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150 FRESHMEN

The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School will accelerate its timetable of training more doctors by accepting 150 freshman medical students for the coming fall class.

In announcing the biggest per-class increase in school history--22--Dr. Charles C. Sprague, president of the UT Health Science Center, praised the willingness of the school's faculty in accepting the additional load ahead of time.

SWMS has planned to accept 200 persons per class contingent on completion of its \$40 million construction program in the fall of 1974.

Currently, the school has only one classroom capable of accommodating 150 persons. Some departments will be converting library and conference space into laboratories for use by the first-year class. This arrangement is expected to suffice until four new classrooms are completed, hopefully in 1974.

Dr. Bryan Williams, associate dean for Student Affairs, noted that "the faculty determined this increase could be handled without compromising quality.

"The admissions committee was particularly anxious to admit more students this year with the large number of unusually qualified applicants," he added.

While a few out-of-state students have been accepted, the school is not admitting the allowed quota of 15 per cent due to the large number of Texas applicants with unusually high qualifications.

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More than 2,000 persons applied to Southwestern this year and more than 500 of these were interviewed, Dr. Williams noted. This compares to some 1,600 applicants the previous year.

The school raised its first-year class size to 128 last September. It had been 120 the year before and 105 in the fall of 1970.

Currently, counting all four classes, Southwestern has 471 medical students and 90 graduate students. By 1979 it is expected that there will be 800 medical students and 175 graduate students--representing a student body which will have doubled in size.

In addition, the third component of the Health Science Center, the School of Allied Health Sciences, currently has around 123 students enrolled. The head count this coming fall is expected to be 177.

Some additional faculty will be required to meet the needs of the big first year medical class in September, according to school administrators.

CONTINUING EDUCATION NEWSLETTER BEGUN BY NEW ASSOCIATE DEAN

A new newsletter for North Texas physicians, nurses and other health professionals made its bow this month, heralding a rejuvenated program of continuing education begun by the UT Health Science Center's new associate dean, Dr. George J. Race.

The bi-monthly publication, "Continuing Education Calendar," began circulating to some 4,000 individuals and institutions concerned with health care delivery and education. The first issue carried notices of upcoming major professional meetings, seminars, symposia, medical grand rounds and other educational events of importance to a variety of specialists.

The bulletin is designed, Dr. Race says, to be a "continuing catalogue" of academic and professional activities of benefit to working practitioners and teachers in the rapidly changing health field.

On Jan. 1, Dr. Race, a noted pathologist, assumed a unique dual responsibility, serving both the UT Health Science Center as associate dean for continuing education, and Baylor University Medical Center as dean of its A. Webb Roberts Center for Continuing Education in the Health Sciences. His joint appointment marks the first such formal cooperative undertaking by the two institutions.

At the UT Center, Dr. Race succeeded Dr. John S. Chapman, Southwestern Medical School's assistant dean for postgraduate education since 1952.



Dr. George J. Race

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While retiring from this 20-year tenure, Dr. Chapman continues as assistant dean for sponsored programs and professor of internal medicine.

Dividing his time between offices at Baylor and UTHSC, Dr. Race is concentrating initially on coordinating existing efforts in continuing education, while mapping more ambitious programs for introduction later.

"I see ours as a central communication role," he explained. "There is already a lot going on of importance in this area, and we plan to become a central repository for cataloguing information about these events and letting the people concerned know about them." The newsletter will be the principal device for this exchange, he added.

Dr. Race foresees an expansion of his liaison within health education to include not only practitioners, hospitals and teaching institutions, but also organizations such as the Cancer Society, Heart, Diabetes and Psychiatric associations. "We're interested in working cooperatively with anyone concerned with continuing education," he commented.

Utilizing Baylor's spacious A. Webb Roberts Center--and later, UTHSC's new auditorium--the program will include lectures, seminars and visiting professorships in various medical specialties, as well as institutes in technical and professional fields, such as nursing, physical therapy, nutrition, radiology and pharmacy.

Postgraduate preceptorships are planned whereby physicians will come from outlying communities to acquire new knowledge valuable to their practice. An ongoing series of specialized medical lectures in smaller cities outside Dallas-Fort Worth will be continued and expanded, Dr. Race said. A third continuing-education office may be opened later at Fort Worth's John Peter Smith Hospital to facilitate a further broadened program.

