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DALLAS -- Dr. Herbert C. Tidwell, long-time professor and member of the original faculty of Southwestern Medical College, will be honored by his colleagues in biochemistry on April 9.

Dr. Tidwell was professor of biochemistry and chairman of the department at Baylor University College of Medicine for a number of years prior to Baylor's move from Dallas to Houston in 1943. He remained with Southwestern upon its creation in 1943, giving up the chairmanship several years ago to devote full time to teaching and research. Southwestern became a part of the University of Texas System in 1949.

The scientific portion of the program honoring Dr. Tidwell will feature Professor Alastair Frazer, of London, England, a long-time close friend and prominent investigator whose interests coincide with those of Dr. Tidwell. Professor Frazer will speak at 4 p. m. April 9 in the auditorium at Children's Medical Center. The title of his talk will be: "Some Thoughts on Fat Absorption and Nutrition: A Tribute to Professor Herbert C. Tidwell."

Dr. Tidwell's colleagues in the biochemistry department will be hosts at a special reception and dinner honoring Dr. and Mrs. Tidwell at 7:30 p. m. on April 9th at the Chaz Anthony, 6211 W. Northwest Highway. The Tidwells will be presented with a bound volume of personal letters from their many friends.

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Dr. Donald S. Wiggans, professor of biochemistry, is in charge of arrangements.

Dr. Tidwell, a native of Mexia, Texas, studied at Baylor University and received a doctorate in biochemistry from Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. He was instructor in chemistry at Texas A & M College; assistant professor of chemistry at Carnegie Institute of Technology; instructor in pediatrics (research) at Johns Hopkins; instructor in biochemistry, Duke University, and associate professor of biochemistry and toxicology, Wake Forest College of Medical Science, before coming to Dallas.

Dr. Tidwell was named professor of biochemistry and chairman of the department at Baylor University College of Medicine at Dallas in 1938, and continued with Southwestern Medical School beginning in 1943.

Dr. Tidwell's research has centered on nutritional studies of fats and fatty acids in the body, and their impact on serum cholesterol levels. He is author or co-author of more than 65 scientific papers and books in his field.

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