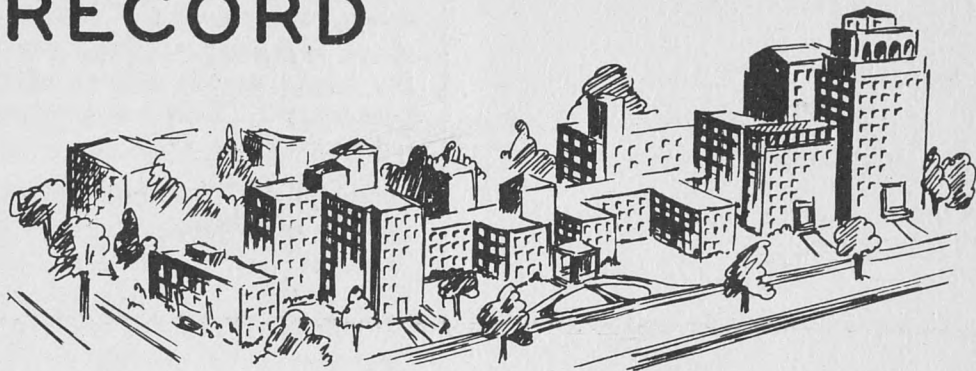


# HOSPITAL RECORD



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### DIRECTOR OF MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT VISITS W. U. CLINICS

Miss Ruth Fairisey, Executive Officer and Assistant Director of Nursing Service of the Out-Patient Clinics at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts, was a recent visitor to Washington University Clinics. Miss Fairisey came here to learn more about our technique in pre-registration and the processing of new clinic patients. She also showed a great deal of interest in the utilization of the Nursing Department in our Clinics.

Miss Fairisey accepted her present position in March of this year. Prior to that she served seven years in public health nursing service and also taught public health nursing science for seven years. Miss Fairisey received her diploma from Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing in 1938. In 1940, she received a

certificate in Public Health from Simmons College in Boston, and in 1948, she received a B.S. degree from Simmons. Miss Fairisey also holds a Masters degree in Public Health Administration from Harvard University.

In discussing her visit to Washington University Clinics, Miss Fairisey stated that she was particularly impressed with the maximum utilization of clinic space, the efficiency of the record room and, most of all, the courtesy of the non-professional employees. She stated that she had a very enjoyable time and learned a great deal while visiting our clinics. She also expressed her appreciation to administration and the many employees for their information relative to the Clinics.

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FROM THE



EDITOR'S DESK

Punctuality is a very important part of each individual's life. There are times when great opportunities are lost by very deserving persons simply because they were not on time for an appointment. Perhaps nothing quite this unfortunate will happen to the majority of us. However, as employees of a hospital, we are in a business where punctuality is of utmost importance. The welfare of the patients is our primary consideration, no matter what department we work in or what our position may be. When we are not on our jobs at the assigned time, we weaken the strength of our department which, in turn, affects the care of the patients. Perhaps you think that, if you arrive at work ten minutes late each day, it won't hurt anything or anyone but, if you add together all of these minutes at the end of a year, the number of hours comes to a high total. Then you can readily understand why patient care is endangered when you come on duty late. Being at your job on time is also a courtesy to the employee whom you are relieving. This is true primarily in

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## DANFORTH GIRLS TO VISIT BARNES HOSPITAL

On Tuesday, July 27, a group of 48 young women will spend the day at Barnes Hospital as a part of their two-week stay in St. Louis as the guests of the Danforth Foundation. This has been an annual occurrence since 1936.

In that year, the Danforth Foundation and the Ralston Purina Company of St. Louis first offered the Danforth Summer Fellowship to Home Economics seniors. The plan of the Danforth Fellowship is to bring together outstanding young women from leading state universities for a four weeks' program of study, research, leadership training, and fellowship. The program was designed to give young women on the brink of graduation an insight into the business world and help them to adjust themselves to their jobs after graduation. The four-week program includes a two-week camp experience in addition to the time spent in St. Louis.

Since 1936, the Fellowship has become widely recognized internationally. Mr. William H. Danforth, Chairman of the Board and Founder of the Ralston Purina Company and President and Founder of the Danforth Foundation, is tremendously interested in the activities of this group and gives considerable time to helping build the program.

