organist.

Miss Helen M. McMurtry, associate director of Nursing Education, presented the class. Donald J. Horsh, associate director, awarded the diplomas. Miss Elizabeth C. McIntosh, director of the Forest Park Division of the Junior College Nursing program distributed the school pins. The alumni presentation was made by Alumni President Miss Kathryn McThompson. Each girl received a red rose.

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### Peggy Proctor Larkin Died July 20 in Wis.

Mrs. Watson Bright Larkin, the former Peggy Proctor, who was known to many members of the Barnes Hospital staff, died July 20 of cancer in a Marshville, Wisc. hospital.

Mrs. Larkin was a niece of Dr. Charles Eyerman. She was employed as a secretary in the McMillan Doctor's Office before she was married in July, 1949, to Dr. Larkin, an ENT Resident in McMillan Hospital at the time.

Dr. and Mrs. Larkin and their two children made their home in Eau Claire, Wisc. Among her friends at Barnes, Peggy Larkin was known for her gracious personality, cheerfulness and kindness.



Members of the 1965 Barnes Hospital School of Nursing Class which graduated Aug. 26, are, left to right: First Row: Marianne Schenck, Ruth Terrill, Sandra Pabst, Elizabeth Turigliatto, Barbara Templeman Cunningham, Mary Harrell Grosse, Karen Boling Wasserman, Nina Shubert, Anita Dennison, Donna Beard Vukelich, Chryl Gunn, Margaret Cline Bell, Sheila Hurtgen Moss, Pamela Dye, Cheryl Holtman, Geraldine Beckfield. Second Row: Saundra Roberts McRoberts, Joan Wommack, Nancy Maucker, Patricia Butz, Sandra Parkinson, Judy Payne Gamblin, Mary Fairfield Prendergast, Barbara Adams Crane, Donna Farmer, Sandra Francisco, Anita Kenady, Nelda Irving, Carol Liess, Judith Towse. Third Row: Judith Strobl, June Walker, Barbara Adams Hutchison, Diane Lucas, Nancy Blume Gass, Betty Temples, Janet Wood, Phyllis Jack, Catharine Connelly, Kenney Chappee, Patricia Hiner, Mary Colyer, Marilyn Hoffsten, Linda Michaels Rincker, Janet Bauman. Not Pictured: Katharine Pelletier, Carol Darling, Barbara Malone, Donna McKinley, and Judith Periman.



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## Burn Unit Benefit Planned Oct. 8 Will Include Fashion Show, Supper

A "Fashion Extravaganza", followed by a champagne supper, will be held on behalf of the Barnes Hospital Auxiliary and the Wishing Well Friday, Oct. 8, at the Stix, Baer and Fuller store at 603 Washington Ave.

Tickets for the event are \$12.50. The Barnes Hospital Burn Unit will receive the entire proceeds from the fashion show and supper. Stix, Baer and Fuller are sponsoring the event as part of the store's "Salute to St. Louis" celebration, scheduled Oct. 4-16 to highlight some of the contributions which St. Louis has made to the world.

The fashion show will be held at 7 p.m. on the third floor. The champagne supper will follow in the Missouri Room on the sixth floor.

Mrs. Edwin M. Clark is chairman of the benefit committee, which includes Mrs. Edwin R. Culver III, Mrs. G. Frederick Driemeyer, Mrs. Richard S. Hawes III, Mrs. Harriet Hickel, Mrs. Milton G. Kahle, Mrs. M. Mandel, Mrs. J. G. Probstein, Mrs. Walter L. Thielecke, Mrs. G. Z. McLeod, Mrs. Frank Pelton, Jr., and Mrs. Harry E. Wuertenbaecher.

The Barnes Hospital Burn Unit is gravely in need of increased facilities and financial underwriting. Set up originally for four patients, the unit now often treats as many as 15. Utilization of a new concept in application of silver nitrate to extensive burns has resulted significantly in reducing mortality and the need for skin grafts. As a result, the unit has attracted international interest —and, an influx of patients.

