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## \$100,000 Given Foundation for Cancer Research



A total of \$100,000 was presented recently to Southwestern Medical Foundation for cancer research. Tom C. Gooch, left, publisher of The Times Herald, Dallas, and Texas chairman of the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund, hands Dr. E. H. Cary, second from left, president of SMF, a copy of the \$50,000 check given to the Foundation on behalf of the fund. Simultaneously, Julius Schepps, president of the Variety Club, handed Dr. Cary an agreement that his club would match the Runyon check. R. J. O'Donnell, who was instrumental in getting Walter Winchell, originator of the Runyon Fund, interested in local cancer research efforts, looks on.

### Faculty Members Named on Diabetic Fund Committee

Six Southwestern Medical College faculty members have been appointed to a medical advisory committee for the Texas Diabetic Trust Fund. The committee members are Dr. David W. Carter, Jr., Dr. Arthur Grollman, Dr. Walter Grady Reddick, Dr. Edwin L. Rippey, Dr. Paul J. Thomas and Dr. John G. Young. Also on the committee is Dr. R. B. McBride.

Goals of this fund are to finance research and lectures for diabetics and the opening of camps for diabetic children.

### Newspapers Comment Editorially On Runyon-Variety Club Grants

Both the Dallas Morning News and the Dallas Times Herald made editorial comments on the \$100,000 Runyon-Variety Club grants to Southwestern Medical Foundation for cancer research.

The Times Herald stated: "With this substantial amount of money, Southwestern Medical Foundation can launch a research program of not only regional, but national significance. No doubt, other gifts will be forthcoming through the year.

"Cancer is a dreaded disease that works steadily among young and old. Science has made some progress against it, but there is much yet to be learned. The work to be financed by the

Damon Runyon fund will be a living memorial to Mr. Winchell's friend, who was one of the outstanding newspapermen of his generation. And credit for the unit at Southwestern Medical College will be shared by the Dallas Variety Club."

The Dallas Morning News stated: "The Southwestern Medical Foundation is intended to become a great center for medical research, as well as for healing the stricken and for training doctors and surgeons. . . . This research will dovetail with that being done in other institutions. Its results probably will not be spectacular but will fit into a larger pattern of experimentation."

### Damon Runyon Fund And Variety Club Give \$50,000 Each

The Damon Runyon Cancer Research Fund and the Variety Club Foundation of Texas have jointly given \$100,000 to Southwestern Medical Foundation for cancer research.

Walter Winchell, news and radio commentator and director of the Runyon fund, announced on his radio program December 6 that \$50,000 had been allocated to Texas by the Runyon Fund and that Tom C. Gooch, publisher of the Dallas Times Herald, would be administrator of the fund.

At that time Winchell expressed hope that some organization would match the Runyon fund for Texas with another \$50,000. After conferring with other Texas publishers, Gooch offered the money to Southwestern Medical Foundation.

On December 10, Julius Schepps, president of the Variety Club, Tent 17, of Texas, conferred with Variety Club Foundation trustees and the organization agreed to match the Runyon Fund Texas gift, making a total of \$100,000 to be given to Southwestern Medical Foundation for cancer research.

Variety Club trustees, in addition to Schepps, are Karl Hoblitzelle, W. G. Underwood, C. C. Ezell, R. I. Payne, William O'Donnell and R. J. O'Donnell. R. J. O'Donnell's contacts with Winchell resulted in the famous commentator's interest in cancer research in Texas and allocation of the \$50,000 for that research in Texas.

Before giving the \$50,000 to the Foundation, Gooch conferred with E. M. (Ted) Dealey of the Dallas News, Amon Carter of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and Jesse Jones of the Houston Chronicle. All publishers agreed on designation of the gift for Southwestern Medical Foundation.

The \$50,000 cancer research fund is the second gift made by the Variety Club to Southwestern Medical Foundation, said Fred M. Lange, vice president and managing director of Southwestern Medical Foundation. Three years ago the club donated \$12,000 worth of motion picture machinery, now being used to produce medical films.