First thing on the agenda for the day that the young women are to spend at Barnes is a talk by Dr. Frank Bradley, Director of the Barnes Medical Center, who will welcome the girls and speak on "The Barnes Hospital Group". This will be followed by a trip to one of the operating amphitheaters where they will view an operation. After leaving the operating floor they will go to the Clinics where each of them will have a chest film made. After a brief recess, Miss Henrietta Becker,

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## ART EXHIBITIONS FEATURED IN BARNES LOBBY

The east display window of the drug store located in Barnes lobby offers employees and visitors a unique opportunity to view the exhibition of some of the latest works by outstanding artists in St. Louis. The origination of these exhibitions began seven years ago when Dr. Frank R. Bradley, Director of the Barnes Medical Center, extended an invitation to Miss Ada Hanvey, Secretary to Dr. Evarts Graham and a well known local artist, to display some of her works in the window. However, she preferred to accept the invitation only as a member of a group of contributors. This arrangement led to the exhibitions of a well known artist group - the Missourians, of which Miss Hanvey is a charter member. Other contributors are: John Baker, Eda Lincoln Cushing, Fred Dreher, Mabel Meeker Edsall, James Harmon, Katherine Haven, Edward E. Menges, Jr., Elizabeth Phelan, Jessie Beard Rickly, and John Wallace, all of whom are members of this group.

The Missourians is a small group of noted St. Louis artists - painters, sculptors, and printmakers - who formed together in 1946, and is dedicated to the projection of wider comprehension of and participation in the contemporary in the arts. The work of its members is characterized by its individuality and by the emphasis placed upon genuine creativity as the obligation of every sincere artist. The members of this group have been the recipients of numerous awards both locally and nationally. The Missourians has set a new record for receiving more awards to date in 1954, than any other St. Louis group of artists. Some of the prize winning works of this group are currently on exhibition at the St. Louis City Art Museum.

Barnes Hospital, the only hospital in the city that holds a continuous exhibition of

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## INTRODUCING



Mrs. Hazel Overton, Official Full Time Hostess, who recently became a member of our administrative staff at Barnes. Mrs. Overton was previously employed as Social Secretary and Business Manager of the Chancellor's Residence at Washington University. She served in this capacity for nine years.

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Hotel Clerk: "I'm sorry, but you can't have room service."

Guest: "Oh, that's all right."

Clerk: "You'll have to make your own bed."

Guest: "That's all right."

Clerk: "You'll find hammer, saw, lumber, and nails in the back room."

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Then there were the two red corpuscles who loved in vein.



## KNOW YOUR STAFF

Mr. Frank Simek, Assistant Resident in Hospital Administration, is quite well known to the majority of our employees. During his internship here he visited many different departments and studied their functions and operations, thereby meeting a great number of the employees.

In 1949, Mr. Simek received a B.S. degree from John Carroll University which is located in his home town of Cleveland, Ohio. After serving two years in the Medical Service Corps, Mr. Simek entered the Course in Hospital Administration at Washington University. He received his Master's degree in June, 1954.

As for hobbies, Mr. Simek reports that he recently purchased a movie camera and is having a great time trying to learn many of the tricks in photography. He also is quite proud of the tomatoes that are growing in his vegetable garden. In the field of sports, baseball is his favorite. This  
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## PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH

Miss Marie Baugh, Chief Technician in the Blood Bank, will soon celebrate her twelfth year anniversary as an employee at Barnes Hospital. She joined our staff in August of 1942, and was promoted to her present position in 1947.

Miss Baugh was born and grew up in Vincennes, Indiana. She attended Vincennes University for two years and then came to St. Louis where she entered Gradwohl School of Laboratory and X-Ray Technique. Following her graduation, Miss Baugh accepted a position as laboratory technician at Alton Memorial Hospital where she stayed for three and a half years. She was also employed at Koch Hospital for five months prior to accepting a position at Barnes.

Miss Baugh, who shares an apartment with another technician, says that she has few outside interests. After getting off duty she likes to go home and just relax.  
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## A REVIEW OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION

What is Social Security? Actually, it is much more than a taxation program to help people who have become too old to work. It is an attempt by our government to provide workers and their dependents with a minimum basis of economic security. We are probably more familiar with the old age and survivors insurance program, which is just one of the nine programs involved in the legislation. The others include unemployment insurance, old age assistance, aid to the needy blind, aid to dependent children, aid to the permanently and totally disabled, maternal and child health services, services for crippled children, and child welfare services. The old age and survivors insurance program is administered by the federal government, while the others are administered by state agencies with the aid of federal contribution.

