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DALLAS--A distinguished heart specialist, Dr. J. Willis Hurst, will be at The University of Texas Health Science Center April 16-20 as the Winans Visiting Professor for 1973.

Dr. Hurst, the immediate past president of the American Heart Association, is author of six books and approximately 150 scientific articles on heart disease. He was a cardiac fellow with the famed Dr. Paul D. White at Massachusetts General Hospital at one time in his career.

Now professor and chairman of the Department of Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Dr. Hurst plans to have "Data Collection and Interpretation (The Examination of the Patient)" as his topic for the Winans Lecture at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 19, in the Staff Library at Parkland Memorial Hospital.

Traditionally, the visiting professor is a distinguished clinical scholar who is invited to conduct rounds with students and house staff of Parkland Hospital and Baylor University Medical Center, and to exchange ideas with the faculty so as to enrich the academic quality of the educational programs.

Funds to bring the visiting lecturer at Dallas each year are provided by Southwestern Medical Foundation from the income for its Henry M. Winans Fund, established in 1966 by friends and patients of the late Dr. Winans, who was chairman of the Department of Medicine at Southwestern Medical School and also chief of medicine at Baylor.

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Dr. Hurst is one of three American teachers chosen by the American Heart Association to participate in "Four Cities of Cardiology" conducted in Scandinavian countries in 1970. He is recipient of the "Master Teacher Award" presented by the American College of Cardiology in that year.

He was chairman of the subspecialty board in cardiovascular diseases of the American Board of Internal Medicine from 1967 to 1970 and a member of the National Advisory Heart and Lung Council, 1967-71.

Dr. Hurst was president of the American Heart Association in 1971. He previously had been president of the Georgia Heart Association and vice president of the Council of Clinical Cardiology.

The specialist also has been a member of the editorial boards of American Heart Journal, Circulation, American Journal of Cardiology, Clinician and is editor of Modern Concepts in Cardiovascular Disease.

Dr. Hurst is a member of the President's Commission on Heart Disease, Cancer and Stroke.

A great deal of Dr. Hurst's education has come from Georgia institutions: He graduated from the University of Georgia with a B.S. degree and then took his M.D. degree from the Medical College of Georgia. He was intern and resident at University Hospital in Augusta and at Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver, the latter as a captain in the Army.

He joined the faculty at Emory after his fellowship at Massachusetts General. In 1954, he became chief of cardiology at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Bethesda. Dr. Hurst returned to Emory in 1955 and was named chairman of medicine in 1957.