"The Variety Club and Damon Runyon Fund gifts provide for additional steps in the re-

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## Six Day Course In Heart Disease Held at College

A six-day post graduate course in heart diseases, leading cause of death in the United States, was held at Southwestern Medical College November 3-8, with Dr. Tinsley Harrison, medicine department chairman, acting as director of the course.

Sponsored by the American College of Physicians under the auspices of Southwestern Medical College, the advanced course in heart diseases consisted of lectures, seminars, presentation of case histories and discussion of most recent research and findings on diseases of the heart, said Dr. Howard Heyer, assistant professor and associate director of the course.

Physicians from local and distant points throughout the United States attended the sessions, which were conducted by 37 Southwestern Medical College faculty and clinical staff members. Other Dallas physicians also participated in instruction of the course.

The course was designed to present recent advances in the diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular disease as well as to review fundamental principles of pathological physiology and pathology necessary for an understanding of cardiovascular disease as seen in patients, said Dr. Harrison.

Some of the subjects of the course were: the interpretation of chest pain; symposium on rheumatic fever; present day concepts of the pathogenesis of congestive heart failure; symposium on hypertension; symposium on congenital heart diseases, and other subjects.

## Navy Honors College For Wartime Service

A bronze plaque commending Southwestern Medical College's Navy V-12 training program during the war has been presented to the college by the Navy.

In a brief ceremony held October 21 at Scott Hall in Dallas, Capt. L. D. McGregor, inspector of the Seventh Navy Recruiting Area, presented the plaque to Dr. E. H. Cary, president of Southwestern Medical Foundation.

The presentation was made preceding a lecture by Dr. Chauncey D. Leake, executive vice president and dean of the Galveston Medical Branch of the University of Texas.

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lentless scientific war against cancer. We are deeply appreciative of their gifts," said Dr. E. H. Cary, president of the Southwestern Medical Foundation.

## International Surgeons' College Honors Eight Faculty Members

Eight faculty and clinical staff members of Southwestern Medical College were honored at the twelfth annual convocation of the United States chapter of the International College of Surgeons in Chicago, Ill., in September.

Elected fellows in the international organization were: Dr. Sidney Galt, clinical instructor in surgery; Dr. A. P. D'Errico, clinical professor of neuro-surgery and special lecturer in neuro-anatomy; Dr. S. D. Weaver, clinical professor of surgery and Dr. Jo C. Alexander, associate professor of urology and acting chairman of the department.

Made associates of the surgeons' organization were Dr. Joseph Wolfe, clinical instructor in urology and Dr. Raul S. Rosenthal, clinical instructor in obstetrics.

Accepted as an affiliate of the organization was Dr. Evri B. Mendel, clinical instructor in obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. Curtice Rosser, professor of proctology and chairman of the department, lectured at the general assembly of the group on "Management of Surgical Lesion of the Left Colon."

The International College of Surgeons voted to hold its thirteenth annual convocation in Rome, Italy, in May, 1948.

## Cancer Research Laboratory To Be Constructed at SMC

Additional facilities providing for the expanded cancer research program at Southwestern Medical College were assured recently through a letter from Dr. W. R. Skipping, chief educational officer for the bureau of community facilities of the United States Office of Education in Fort Worth.

The government official notified Fred M. Lange, vice president and managing director of Southwestern Medical Foundation, that the government had approved a request for a temporary structure, and that a building with 3,750 square-foot dimensions was immediately available for the medical college.

This announcement coincides with the recent grant of \$100,000 given to the foundation for cancer research at the college. The Damon Runyon fund gave \$50,000 for the research program, and this was later matched with a \$50,000 grant from the Variety Club Foundation of Texas.

The structure, to be erected as a temporary laboratory near the medical college library, will house facilities for the department of biophysics, headed by Dr. Allen F. Reid, former direc-

tor of Columbia University chemical and radioactivity research for the Manhattan Project in New York City.

## Faculty Members Speak at Meeting Of Pediatricians

Eight faculty and clinical staff members of Southwestern Medical College took part in the December 8-11 meeting in Dallas of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

About 1,500 children's doctors from distant points throughout the United States, Canada, Central and South America attended the meeting in the Baker Hotel.