The principle of the old age and survivors insurance program is to require the individual to contribute part of his earnings during his productive lifetime to a fund from which payments providing a minimum security can be guaranteed to the worker upon his retirement. If the wage earner dies prior to retirement age, leaving survivors, particularly widows with dependent children, substituted payments are made to them.

The Act was originally passed in 1935, took effect in 1936, and has been modified and broadened on numerous occasions. Extensive changes to the old age and survivors insurance law have been proposed in the present congressional session. In general, these include the following: changing the benefit formula; changing the method of computation of the average monthly wage; broadening the tax basis to \$4200 annually instead of the present maximum of \$3600; extension of coverage to groups which are not now covered and allowing voluntary coverage in some instances; revising the retirement tests;

and freezing the benefits of disabled persons. If all of these are put into effect, it will actually be a complete remodeling of the present Social Security System.

Coverage under old age and survivors insurance depends upon the number of covered quarters the worker has compiled. A worker may be either "fully insured" or "currently insured", depending upon his having been employed in a covered occupation for a requisite number of quarters. If he is fully insured and currently insured, he is entitled to all benefits--either retirement or survivors. If he is only currently insured, he would be entitled to only some of the survivors benefits. If fully, but not currently insured, he may receive most of the benefits available. Under the present law a worker can be fully insured if he has been paid \$50.00 or more in each of at least half as many calendar quarters as there are between December 31, 1950, and the quarter in which he reaches the age of 65 or in which he dies. If the worker became 21 after 1950, he need only have been paid \$50.00 or more in forty quarters, or in at least half the number of complete calendar quarters as there are between his twenty-first birthday and the time he dies.

Military service between September 15, 1940, and July 1, 1955, by special provisions, may furnish wage credits of \$160 per month which count the same as any other wages. The veteran must have served 90 days of active service and not have received a dishonorable discharge. Military service credits are not included automatically in computing your coverage. They must be applied for and proved when applying for retirement benefits. This \$160 per month wage credit may not be an advantage to some workers, but would be of immediate advantage to the survivors of a  
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serviceman who died in military service or who died since discharge before accumulating 40 quarters of coverage from other employment.

Social Security for the average employee is deducted from each of his pay checks and his employer matches this amount and sends the total to the Bureau of Internal Revenue to be deposited in the employee's account. The present rate of taxation is 2% of the first \$3600 earned during a calendar year. Under the present law, this rate will be increased to 2½% in 1960.

Certain types of work are not covered under the present legislation, and other types may be covered in certain instances. Generally speaking, those not covered include: services performed for a member of one's family; work done by members of the clergy in exercise of their ministry, or by members of religious orders in performing work required by the order; work done for a college or university by enrolled students; work done in a hospital by interns and student nurses. Those who may possibly receive benefits are railway employees, household employees, agricultural employees, and some government employees. Employees of non-profit organizations may be covered if two-thirds of the employees desire it and the organization takes steps to qualify with the Director of Internal Revenue.

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Director of the Dietary Department, will speak to the group on the subject of "Hospital Dietetics", and will accompany them on a tour of various divisions of the Dietary Department. The afternoon program will include a tour of the Barnes Hospital group and the Washington University School of Medicine.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

by

GEORGE BOWLES



There is a certain amount of variety in the living of each day that we are privileged to have come our way. In fact, there is generally more than the pessimist is willing to admit. He seems to get a certain sense of satisfaction out of making references to the dullness and the humdrum of his daily existence. On the other hand, the one interested in the brighter side of life is able to find variety and make use of it.

The use that is made of any element of life is dependent upon the individual. The process actually does not stop there for there is a very real relationship between the groups to which we might belong. The one who arranges to live unto himself does not learn much about variety or any of the other fine elements that are available to all of us.

One of the great misconceptions that we sometimes encounter is that variety is available to a select few, those who can pay for the material things that we see about us. How far from the actual truth! In fact, one could make a good case to prove that the opposite is so often true. We have all had the privilege of knowing people with very little of the goods of the world who have amazed us with the variety of living they could produce. Homes have been places of intense interest for the members of it, though humble in appearance. Work has been a delightful experience, though not exalted in the eyes of the world. Individuals have been happy, for they have had the ability to devise big ways to make use of little.

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is only natural for Mr. Simek once played semi-professional baseball for two years in Denver, Colorado. He is second baseman on the Barnes softball team and also plays shortstop on the Hanley Hills team in the community where he lives. We understand that Mr. Simek is also a good partner to have in a bridge game.

