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JOHN HEARD TO HEAD REGIONAL SAMA

At the regional convention held in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 3-4, John Heard was unanimously made Regional Vice President-Elect in the election held by representatives from medical schools in Tennessee, Galveston, Baylor, the Universities of Oklahoma, Colorado, Kansas, Arkansas and Tulane. John will represent our region on the Executive Council of SAMA, which consists of a national president, vice president, secretary-treasurer and the regional vice presidents from each of seven regions. Thus, SMS will have an important voice in how SAMA will be run in the coming year.

The National SAMA Convention will be held at The Palmer House in Chicago May 2-6; and our delegate will be Bill Neal, our new chapter president. Any SAMA member is entitled and encouraged to go to the national convention. There will be numerous scientific presentations by both students and accomplished men in the various fields of medicine. Some very interesting and appropriate suggestions will be brought to the attention of the House of Delegates, including resolutions on medical student finances, intern and residency stipends, narcotics addiction and control, and birth control. ANY SAMA MEMBER is entitled to submit resolutions on these or any other subject he or she desires. If you are interested, please place a note in the Editor's box.

SMS will probably be the host for the Regional Convention to be held in the spring of 1966.

NEW SECURITY REGULATIONS

Students can expect to soon find in their boxes copies of the new security regulations regarding the use of medical school buildings. Administration is seeking the assistance of students in improving the security of the buildings and contents after office hours. Much equipment is "lost" each year to unauthorized "visitors".

PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL TO OPEN IN SPRING OF '66

One year from now in the spring of 1966, SMS should have another teaching hospital added to its teaching program. Presbyterian Hospital, near the intersection of Northwest Highway and Central Expressway, is scheduled to open its doors in the spring, and construction is currently ahead of schedule.

It is hoped and expected that the staff of this private hospital will be vitally interested and concerned with the teaching program of SMS, as well as their primary obligation to a high level of patient care. It is a well known fact that these go well together. In addition to the private physicians in attendance who will participate in the teaching program, there will be a full-time teaching staff in several special areas...all backed up by the most modern of facilities.

IT'S HERE ! ! ! ! !

After eight years of being bottled up in Congress, the medicare plan of health care for the aged became a virtual certainty two weeks ago. The powerful House Ways and Means Committee, voting along straight party lines, elected to send the bill to the House floor where it is almost assured final passage after amendments or deletions. The medicare bill would provide the biggest and costliest welfare program since social security itself began 30 years ago; when fully effective in 1967, it would cost \$6 billion a year and would raise the maximum social security payroll bite from \$174 to \$252 yearly.

The major elements of the bill are:

- 1) The "basic plan", a compulsory old age medical-insurance program, calling for a social-security payroll tax to finance up to 60 days of hospitalization and at least 20 additional days of nursing home care for each illness of people over 65.

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DR. LE MAISTRE NAMED NEW ASSOCIATE DEAN

Dr. Charles A. LeMaistre has been named Associate Dean, replacing Dr. Carter Pannill. Dean Gill has announced that Dr. LeMaistre will assist "in the continuing development of SMS' program".

Dr. LeMaistre, whose special interest is preventive medicine, epidemiology and pulmonary disease, is a member of the governor's committee on tuberculosis and also served on the Surgeon General's advisory committee on smoking, which made its report last year.

Dr. LeMaistre, a native of Alabama, received his BA from the University of Alabama and his MD degree from the Cornell University Medical College. Following several years of postgraduate training at New York Hospital, he served as post-doctoral research fellow at Cornell. He taught at both Cornell and Emory before joining the SMS faculty in 1959, as Professor of Internal Medicine and Director of the Woodlawn Hospital chest division. Dr. LeMaistre is a member of AOA and is active in many medical and civic organizations.

PHYSIOLOGY DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN SELECTED

Dr. S. M. McCann will come to SMS this summer as the new Chairman of the Department of Physiology, leaving his present position as Professor of Physiology at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. McCann has the reputation among the Pennsylvania students of being a fine teacher as well as a leading figure in research in the area of impulse conduction in nerves and muscles.

A native of Houston, Dr. McCann attended Rice Institute; received his MD degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1948; did his internship and residency training at Massachusetts General; and, served in the Army at Walter Reed Medical Center. He joined the faculty of the Pennsylvania School of Medicine in 1952 as an instructor and became a full professor in 1964. While in medical school, Dr. McCann was a member of AOA and published the first of his many research papers.

We want to welcome Dr. McCann to the growing faculty of SMS! !

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2) An additional voluntary insurance program proposed by John W. Byrnes (R., Wisc.). This program would permit anyone over 65 to contribute \$3 a month, to be matched by the Treasury, for coverage of 80 per cent of doctor's costs above \$50.

3) Modifications of existing Federal-state medical welfare programs established under the Kerr-Mills Act in order to liberalize means tests for prospective participants.

4) An increase in social security retirement benefits.

5) Increased benefits in several existing programs, such as aid to the blind, dependent children and the disabled.

During the week House Republicans decided at a party caucus to support a motion to send the administration bill back to the Ways and Means Committee and bring out a rival GOP plan. The Republican substitute would eliminate the social security part of the health insurance plan. Otherwise, it was similar to the Democratic proposal. Representative Byrnes, who introduced the GOP measure, said that the social security tax was regressive, and that it would be easier to finance the program out of general federal revenues, with all taxpayers contributing.

The American Medical Association's eldercare proposal at this time seems to have been set aside and out of further consideration despite the frantic efforts of the Association to rally support for it.

Cervando Martinez and
Robert Ring, SAMA
Legislative Committee

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DR. CHARLES F. GREGORY HONORED

Dr. Charles F. Gregory has been appointed to "The W. B. Carrell Scottish Rite Professorship in Orthopedics", the second named professorship at SMS. The support for this professorship is offered by the Scottish Rite Hospital Board in honor of Dr. W. B. Carrell, a pioneer in orthopedic surgery in Dallas. Dr. Carrell played an active part in the founding of SMS, and when the school opened in 1943, his clinic building served as the school library and offices.

Dr. Gregory is a native of Battle Creek, Michigan, and received his BS and MD degrees from Indiana University; did his internship at Wayne County General Hospital in Eloise, Michigan, and Residency in Orthopedic Surgery at Indiana University Medical Center; served in the U. S. Navy Medical Corps. Dr. Gregory came to SMS as Associate Professor and Chairman of the Orthopedic Surgery Division in 1956 from the faculty of Indiana University Medical School, and became Professor and Chairman of the Division in 1960. Although Dr. Gregory's primary interest is teaching, his research has resulted in many publications, one of which received the Kappa Delta Research Award.

The Scottish Rite Trustees have also approved a second named Professorship in Neurology. Leading neurologists throughout the country are being considered at this time, and it is hoped that an announcement of such an award can be made in the next NEWSLETTER.

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For the benefit of those who did not make it to the Student-Faculty Dance, the announcement was made that the Danciger Research building should be open within the next six weeks.

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In next month's edition of the NEWSLETTER, there will be a salute to Dr. R. W. Lackey for his 21 years of service to the students and to The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School. Dr. Lackey retires as Assistant Dean for Student Affairs and as Chairman of the Department of Physiology on August 31st. He will continue as Professor of Physiology.

\$1 million in private funds has been committed for a medical research library to be located on campus. When matching Federal funds are allocated by Congress, construction plans will proceed, and an application will be submitted.

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