Southwestern Medical College faculty and clinical staff members speaking at the meeting were: Dr. J. W. Duckett, clinical associate professor of surgery; Dr. Jack Woolf, clinical instructor in neurosurgery; Dr. Paul Levin, clinical assistant professor of neuropsychiatry; Dr. J. E. Miller, associate professor of radiology; Dr. Gladys J. Fashena, associate professor of pediatrics and instructor in pathology, and Dr. Robert Moore, clinical associate professor of pediatrics.

Dr. John Young, clinical professor of pediatrics, was chairman of the Scientific Exhibits Committee at the four-day meeting of pediatricians.

## Civic Groups Name Lange Board Member

Fred M. Lange, vice president and managing director of Southwestern Medical Foundation, has been elected to three new Dallas civic positions.

He has been elected to the board of directors of the Dallas Community Chest and to the board of directors of the Salvation Army in Dallas. Lange will also serve a term as vice-chairman of the Dallas Welfare Board.

## Two Scientific Research Grants Total \$23,900

Backing additional scientific research in the laboratories of Southwestern Medical College are two recent grants totaling \$23,900, Fred M. Lange, vice president and managing director of Southwestern Medical Foundation, has announced. The grants are from the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society and the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis.

A fund of \$18,900 was allocated by the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society for cancer control, treatment and research. The grant will be used for the following purposes: \$6,000 for establishment of a biophysics department, \$5,300 to equip the biophysics department and \$2,600 and \$5,000 for two studies of cancer in women.

Establishment of the biophysics department will enable the medical college to study the use of radioactive materials in cancer treatment and control. Dr. Allen Reid, former radioactivity researcher with the Manhattan atomic research project in New York City, is chairman of the biophysics department.

A grant of \$5,000 was made by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for continued support of the college's research program on infantile paralysis. Dr. S. Edward Sulkin, professor of bacteriology and immunology, is director of the college's infantile paralysis research program.

Grants of \$9,750 in 1947 and \$7,500 in 1946 were made to the Foundation for research by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Infantile paralysis research being conducted in Dr. Sulkin's virus research laboratory is one of 21 such programs being sponsored in medical institutions throughout the United States.

The 1947 annual report of the infantile paralysis foundation states that "these grants are for a wide variety of projects at recognized institutions where leading authorities in the various fields are at work."

## Association Elects SMC Facultymen To Top Offices

Two clinical faculty members of Southwestern Medical College have been elected president and president-elect of the Texas Association of Obstetrics and Gynecologists.

Elected to the respective positions at the group's eighteenth annual meeting in Fort Worth, November 22 were Dr. Warren E. Massey and Dr. Julius McIver.

Dr. Massey, new president of the organization, is clinical professor of obstetrics at the medical college and Dr. McIver, president-elect of the association, is clinical associate professor of obstetrics.





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## Dr. Guy Witt Elected President Of Psychiatric Assoc.

Dr. Guy F. Witt, professor of neuropsychiatry and chairman of the department at Southwestern Medical College has been elected president of the Southern Psychiatric Association.

Dr. Witt, who has been a professor and chairman of the neuropsychiatry department at Southwestern Medical College since the college was established in July, 1943, is a past president of the Dallas County Medical Society and the Texas Neuropsychiatry Association.

The psychiatric association elected Dr. Witt president at the organization's annual meeting in Birmingham, Ala.

## Faculty Members Are New Officers of Medicine Academy

Three clinical staff members of Southwestern Medical College have been elected to the top offices of the Dallas Academy of Internal Medicine.

The new 1948 officers are: Dr. Sam Shelburne, clinical associate professor of medicine, president; Dr. Richard Dathe, clinical assistant professor of medicine, vice president, and Dr. Morris Horn, clinical instructor in medicine, secretary-treasurer.

To take office at the academy's February meeting, the new officers succeed a slate of officers who are also clinical staff members of Southwestern Medical College. The 1947 officers of the academy were Dr. Grady Reddick, clinical professor of medicine, president; Elliott Mendenhall, clinical associate professor of medicine, vice president, and Dr. George Jones, clinical assistant professor of medicine, secretary-treasurer.