The pride and joy of the Simek household is a ten month old young lady with blue eyes, red hair, and named Judith Mae. Mr. and Mrs. Simek met while they were both students in the Class in Hospital Administration and surprised everyone by returning from their Christmas vacation with news of their wedding. Mrs. Simek also served her internship at Barnes.

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the departments that operate around the clock.

Punctuality can become a habit with you - and a rewarding one - not only for you but for everyone with whom you have contact. Now that vacations are being taken by many of the employees, it means that the ones of us here are going to have to put forth a little more effort to keep our work schedules operating at the same pace. It would be an ideal time for all of us to concentrate on punctuality and make a greater effort to be on duty at the specified hour.

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However, during the winter months she attends as many symphony concerts as her schedule will allow. Swimming is her favorite sport and she once won a senior life saving badge. Miss Baugh tells us that she has no favorite food and, with the exception of hominy and okra, she enjoys everything in the culinary line.

## CHAPLAIN CONDUCTS CLINIC FOR MINISTERS

Burge Hospital in Springfield, Missouri, held its second annual "Ministers' Clinic" on Tuesday, June 29. This enterprise was inaugurated in 1953 for the ministers of Southwest Missouri. The ministers are guests of the hospital for the day, and a program relating to pastoral care of the sick is presented by an invited leader in the field. Fifty-six members attended.

Chaplain George Bowles was selected as the leader for the 1954 clinic. His address, "Religion in the Current Concept of Patient Care", was followed by a forum discussion of the many problems and points of view that are encountered in ministering to individuals of all ages and conditions in times of illness..

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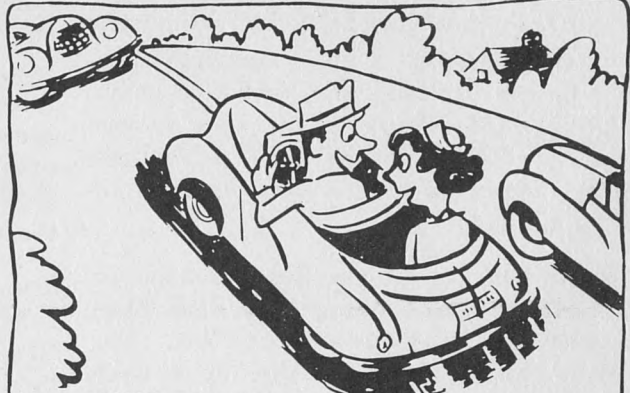
the works of local artists, has the first showing of the works of the Missourians, each of which is displayed for a period of one month. The schedule for the displays is made up one year in advance and the displays are changed on the first of each month. Immediately following the showing at Barnes, the exhibition moves to the Art Room of the Central Public Library after which it is shown at the John Burroughs School. The month of December is always reserved for a display relative to the drive for student nurse recruitment. This display is set up by the Barnes Division of Public Relations and the Nursing Department.

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We are not likely to find variety in life by waiting for it. It is not likely to come by accident. Our best friend does not possess enough for both of us. Like love and other treasured possessions, we must desire it to the extent that we include it in our plans for self and others.

**DON'T  
OVER-DO  
ON YOUR  
VACATION**



*OVER-the-white-line driving invites accidents.  
Keep to the right!*



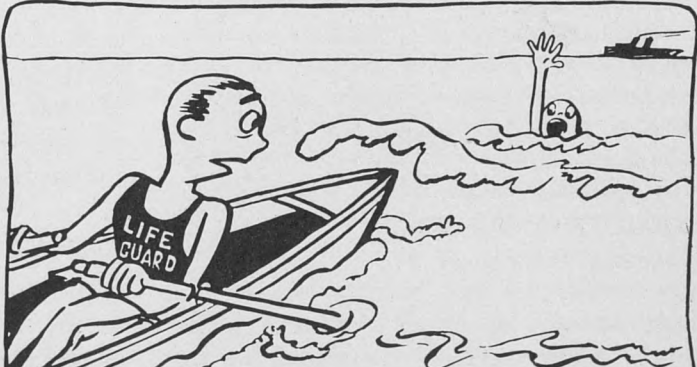
*OVER-exertion taxes your heart. Don't be a  
"vacation athlete." Act your age!*



*OVER-exposure to the sun can be painful.  
Take your sunshine in small doses.*



*OVER-turning a small boat may  
lead to serious consequences.  
Don't stand up!*



*OVER-confidence while swimming may cause drowning.  
Never swim alone!*