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DR. CHARLES SPRAGUE APPOINTED AS NEW DEAN

On July 1, 1967, Southwestern will have a new man in charge. On that date, Dr. A. J. Gill, our Dean for almost thirteen years, will hand over the administrative mantle to Dr. Charles Sprague.

Dr. Sprague, present Dean of Tulane University School of Medicine, is a native of Dallas and a 1943 graduate of the Medical Branch in Galveston. He will return to a city which still proudly recalls his own earlier accomplishments and his family's many contributions.

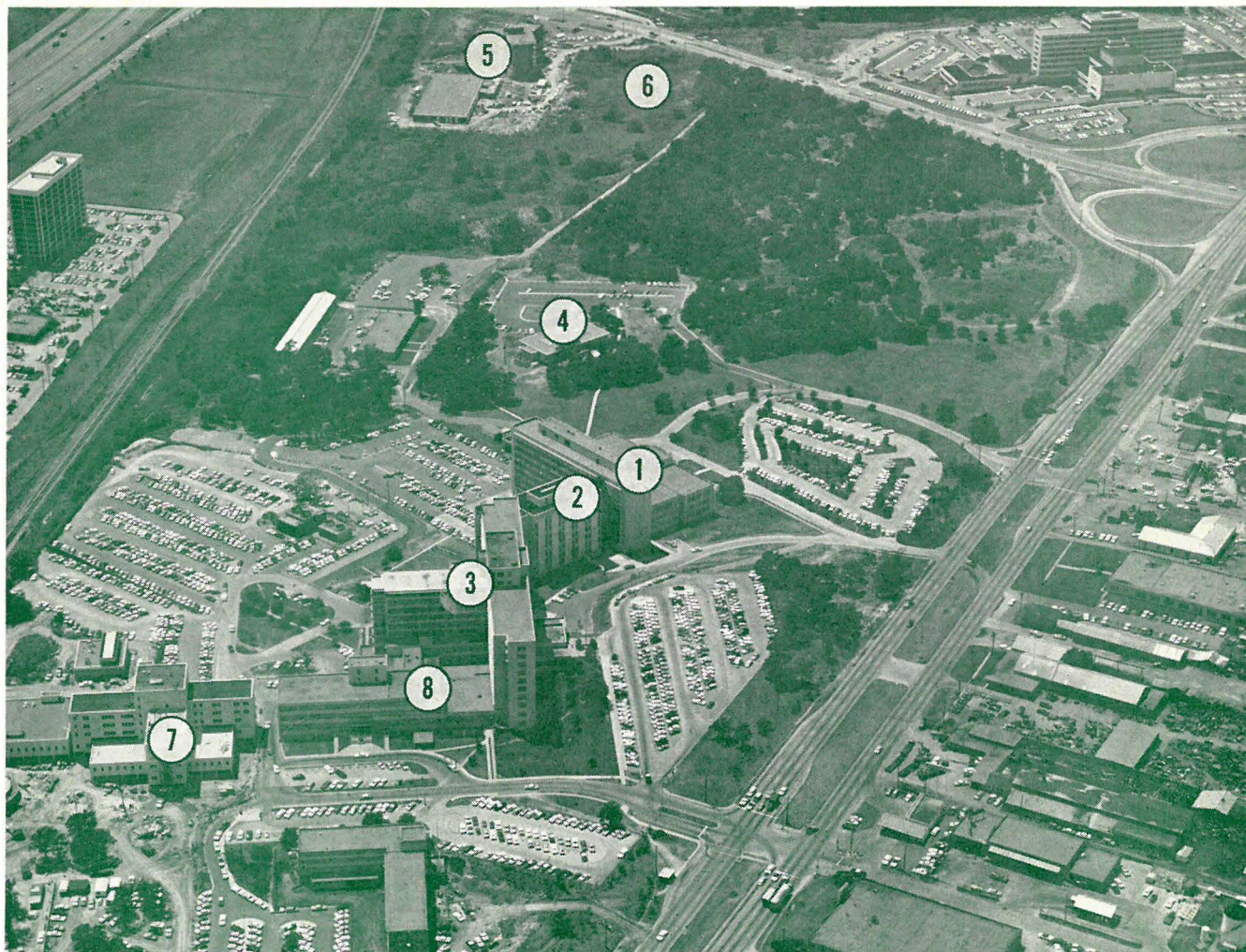
His father, the late George A. Sprague, was Mayor of Dallas from 1937 to 1939.

Dr. Sprague and his three brothers were outstanding students and athletes at the old Oak Cliff High School. During his college days, at Southern Methodist University, he earned 9 varsity letters in basketball, track and football. He was named an outstanding alumnus of SMU in 1965 and of the Medical Branch in 1966, received a Silver Anniversary All-American Award from Sports Illustrated in 1963 and an honorary Doctor of Science from SMU last year.

His medical career has been similarly outstanding. After interning at the Bethesda Naval Hospital, serving in the Navy, and taking a medical residency at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, he entered academic medicine in 1948 as an instructor in the Department of Medicine of Tulane. He chose the field of Hematology, becoming Director of the Tulane Hematology Lab in 1952.

Dr. Sprague's scientific contributions have covered the entire field of blood diseases, and his abilities as teacher, administrator, clinician and researcher, have led to his present prominent rank in American medicine. This year he will become President of the American Society of Hematology and he is a member of the National Advisory Council. In 1963 he was appointed Dean at Tulane.

