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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL SCHOOL AT DALLAS



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DALLAS-- When he needed someone qualified to prepare a history of the medical school he heads, Dean Charles Sprague didn't have to look very far.

No farther, in fact, than just outside his own office.

There sat his own executive assistant, Miss Catharine Schulze, who as senior employee of The University of Texas (Southwestern) Medical School at Dallas, had personally served at the pivot of the school's operations for our-fifths of its lifetime.

Dean Sprague announced today the appointment of Miss Schulze as School Historian and Assistant to the Dean. In her new position, she will prepare a comprehensive history of the 25-year-old institution, founded during World War II by the Southwestern Medical Foundation.

Miss Schulze's background coupled with her remarkable skills and ability ideally qualify her for this new job, Dr. Sprague said.

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"Without question she possesses a greater knowledge of the events of this institution and has a greater insight into its historical development than any living person," he said. "This assignment and the resultant product thereof will be a fitting climax to a truly remarkable career."

Southwestern Medical College was a mere five years old, existing in flimsy shacks behind old Parkland Hospital on Oak Lawn Avenue, when Miss Schulze joined it on May 1, 1948, as secretary to Dean William Lee Hart. She has been secretarial assistant to the four deans the medical school has had since.

She was a key member of the college staff when it became part of the University of Texas System on Sept. 1, 1949. Dr. Harry Ransom, chancellor of the U. of T. System, recently requested that a history of the medical school be prepared.

A native of Iowa City, Iowa, Miss Schulze served in several administrative posts at the University of Iowa for 20 years before joining (Southwestern).

Mrs. Martha Stewart succeeds Miss Schulze as Executive Assistant to Dean Sprague.

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