Interchange of advanced education will be boosted by the utilization of the TAGER closed-circuit television net connecting the medical school, Baylor and five other major hospitals.

Dr. Race comes "home" in his new UT appointment, having received his MD degree from Southwestern in 1947 and having served on its pathology faculty in 1955-56 and 1957-59. The Everman, Tex. native also holds an M.S. degree in Public Health from the University of North Carolina, and he did graduate study in anthropology, law, anatomy and microbiology at Southern Methodist University and Baylor. He received his Ph.D. from the latter in 1969.

A Certified Diplomate of the American Board of Pathology, he is professor and chairman of anatomy at Baylor College of Dentistry and professor of anatomy at Baylor University Graduate School in Waco. He has been adjunct professor of anthropology at SMU since 1969 and a lecturer in law there since 1971. Prior to his new appointments, he had been clinical professor of pathology at Southwestern.

The new associate dean continues to serve as chief of pathology at Baylor Medical Center, where he has been pathologist-in-chief and director of

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laboratories for 13 years. He is active in numerous professional and civic organizations.

Dr. Race and his physician-wife, Dr. Annette Rinker Race, reside with their four children at 3429 Beverly Dr.

Noting that Dr. Race is well known at the medical school as a former student and faculty member, Dr. Charles Sprague, president of the UT Health Science Center, said, "We are pleased for this opportunity to collaborate with Baylor University Medical Center in furthering continuing education in the health sciences. We also are highly pleased to have a man of Dr. Race's stature in both medical and academic fields as associate dean for continuing education."

FORMER EMPLOYE BURIED

Funeral services for Cecil G. Savage, 63, owner of Savage Beauty and Barber Supply Co. and former employe in research at Southwestern, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 at Cedar Crest CME Church. Burial was in Laura Land Memorial Park.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mildred Savage; two daughters, Mrs. Joyce Beasley of Memphis, Tenn., and Mrs. Joan Clark of Kansas City, Mo.; son Cecil G. Savage, Jr. of Chicago, and sister, Mrs. Cleophas Culley of Forrest City, Ark.

MCDERMOTT RECEIVES HONORS

Eugene McDermott, vice-president and member of the executive committee of Southwestern Medical Foundation and chairman of its scholarship and student loan committee, has been made recipient of two major 1972 service awards. In February he received the Linz Award, and earlier he was given the Dallas Hospital Council's Service Award.

McDermott, one of the founders of Texas Instruments, was given a \$1,000 silver plaque inscribed as the forty-fourth annual Linz Award. The occasion was a luncheon at the Sheraton-Dallas Hotel where he was cited "for contributing the greatest benefit upon Dallas in 1972."

His "unselfish interest in his fellow man and the practical demonstration of his belief that better health makes a community better" were the reasons given by the Dallas Hospital Council for their presentation to McDermott, made at a November, 1972 luncheon, also at the Sheraton-Dallas. Accepting the award for McDermott, who was ill, was his wife Margaret.

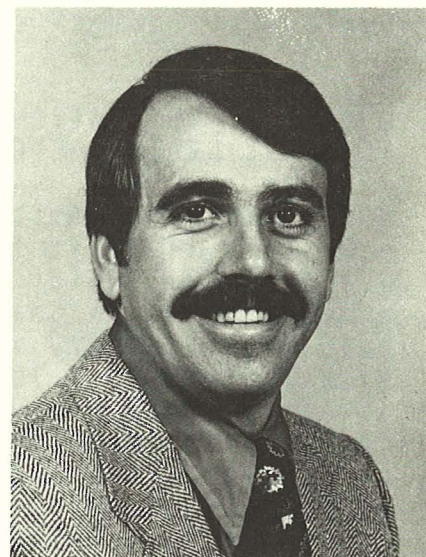
Albert Linz Hirsch, president of Linz Jewelers and award co-sponsor of the award with the Times-Herald, spoke on McDermott's many contributions to the city and named him as the winner. Among these contributions was the gift he and his wife made to the medical school's building fund toward the new Academic-Administration Building, now under construction.

NORRED ASSUMES DUTIES

J. Wesley Norred, Jr. has assumed duties as Director of Student Services of the Health Science Center and its three components, the medical, graduate, and allied health sciences schools. He also carries the title of instructor in computer science.