Larry Johnson, ABC-TV news cameraman wounded while filming the Vietnam conflict, recuperated last month in Barnes Hospital. Shown at right with his wife, June, Mr. Johnson was hit with a fragment from a Viet Cong hand grenade in the neck and wrist. Johnson formerly was with KTVI-TV in St. Louis.



**Viet Nam Casualty** 

## **Outstanding Students Visit Barnes With Danforth Award Tour**

Ninety-four outstanding college students toured Barnes Hospital last month as part of the annual Danforth Award tour. The young people, 51 senior girls majoring in home economics and 43 young men, all seniors with majors in agriculture, represented nearly every state in the U. S., plus Canada and Puerto Rico.

The young people are selected by the deans of their schools, and are considered by their faculty to be the leading student at the college in their fields. They spend two weeks in St. Louis, touring institutions which fit their interests, and two weeks in a leadership training program at Camp Miniwanca, Mich.

The aim of the Danforth Award is to widen the horizons of these young people, giving them new skills and insight to equip them to make more contributions to the society. The Award was instituted in 1936 by William H. Danforth, former chairman of the board and founder of the Ralston Purina Company. Mr. Danforth had great interest in young people and in encouraging them to make the most of their capabilities.

The girls were at Barnes July 27, the boys came Aug. 10. The groups had morning meditation with Chaplain George Bowles in the Barnes Chapel, were welcomed by Director Harry Panhorst, viewed surgery, and visited many areas of the hospital, including the dietary department, the diagnostic laboratory, activity therapy, and the burn unit.

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Miss Janet Bauman was awarded the Copher Award for outstanding total performance for three years. She received a \$450 scholarship for further study from Dr. Glover H. Copher, M.D.

Winning the St. Louis County Zonta Award for the second outstanding total performance for three years was Mrs. Barbara Templeman Cunningham. Miss Leola Fedder, Zonta Club president, presented the \$50 award.

Mrs. Kenneth Gable, first vice president of the Barnes Hospital Women's Auxiliary presented \$50 to Mrs. Karen Boling Wasserman for theoretical excellence. The other Auxilliary award of \$50 for clinical excellence was shared by Mrs. Margaret Cline Bell and Miss Donna Farmer.

Three other graduates, Mrs. Barbara Adams Hutchison, Miss Nancy Maucker and Miss Nina



Danforth Award winners pause for pictures at Barnes Hospital during their tour.

### J. Boyer to Lead AHA Sponsored Personnel Group

John Boyer, Barnes assistant administrator in charge of personnel, is the president-elect of the newly formed American Society for Hospital Personnel Administrators, sponsored by the American Hospital Association.

Mr. Boyer was elected at the first convention of the group, held in Philadelphia July 12-18. He will be the second president of the organization when he assumes this office next year.

During the program, Mr. Boyer led discussion groups and talked on "Determining Objectives of Personnel Administration in Hospitals." Following this convention was a conference on Labor Relations in Hospitals, held July 15 and 16 in Philadelphia, which Mr. Boyer attended.

From Philadelphia, Mr. Boyer went directly to Baton Rouge, La., where he was a special speaker at the annual convention of the Louisiana Hospital Asociation. In Baton Rouge, Barnes' personnel director made two talks. Mrs. Boyer accompanied him on both trips.

Shubert, were given honorable mention as students ranking in the top of the class.

## Mrs. Beckwith Presented Plaque By Last Nurse Assistants Class



Mrs. Bertha Beckwith, R.N., was awarded a plaque by her last nurse assistants' class this month, signed by all members of the class and Mrs. Dorothy Chesnut and Miss Elizabeth Berry, instructors who assisted Mrs. Beckwith with the class. Above, Mrs. Beckwith, center, admires the plaque with Nurse Assistants Miss Beverly Franklin, left, and Mrs. Betty Filer, right, who graduated in the class. Mrs. Beckwith is retiring from the staff development department, after teaching the classes for eight years, training a total of 849 nurse assistants. This fall she will assume new duties in the nurses residence building.