## Volumes for Psychiatric Library Given by E. M. Kahn & Company In Memory of Laurence S. Kahn

A \$2,000 gift in memory of Laurence S. Kahn, the late president of E. M. Kahn and Company of Dallas, Texas, has been presented in behalf of E. M. Kahn and Company to Southwestern Medical Foundation by Louie N. Bromberg, president of the company, Dr. E. H. Cary, president of the Foundation, has announced.

"The memorial gift will be used to form the nucleus of a collection of psychiatric literature that will be used by students and faculty members of Southwestern Medical College and by psychiatric welfare workers and doctors throughout the Southwest," Dr. Cary said.

The psychiatric books, made possible through the Kahn gift, will be known as "The Laurence S. Kahn Memorial Collection of Psychiatric Volumes" and will be placed in a special Laurence S. Kahn Memorial Alcove of the college library.

Added to the Kahn memorial fund will be other gifts given to the foundation by friends in memory of Laurence S. Kahn. E. M. Kahn and Company officials plan additions to the collection on occasions and friends of the late Laurence S. Kahn have also evidenced interest in providing additional volumes in the future.

Laurence S. Kahn, who passed away May 18, 1947, was the son of Emanuel M. Kahn, who founded the company in 1872. The store is now marking its seventy-fifth year of business. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ruth B. Kahn; a brother, Dr. I. S. Kahn; and three sisters, Mrs. Alex F. Weisberg, Mrs. Alex H. Sanger, and Mrs. P. W.

Hessberg.

"Striking at the roots of a drastic nation-wide need for more trained psychiatrists, the Laurence S. Kahn memorial library gift will forge the initial links in Southwestern Medical College's expanded psychiatric department," said Dr. Guy F. Witt, professor of neuropsychiatry and chairman of the department at the college.

"The Laurence S. Kahn Memorial Collection of Psychiatric Volumes will make available to medical students and psychiatric and welfare workers throughout the Southwest current information on psychiatric research and trends—a prerequisite to neuropsychiatric progress," added Dr. Witt.

Dr. Don P. Morris, Southwestern Medical College's associate professor of neuropsychiatry, emphasized the importance of the new psychiatric library by pointing out that psychiatric problems are today necessitating hospitalization of one person in twenty and requiring some kind of special treatment for one out of ten persons in one out of three families.

"The educational need in this field is clear, and the facilities of the Laurence S. Kahn Library will be vital to medical students who are specializing in the application of psychiatry to general medicine.

"In addition, the library will be a valuable asset to graduate students in psychiatry, to psychiatric social workers and clinical psychologists who now work in treatment teams with the psychiatrist, and to state hospitals throughout Texas and the Southwest," Dr. Morris stated.



Inspecting some of the psychiatry books purchased with a \$2,000 gift to the Southwestern Medical Foundation in memory of Laurence S. Kahn, the late president of E. M. Kahn Co., are, left to right, Dr. Don P. Morris, faculty member at Southwestern Medical College; Dr. E. H. Cary, president of the Foundation, and Louie Bromberg, president of E. M. Kahn & Company. Bromberg presented the check in behalf of the Dallas company.

## Dr. T. R. Harrison Heads Heart Fund Campaign

The first nation-wide campaign for funds by the American Heart Association to combat heart diseases—number one disease killer of man—is scheduled early in 1948.

This plan has recently been announced by the association, according to Dr. Tinsley Harrison, 1948 president-elect of the American Heart Association and chairman of the internal medicine department at Southwestern Medical College.

The campaign, with the cooperation of local medical groups, doctors and civic groups, will reach into every corner of the United States in its efforts to combat heart diseases.

Urgency of the campaign is indicated by the fact that one out of three deaths in the United States today is caused by diseases of the heart and blood vessels. Battle deaths of American soldiers numbered close to 325,000 during World War II, while during the same period 2,000,000 men, women and children on the home front were killed by diseases of the heart and blood vessels.

"There is no doubt that America's first public health problem is heart disease, and this campaign represents a concerted effort by all of us to pitch in and combat the disease," Dr. Harrison emphasized.

