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1955-56 ACADEMIC YEAR UNDER WAY

Classes started about the usual time with the usual 100 (out of 480+) who hope to become doctors. They look about as unpromising as any of you did when you arrived. Isn't it rather amazing what four years in this school, plus a certain amount of hospital work, plus a nice income from practice will do to make a guy look like a doctor?

These fellows don't look promising but Miss Anne Rucker, who is an authority on such matters, says this bunch checks out a bit better academically than some of our recent classes. They will be the first group who won't have had any part of their work in those celebrated buildings on Oak Lawn.

WHAT ABOUT THAT SCIENCE BUILDING?

Dean A. J. Gill states that at the next (October) meeting of the Board of Regents it may be possible to present final architectural drawings for the building that will house the offices and laboratories of the clinical sciences. As you may have noted from some drawings that appeared in an early issue of the Sou'Wester, this building will be eight stories in height and will tie directly on to the present school building.

If all this works out with no more than the usual number of delays, we ought to be tossing off another dedication in about thirty months.

TOUR OF THE DEPARTMENTS

This month the department that gets our attention is Biochemistry. It is now situated on the third floor, with the full west wing at its disposal. What goes on up there passes understanding--or so the students say. Anyhow it's a busy place with a lot of room and, as of recently, a lot of people in the department.

At the helm, as he has been in the memory of all of you, is Herbert C. Tidwell, Ph.D., Professor and Chairman. Dr. Tidwell continues the interest in lipid metabolism which began in his graduate training and which has been his special field ever since. He says the philosophy that has informed his selection of members of his department has been, among other things, a willingness to become a part of a team in departmental research. The investigation of lipid metabolism is, therefore being carried out as a group endeavor, with each of the individuals contributing a special skill and interest in some particular phase of the subject.

Next in rank and tenure is William W. Burr, Ph.D. (Ill., 1951), Associate Professor. Dr. Burr, formerly primarily concerned with protein metabolism, is now studying lipids by radio-active methods, particularly in regard to transport and deposition. Dr. Burr is in addition a part-time medical student from time to time and now approaches his Junior year.

NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

Donald S. Wiggans, Ph.D.(Ill., 1952), is Assistant Professor after having been for two years an Instructor in Biochemistry in Yale Medical School. Dr. Wiggans' field of study is the synthesis of proteins. Lately he has been working with peptides labelled with C-13 and C-14.

Another Assistant Professor is Herbert W. Rumsfeld, Ph.D. (Wis., 1953), Dr. Rumsfeld is working with Dr. Wiggans on subjects of protein synthesis and is also carrying on his previous work in the study of proteinuria in relation to various diets. Dr. Rumsfeld, whose brother John is a resident in Internal Medicine at Parkland, is a part-time medical student as well and now has Sophomore status.

Shortly to arrive as Instructor is John M. Johnston, Ph.D.(Colo.Med.School, 1953), who is now at Walter Reed Hospital where he is working in the A.M.S.G.S., which translated means something like a post-graduate medical center. His work at that place has dealt primarily with chemical changes associated with trauma.

The department also has one fellow, William Wood, now a Sophomore medical student, who, with an Army Medical Research Fellowship, is working on lipid metabolism using C-14 substances.

Finally, Lowell Johnson, a Senior medical student, is completing his thesis for M. A. in the local department. He carried on his course work at the main University at Austin.

Grants to the department include funds originating from U. S. Public Health Service, the Atomic Energy Commission, the Welch Foundation of Houston, and the Lipotropic Research Fund.

With a somewhat anomalous title Dale A. Clark, Ph.D. (Utah, 1950), is Clinical Associate Professor. Dr. Clark is stationed at McKinney V. A. Hospital where he is Research Biochemist. His principal interest at present is in the study of the adrenal hormones.

OUR COVER SHEET IS PROVIDED THROUGH THE
COURTESY OF PROFESSOR LEWIS WATERS AND
THE MEDICAL ART DEPARTMENT

Our requests for dope in the July issue have resulted in plenty of letters and news. If this is what you want to learn about, you're the only ones who can give us the news. Send it in when you have time--or better, even though you haven't.

John B. Miller, '54, writes from El Paso that things are going very well and that he's delivering around 50 babies a month. He's also school physician for two of the schools in his city. Thinks the school ought to set up a division to teach General Practice.