In this newly created position, Norred will assume responsibility for all student information functions, such as admissions, registration, and scheduling. He will also be working with development of the Student Affairs management information system (SAMIS).

Norred served as Air Force Intelligence Systems analyst before his discharge as captain from the service in November of 1971. He was attached to the 544th Aerospace Reconnaissance Technical Wing of the Strategic Air Command at Offutt Air Force Base in Nebraska. Since that time he has been working as on-line data management applications research officer at the Air Force Human Resources Laboratory headquarters at Brooks Air Force Base, Tex.



J.W. Norred, Jr.

A 1968 graduate of the University of Arizona in political science, Norred is married and the father of a son, age 3, and a daughter, age 3 months. He and his wife Ruth Ann live in Dallas at 9947 Brockbank.

NOTES FROM THE UNDERGROUND

With spring just around the corner of Hines and Inwood, here's how things stand at approximately midpoint of the Phase One contractor's construction timetable:

Over-all, work is ahead of schedule reports Les Braun, resident construction manager, Dallas-Arlington area, for the UT System Office of Facilities Planning and Construction. As of the end of January, the Auditorium-Cafeteria was approximately 50 per cent complete; Basic Sciences Teaching Unit, 57 per cent; Bioinformation Center, 70 per cent. The Academic-Administration Bldg., first of the structures due to be finished (in August), is 73 per cent done.

Work has begun on the elevated plaza and four lecture halls, last major element of the total project to get underway. Drilling of piers is almost complete. Girders are in place for "bridge" connecting west end of plaza with the Student Union.

Addition to Physical Plant is going up to house transformers for the new underground power distribution system, cause of most of the recent ditching and detouring on campus. Another of the underground "rooms"--large manholes that are part of this utility honeycomb--is being built in the east part of Parking Lot #1, putting that section out of use for several

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weeks. Target date for delivering electrical current to Phase One buildings: sometime in May.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION EVALUATION COMMITTEE TO VISIT HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER IN APRIL

A nine-member committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and schools will visit The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas April 10-13. Chairman of the committee, Dr. Alfred B. Chaet, provost of Gamma College, University of West Florida at Pensacola, paid a preliminary visit Feb. 26 and expressed the committee's intention to talk to a large number of people at the Health Science Center as part of the evaluation for accreditation. "We want input from faculty, students and administrators," said Dr. Chaet. The objective of the committee visit, he said, will be to study the center in light of its stated purposes and objectives. "The committee will consider the strengths, weaknesses and approaches to solutions of problems," he added. A status report has been filed by administration with the committee and this is being updated with organizational changes effected by The University of Texas System Board of Regents last summer. The Southern Association committee will be meeting with Dallas Health Science Center administration, with that of Southwestern Medical School, the School of Allied Health Sciences and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.

UT HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER ADDS PHYSICAL PLANT JOBS

Two additional positions have been filled in the Physical Plant office. Allen McCoy has joined the staff at the Health Science Center as electrical engineer; Oden Faris has assumed duties as executive housekeeper.

A graduate of Texas A&M, McCoy has been an industrial engineer for Fritz W. Glitsch and Sons, Dallas steel fabricators for almost 20 years. His title was senior industrial engineer at the time he left the position to come to the UT Center. He also worked as an engineer at Kelly Air Force Base for a year-and-a-half.

The native Texan served in the South Pacific from 1943-45.

McCoy and his wife, June, live in Irving at 1503 Sunnybrook Dr. with their two daughters. Kathy, 15, is a freshman in Irving High School; Geri, 18, is a senior at the same school.

Oden Faris, new executive housekeeper, comes to the Health Science Center from the Norwegian American Hospital where he served as executive housekeeper for a one-year period. He began his work in the profession as assistant to Lazaar Cirilli, hospital administrator at Norwegian, when Cirilli was at Silver Cross Hospital in Joliet, Ill. When the administrator moved to Norwegian, Faris moved with him to continue as his assistant.

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A former salesman of industrial chemicals with the Zep company, Faris became interested in this work. "As a salesman I had to know a lot about heavy cleaning, what chemicals to use for what purposes, and proper procedures," he said. In order to qualify for professional work, he had to take special schooling in his field. The new employee is also holder of certification in real estate from Central College in Chicago.