The campaign will begin the latter part of January and end in February, probably on Valentine's Day. Members of the Texas Heart Association, which is affiliated with the national association, will participate throughout Texas in the association's fund drive. Dr. DeWitt Neighbors of Fort Worth, president of the Texas association, has announced.

## Dr. Ackerly Confers With SMC Psychiatrist

Dr. S. Spafford Ackerly, nationally known psychiatrist from Louisville, Ky., visited recently with Dr. Don Morris, associate professor of neuropsychiatry at Southwestern Medical College.

Expansion of the college's department of psychiatry was discussed by the two psychiatrists. Dr. Ackerly is professor of psychiatry at the University of Louisville in Louisville, Ky., and director of the Louisville Mental Hygiene Clinic.

Among other positions held by the doctor are editorial board member of the Journal of Psychiatry and chairman of the committee on educational standards of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.



## Dr. Allen Reid, Former Atomic Scientist, Joins Southwestern Medical College Faculty

Dr. Allen F. Reid, 30-year-old former director of Columbia University chemical and radioactivity research for the Manhattan Project in New York City, has joined the faculty of Southwestern Medical College as associate professor and chairman of the college's department of biophysics. Dr. E. H. Cary, president of the Southwestern Medical Foundation, has announced.

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lege, Dr. Reid will initiate a biophysical cancer research program, part of which will be sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

Prior to his four-year association with the Manhattan Project, Dr. Reid had been a director of radioactivity laboratories at Columbia University and chemical research assistant at the University of Minnesota.

In his activities at Columbia, Dr. Reid was engaged in pioneering work in the use of radioactive materials for medical research. While doing research in Columbia's physics department, he was the first to demonstrate

the synthesis of organic compounds by nuclear recoil.

At the University of Chicago and at the Houdry Process Corporation at Linwood, Pa., he and his associates discovered the presence of radioactive carbon in all living material.

With Dr. A. S. Keston of New York University, he was co-discoverer of the only isotope of iodine which can be used for extended experiments.

Dr. Reid holds a bachelor of science degree from the University of Minnesota, master of arts degree in science from Columbia University, and a doctor of philosophy degree in physical chemistry from Columbia University.

## New Publicity Director Appointed

Stanton Fitzner has been named publicity director of Southwestern Medical Foundation, Fred M. Lange, vice president and managing director of the Foundation, has announced.

Formerly a reporter with The Dallas Morning News and United Press, Fitzner joined the medical foundation's staff after a year's association with Braniff



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## Library Grant

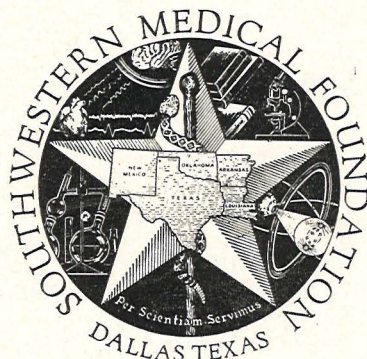
A \$2,000 grant to Southwestern Medical Foundation by Dr. L. P. Kozakiewicz, president of the United States Standard Products Company, has been announced by Fred M. Lange, vice president and managing director of the Foundation.

Kozakiewicz, whose firm has made numerous grants to the Foundation for varied research programs, was in Dallas for a two-day visit with officials and faculty members of the Foundation. A pharmaceutical firm, United States Standard Products Company is located in Woodworth, Wis.

International Airways in Dallas as publicity assistant to the airline's director of public relations.



Dr. Robert Pike, assistant professor of bacteriology and immunology at Southwestern Medical College, is pictured while delivering a lecture recently on bacteriology to medical service men of Fort Worth and Dallas. Dr. Pike's lecture was one of six given by the medical college faculty members to the group. Southwestern Medical College's cooperation through lectures was sought by the society to outline to its members fundamentals in the six basic sciences of anatomy, bio-chemistry, physiology, bacteriology, pathology and pharmacology. Lecturers in addition to Dr. Pike were Dr. James Peden, Dr. Herbert Tidwell, Dr. H. W. Marlow, Dr. Max Huffman, Dr. Robert Lackey, Dr. Saul T. Ashworth and Dr. Andres Goth.



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