The mark of this man is perhaps best reflected in the warmth and affection held for him by his former students and associates. He is obviously a big man; in body, spirit and ability. We at Southwestern are proud that he will join us.



THE BUILDING PROGRAM

As seen in the above photograph, Southwestern just keeps growing along. And from present indications, the expansion of our Physical facilities is just beginning.

On December 14, Governor Connally, members of the Board of Regents and the Southwestern Medical Foundation, dedicated 3 of the new facilities: The Dan Danciger Research Center (2) between Parkland (3) and the Hoblitzelle Clinical Science Building (1); the Skillern Student Union (4, upper center); and the Weinberg Research Laboratory (the upper two floors of the Danciger Building).

The Texas Women's University College of Nursing Building (5) is now being used

and construction of the Callier Hearing and Speech Center (6) has begun. The Children's Medical Center (7) will be completed by this summer. Meanwhile, another floor is being added to the Parkland Out-patient Clinic Building (8).

Plans are now being drawn for the next two major developments — a Basic Science Laboratory Building and a library building to be known as the Fred Florence Biomedical Information Center.

Beyond these, there is talk of an Administration Building, a Student Teaching Building and a Graduate Center, which will include an auditorium and on-campus student housing. We'll try to keep you up on what's going up on the campus.

REPORTS ON SOUTHWESTERN

MEDICAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENTS:

Microbiology

The various areas in the Department of Microbiology have expanded greatly in recent years, particularly with regard to the graduate program. Twelve students have been awarded Masters and eight Ph.D. degrees since 1957 and six are now working on their Ph.D. The Course in Medical Microbiology for the sophomores has been revised yearly to keep pace with the vast new developments in this field. The increasing number of graduate students (currently 15) and postdoctoral fellows is presenting a space problem even though the opening of the new Danciger Research Building eased this situation somewhat.

Dr. Edward Sulkin, departmental chairman, has maintained his interest in animal viruses over the years and, for his studies on encephalitis, received a Distinguished Alumnus Award from Washington and an American Public Health Association Research Award (the loot was shared with students and colleagues in the department who participated in the program). Dr. Sulkin attended an International Conference on Rabies in France last spring and spoke in October at the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences at Bratislava. Current virus research efforts are centered around the recent outbreaks of St. Louis encephalitis in Dallas. Dr. Pike is currently launching a cholera research program while maintaining his interest in leptospirosis. Dr. Rosenblum, surrounded by graduate students, is exploring various problems in genetics of staphylococci. Dr. Donaldson is still working in the field of immunology and is also becoming a whiz at electron microscopy. The area of parasitology is ably represented by Dr. Moore, his snails and schistosomes.

NEWS OF ALUMNI

Charles F. Johnson, III ('66) now interning at John Peter Smith in Fort Worth was awarded the first annual award for scientific writing by a Texas medical student.

Billie Fern Strother ('58) is practicing anesthesiology while her husband is in general practice in Honolulu and raising her newly adopted infant son.

Gary N. Fauskin ('60) has moved to Redondo Beach, California to continue his practice of pediatrics.

The Armed Services continue to call: Some have just gone in.

James R. Griffin ('61) is now part of an Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky and is jumping with the best of them.

Martin B. Cohen ('65) and Theron E. Brooks, III ('63) are now in the U. S. Air Force Medical Service.

Others continue to serve

Lt. Col. Jack C. Fitzpatrick ('46) has been appointed Chief of the Nuclear Energy Division, U. S. Army Medical Research and Development Command and Consultant to the Surgeon General in Nuclear Medicine.

Major Doyce B. Dees, Jr. ('54) just completed a ballistic missile staff course at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California.

Capt. Philip Don Abbott ('61) is doing OB-GYN at Elgin Air Force Base, Florida and practicing what he preaches with Philip, Jr. 2½, and Ann, 8 months.

Major Malcolm C. Lancaster ('56) is now Chief of Internal Medicine at the U.S.A.F. School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas.

Major Russell W. Van Norman ('57) was recently awarded the Bronze Star Medal for "outstanding meritorious service in Việt Nam" while in command of the 3rd Surgical Hospital from October, 1965 to October 1966. He is now at William Beaumont Hospital in El Paso.

A REMINDER . . . We'll have an Alumni Party at the T.M.A. meeting in Dallas on Saturday, May 6, 1967 at 6 p.m.

SPRING REUNION SET . . . From far and near, the Alumni are coming!

On Sunday night, March 12, our annual Alumni Reunion will be held. This year, it will be 20 for the class of 1947 and 10 for the class of 1957. Members of those two classes are looking forward to another chance to renew old friendships and see how little we've aged.

But it's not just for them. All Alumni and faculty are invited. And it will be a bargain. Just \$7.50 per person for a complete steak dinner, bar open all evening and romantic dancing (preferably with wives).

This year we're doing it on the Sunday night before the Dallas Southern Clinical Society meeting.

Remember: Date: Sunday, March 12 — 7 p.m. for cocktails,
8 p.m. for dinner, 9 p.m. for dancing.

Place: Conquistador II Room, Marriott Hotel on Stemmons
Expressway.

Dress: Optional

Please fill in this blank, tear off and return it now, preferably with your check.

Yes, I plan to attend the 1967 Alumni Spring Dinner Dance.

Make reservations for _____ at \$7.50 per person for drinks, dinner, dancing, etc.

A check for \$_____ is enclosed (Refunds made until March 10, 1967).

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