Faris related that although he has recently moved to Dallas, as a child he lived here and attended Lipscomb School.

STUDENTS GIVE PAPERS

Medical students spend many hours in the laboratory doing research, as well as "burning the midnight oil" over scientific books and class notes. These lab hours paid off recently in the case of two medical students at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas.

Dwight Holden and John Preskitt, both second-year students at Southwestern Medical School have been invited to present papers at major medical meetings.

Preskitt will deliver a paper at the American Physiological Society (part of the Federation of American Society for Experimental Biology) April 15 in Atlantic City. Entitled "Prostaglandin Release, Release, Respiratory Alkalosis, and Systemic Hypotension During Mechanical Ventilation," this work is the outcome of research done at the Dallas Veterans' Administration Hospital. Co-authors are Sateshi Kitamura, M.D., research assistant in internal medicine at Southwestern Medical School; Takero Yoshida, M.D., V.A. Hospital surgeon; and Sami I. Said, M.D., professor of internal medicine at Southwestern.

Holden presented a paper on "Newly Extracted Ploypedptides as Bronchodilators and Pulmonary Vasodilators" in the latter part of January at the yearly meeting of the Southern Society for Clinical Investigation, which met in New Orleans. His paper was also the outcome of research done at the Dallas Veterans' Administration Hospital last summer.

Co-authors are R.W. Merril, second-year student at Southwestern; Sateshi Kitamura, M.D., research associate in internal medicine at Southwestern; and W.T. Ford, Jr., research assistant at the V.A. Hospital.

PRAIRIE VIEW PREMEDS VISIT

Approximately 25 members of the Premedical Society at Prairie View A&M College played "med student for a day" at Southwestern Friday, Jan. 27, according to Dr. Bryan Williams, dean of students.

The students, most of whom are science majors planning medical or scientific careers, toured the Health Science Center, visited with medical students on campus, and attended a luncheon with administrative officials. There were opportunities for answering any question they had about career possibilities, what medical school is like, and Southwestern in particular.

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They attended a lecture on the basic sciences and the clinical sciences, as well as viewed research in the laboratories, and saw classes in session.

The Prairie View group was the second premedical club to visit the Center this academic year. Bishop College's premedical club made a similar visit in the fall, as did a group from The University of Texas at Austin.

A second group from Bishop is expected in the spring.

LEARNING DISABILITIES SEMINAR REBROADCAST ON NET

The highly successful learning disabilities symposium conducted this fall by the Department of Pediatrics at Southwestern Medical School, has been edited into an hour's television special which was presented to all the public television stations at 8 p.m. Jan. 23. Almost six hours of the symposium were telecast by KERA (Channel 13) at the time of the meeting last fall. Producer Rene Cole of KERA says the station would be happy to make a videotape of the hour program available for schools or other educational purposes.

Dr. Raleigh Huizinga reported later that after the program was shown in Washington, a transcript was requested by U.S. Sen. Jennings Randolph (D-W.Va.) for use as testimony in relation to a learning disabilities bill before Congress.

MICROBIOLOGY HONORS SCHULZE

A party honoring Mary Louise Schulze on her retirement after 20 years of service was held in the Microbiology office January 17. She was presented a gold wristwatch as a retirement gift. Dr. Robert Pike made the presentation.

Ms. Schulze was honored by friends in the Microbiology Department and former department members. She served cake and coffee to the visitors. The cake was inscribed "Good Luck, M.L."



Mary Louise Schulze and Dr. Robert Pike

During her career at the medical school Ms. Schulze was responsible for the preparation of class materials for medical students. She also participated in several research projects. Ms. Schulze is listed in American Men of Science, and is a member of the American Society for Microbiology and the American Public Health Association. She

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also served on the Committee for Laboratory Contacted Infections of the American Public Health Association.

Her sister, Catherine Schulze, retired after serving as secretary to five of the school's six deans in Southwestern's history, as well as serving as school historian.

MRS. THWEATT DIES

Funeral services for Mrs. J.C. Thweatt, 51, executive officer of the Institute for Molecular Biology at The University of Texas at Dallas and former employee of the business office at Southwestern Medical School were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 in the Rhoten-Weiland-Meritt Funeral Chapel in Carrollton. Burial was in Restland Memorial Park.