Edward J. Brownstein, '50, 2431 Webb Ave., New York, New York, is the father of a boy Glenn Robert, May 31, 1955.

Louis W. Lewis, '50, is Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology at Ann Arbor. He continues his musical career as First Flutist in the Ann Arbor Civic Symphony.

Jim Gilbert, '50, and wife, Betty, became parents of Diane, September 29, 1955, in El Centro, California. She weighed 7 lbs. and 8 oz.

W. J. Green, '54, last heard from in the Canal Zone is back in Dallas with the Southwest Clinic. He was married in Ancon May 27, 1955.

Don C. Burross, '53, now 1st. Lieut., stationed at Fort Amador, Canal Zone, informs us that his wife presented him with a daughter July 8, 1953, the first girl in his family in the last 60 years. And that in May this year along came another. During the past year he saw a number of our alumni around Gorgas Hospital--Green, as noted above, Roy Stewart, '54, who is remaining to take a residency in surgery, and John Reeder, '54, who has returned and is lost somewhere in the States.

By the time you receive this the D. Calvin Holloway's, '53, of Dragerton, Utah, expect to have an addition to their family.

Jack C. Fitzpatrick, '46, after four years in service finished his medical training at Los Angeles General. He is now joining "The Medical Group", 1133 Punchbowl Street(not a bad address), Honolulu, where he expects to practice permanently. With

him are his wife, Mary E. Drown, '47, and their year-old son, John Gordon.

Marvin G. Shephard, '52, writes from Mt. Sinai, New York, that he is now chief resident on Otolaryngology--Rhinoplastic service and that he hopes to complete his training, take his board examination and return to Dallas to practice his specialty next July.

Alice L. Smith, '46, formerly at Texas Children's Hospital, then at Daylor Hospital, Dallas, is now Assistant Professor of Pathology in Baylor University Medical School at Houston.

T. J. Kirby, Jr., M '44, completed his Fellowship in Ophthalmology at the Mayo Clinic in January, 1950. Since then he has become a regular member of the Staff and expects to remain at Rochester permanently.

Robert W. Talley, '45, until recently an Instructor in the Department of Internal Medicine at Arkansas, has been appointed to the Nutrition Section of The Clinical Investigation Department of Upjohn Company. The only bad thing about it is that he lives in a place called Kalamazoo, which seems to call for antihistamines.

Charles W. Pullen, '52, writes from Tucson that John S. Spratt, '52, has returned to surgical training at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. It must take a guy in Arizona to know where a fellow in Missouri can be found. Shortly after that Spratt himself wrote in to say that he knows where he is. He had had a tour with the Marines in Korea and been discharged from the Navy with the rank of Lieutenant, Sr. Somewhere along the line he discovered a deduction, a son, who agreed to return to Dr. Moyer's service with him.

Howard C. Reid, '45, who practices Neurology and Psychiatry in Amarillo, writes that the last time he heard of Earnest Meade Bralley, M'44, he was in service as an RA Major doing Ophthalmology at Brooke General. Thanks much to Howard for the donation and the trouble.

B. A. Simmons, '53, says he knew where he was all the time--out in Lockney doing general practice with Bill Mangold, '50, Gene Hardy, '52, who was in Lockney with

the same unfortunate associations, is seeing the world from Kwajalein Island. H. E. Downs, '52, is in the Air Force stationed at Lubbock, while H. H. Hanna, '52, joined the Regular Army and is taking an ENT residency at Walter Reed. D. L. McCord, '53, when last heard of, was on a ship in the Pacific. Now all that news came from just sending out mug-shots and prints of Simmons, whom we're glad to find and to whom we're much obliged for all this intelligence.

F. C. Glendenning, '51, now in Hebbronville, after having practiced at Hereford, writes that all alumni in that part of the world are most welcome at his place. He informs us also that Joe Seth Gunter, '51, has a thriving practice in Springer, New Mexico, where he has been for the past two years.

Bob Jones, '52, reports that he's in practice with Dr. L. H. Leberman at Commerce, Texas. We regret very much to state that Dr. Leberman is a graduate of Baylor, but fortunately at a time when it was in Dallas. Jones says he saw Alfred Lawton Ingerick, '48, about three months ago. Ingerick is in practice in Colorado Springs.