## Contributions to Barnes Hospital Tribute Fund

Contributions received are used for research, new equipment and other worthy undertakings at the medical center. The following contributions were received during the period May 15, 1965 to August 15, 1965. Contributions to this fund may be made by sending checks, payable to the Barnes Hospital Tribute Fund to: Mrs. Helen Edison, 4 Fordyce Lane, St. Louis 24, Mo.; Mrs. Elizabeth Driemeyer, 6 Southmoor, 5, or to Tribute Fund, Barnes Hospital Plaza, St. Louis, Mo. 63110.

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#### Chaplain's Corner By George A. Bowles

Vacations are just about over for most of us, or should we mention that? In a true spirit of thanksgiving we should re-mind ourselves that we were that they are here to have one I of ISty Lyuis University, the coming in the days ahead. It is the team conducting the study of only the cynic of the extreme under a federal grant pessimist who would take the attitude that it is the same old thing every year, another twelve months to slave before he can have another. Vacations are valuable or valueless, depending largely on the viewpoint we take. It is encouraging to know that the most common expression we hear about this block of days in our annual program of living is in regard to the joy of being back home again, and being at work. That is as it should be.

Now the glorious month of September is upon us again. This is something of a month of starting all over again. Children will fill the streets again, and schools will be open to receive them. Young people will be going to various parts of the land to receive training of an advance nature, in order that they might prepare to help meet the needs of the day in which we live. Some will be launching out upon new tasks and new responsibilities for the first time. For most of us it will be to continue with the same work that we have been doing for

## TWO RESEARCHERS JOIN STAFF OF NURSING STUDY

Work on the nursing research project now under way at Barnes is progressing at a rapid rate, with two researchers added to the staff of Dr. Dagmar Brodt, research coordinator at Barnes, and Joseph V. McKenna.

Miss Patricia Ensley and Miss Patricia Shaffer, both with B.S. and M.S. degrees in nursing, are each giving 20 hours a week to the project. Miss Ensley, is also a relief supervisor at Barnes, and Miss Shaffer works the remainder of the week as a nursing instructor at Missouri Baptist Hospital.

The team has developed eleven 5-point scales for measuring patient welfare, and will rate individual patients as they progress towards recovery.

Such things as the prevention of complications, the preservation of body defenses, and the

some time, but we can still make it the month of starting all over again.

There should be some appropriate way to label this month which opens the whole great vista of autumn, with all of the meaning that we relate to it. We use such words as maturity, renewal, and rejuvenation. It is easier just to live it.

### **U. of Ill. Graduate Student Does Recreation Field Work at Renard**



Sharon Johns, therapeutic recreation student at University of Illinois, was at Barnes for eight weeks to fulfill field work requirements for a Masters' degree in therapeutic recreation. Above, Sharon is conferring with Merle Aukamp, recreation director, at left, and Dr. Robert Woodruff, chief psychiatric resident, right. Sharon is the first student to complete her degree work at Barnes, as the University of Illinois recently accredited Barnes as an agency for their candidates for the graduate degree.



Now interviewing patients in connection with research into the service manager system are Dr. Dagmar Brodt, pictured at center, above, and her two research assistants, Miss Patricia Ensley, left, and Miss Patricia Shaffer, right.

transition from the state of dependence will be noted.

A random sampling technique will be used, matching areas with and without service managers according to intensity of patient care needed. In this way, the team plans to ascertain if the freeing of the nurse from administrative duties is actually resulting in better patient care.

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### BARNES PANEL WILL **DISCUSS CARPETING**

"To Carpet or Not To Carpet" is the title of a program which will be presented by Barnes Hospital personnel at the housekeeping institute of the Catholic Hospital Association of the U.S. and Canada, which will be held at the Statler Hilton Hotel Sept. 13 - 17.

Nancy Craig, assistant di-rector, Joseph Greco, associate director, and Dillon Trulove, executive housekeeper, will discuss the pros and cons of carpeting in patient care areas in a hospital, during the presentation, scheduled at 2 p.m. on Sept. 16. Barnes will also demonstrate carpet cleaning methods.

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