A native of Springfield, Ohio, Mrs. Thweatt had attended Draughen's Business College and SMU. In 1965 she joined the biology staff at the Southwest Center for Advanced Study, now The University of Texas at Dallas. In 1972 Mrs. Thweatt was named executive officer of the Institute of Molecular Biology.

She is survived by her husband who lives in Coppell.

NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

The Dallas County Medical Society has given 18 scholarships to students in the School of Allied Health Sciences and five to students in Southwestern Medical School. The presentation was made at the annual meeting of the Society in January.

G.I. DIVIDEND

Congress has passed a bill which entitles all veterans of World War II to a dividend of 50 cents per thousand of their GI life insurance for each month they were in the service, whether or not they still carry this insurance.

Many veterans have not received this money that is due them and they will not unless they ask for it. To find out if money is due, write: Veterans Administration Center, Fort Snelling, St. Paul, Minn., 55111.

Include your name, address, city and state, GI Insurance Policy number (if known) branch of service, serial number, date of birth, dates of enlistment or induction and discharge.

The Veterans Administration urges all World War II veterans to apply for this benefit.

ART SHOW SUCCESS

Student loans were given a \$4,808 "hypo" by the January art sale benefit sponsored by the Medical Center Woman's Club. Chairman for the event

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was Mrs. Frederick Bonte.

More than 50 Southwestern artists exhibited work in all media for sale. A special auction was held opening night of the show, a special "medical night" which brought together Health Science Center employees, Dallas doctors, residents, interns, medical students, and their spouses and dates. The sale was open to the public on Sunday afternoon.

Officers of the Medical Center Woman's Club include Mrs. Melvin C. Kadesky, president; Mrs. Robert Frank, first vice-president; Mrs. Robert Romero, second vice-president; Mrs. Bonte, third vice-president; Mrs. Daniel Dansby, recording secretary; Mrs. Albert Hendler, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Charles Carrico, treasurer; Mrs. Jack A. Pritchard, historian; Mrs. Jack Martin, parliamentarian; and Mrs. James M. Copps, president-elect. Mrs. David W. Barnett is chairman in charge of the student loan fund committee.

MCCANN ELECTED

Dr. Samuel M. McCann, chairman of physiology, has been elected to Council in the newly organized International Society of Neuroendocrinology and is serving as chairman of the membership committee. He also served as chairman of the charter membership committee, as well as on the organizing committee for the society.

NEW REGIONAL COMPUTER CENTER SETS APRIL OPENING DATE

April has been set as target date for beginning operations of the newly acquired IBM 370-155 computer, which will serve the three UT System institutions in the North Texas area, according to Dr. Bryce Jordan, president of The University of Texas at Dallas. Dr. Jordan is chairman of the board of directors of The University of Texas North Texas Regional Computer Center, which will provide expanded computer services for The University of Texas at Dallas, The University of Texas at Arlington, and The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas, as well as other academic or state institutions.

The Computer Center is located at Inwood and Medical Center Drive on the campus of The UT Health Science Center at Dallas in a one-story building newly constructed for this purpose. Use of the new computer will increase computer work output and lower overall operating costs for the institutions involved, he said. The three UT schools will be linked to the computer through six high-speed and twenty-four low speed connections in the form of "voice grade" telephone lines.

The machine will have core storage capacity of one million characters. An additional 400 million characters will be provided by on-line disc storage.

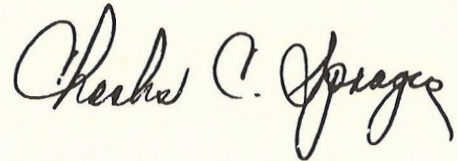
Computers that have been exchanged for existing ones or modified existing computers will act as service sites to feed into the NTRCC, explained Dr. David J. Mishelevich, director of the Medical Computing Resources

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Center. The schools' individual systems and NTRCC will be complementary. This will enable all the schools involved to maximize the utilization of a cooperative effort between all centers, he explained.

Manager for the center is Dr. Clair Goldsmith, acting director and assistant professor of computer science at the UT Health Science Center.

A search committee composed of representatives from each of the three campuses is currently seeking a permanent director.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles C. Sprague". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the page.

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