Ben Bridges, '47, who completed his training in Internal Medicine at Parkland in July, has moved to Tyler to practice in association with Dr. J. W. Birdwell, and Dr. J. E. Alexander.

Well, that's all the news we have. If your name isn't in the list, you know why. Arrangements may easily be made by writing the Sou'Wester. Announcements of births, marriages, divorces and shooting scrapes are carried at no charge. We are also prepared to print very handsome obituaries but it is necessary for you to place a small codicil in your will in favor of the editor if you are to obtain this deluxe service. We also have regular advertising rates for young physicians starting practice and can arrange ghosted operations, fake consultations and all other regular medical services at a moment's notice.

Five of Southwestern's crew are now practicing medicine in Africa in Liberia, Nigeria and Southern Rhodesia.

HEY, WE'RE ABOUT TO FORGET!

The annual shindig and reunion will, as heretofore, develop in conjunction with Dallas Southern Clinical, Tuesday, March 13, 1956. If you have any good ideas why don't you write to Harold Cheek, D'44, who is the Chief Chef, at 800 N. Washington, Dallas, Texas?

GRAZIE

Thanks to the following alumni who have donated to the American Medical Foundation for the benefit of Southwestern:

Dale P. Campbell, R. A. Reid, and James Renegar (all of Levelland), Milton V. Davis, Bryce G. Hughett, John Martin and George James. Muchas Gracias, Mille Merci und Tausend Danke.

DUKE ALUMNI REUNION

We would hardly take notice of minor happenings on the far side of the Alleghenies but for the fact that the Duke Medical Alumni called in one of our graduates to appear on their scientific program. They seemed to need to borrow a little distinction and they got it when they called back Jules Hirsch, a former house officer at Duke, but Southwestern '48. Dr. Hirsch is now Assistant of the Rockefeller Institute and Senior Assistant Physician to the Rockefeller Institute Hospital. His subject is Transintestinal Intubation in Human Subjects. The occasion is the twenty-fifth anniversary of Duke Medical School. Congratulations to Duke!

OUR LOST

Thanks to the concern of friends, local law enforcement officers, former wives, and others, the lost column has decreased from 36 in July to 8 in October. If you can help us locate any of the following, we will send you one genuine and guaranteed gold star for your crown.

Earnest Meade Bralley, Jr., M'44; Martin Harry Chester, '48; Mrs. Robert Alan Moore, (Golda Jean Fielder), D'44; Alfred Hamilton D'44; Philip Raymond Morrow, '54; Paul Clarence Oglesby, '45; Lansing Stephen Thorne, Jr., D'44; Joseph Mallie White, '47.

ANESTHESIOLOGY MOVES UP A PEG

The Division of Anesthesiology has recently been given full departmental status, on an equality with the other major clinical departments. M. T. (Pepper) Jenkins remains as Professor and Chairman.

ADDITIONS TO THE FACULTY

New appointments since our last report include:

Donald Moore, Ph.D., Rice, is Assistant Professor of Microbiology. Dr. Moore was formerly in the Department of Preventive Medicine in the New York College of Medicine.

Jack Pritchard, M. D., Western Reserve, after prolonged training in Cleveland and a position on the faculty of Western Reserve, arrived here in September to become Professor and Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

George J. Race, M. D., Southwestern, '47, after training at Duke and at Harvard left a position at St. Anthony, Florida, to take over as Assistant Professor of Pathology.

Charles L. Green, M. D., Southwestern '50, joined the Department of Pathology as Instructor.

Karl W. Erwin, M. D., Vermont, joined the faculty with the rank of Assistant Professor of Pharmacology but divides his time equally between pharmacology and anesthesiology.

Vann S. Taylor, M. D., Tulane, was formerly Chief of Physical Medicine at Brooke Army Hospital. He joins Southwestern as Assistant Professor of Physical Medicine and Chairman of the Department. He is busy setting up a service at Parkland Hospital.

Carlton E. Melton, Ph.D., Illinois, formerly Instructor in Western Reserve joined Southwestern's Department of Physiology with the same rank.

AND MORE GRAZIE!

Orchids to Norma Kearby, '55, for her contribution to the alumni association. Norma is currently in New Orleans at the Hotel Dieu.