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DALLAS--Establishment of the Jack A. Pritchard Professorship in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Southwestern Medical School was formalized Monday by The University of Texas Board of Regents.

Dr. Pritchard, a widely-known authority in the fields of obstetrics and gynecology, was chairman of that department at the medical school from 1955 to 1969.

Over a period of years, Dr. Pritchard's fellow faculty members in the department accumulated \$100,000 from their professional income to endow the professorship.

"This is a singular tribute to a dedicated scientist and teacher," commented Dr. Charles C. Sprague, president of The UT Health Science Center at Dallas. "I don't know of any other case in the nation where a professorship was established in this manner."

In the action by the UT Regents, Dr. Pritchard was cited for bringing the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology "from the status as a very average department to one of the foremost in the country."

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An expert in the obstetrics and gynecology field will be named to fill the professorship at a later date.

Dr. Pritchard has been Gillette Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Southwestern since 1955. He is co-editor of the Williams Textbook of Obstetrics and consultant to the Surgeon General of the U.S. Air Force.

After receiving his M.D. from Western Reserve University in 1946, Dr. Pritchard was an intern in University Hospitals in Cleveland, then a fellow in Pharmacology at Western Reserve. He did residency and was named Oglebay Fellow at the institution prior to his being named assistant professor in 1954.

Dr. Pritchard is a member of a great number of professional societies.

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