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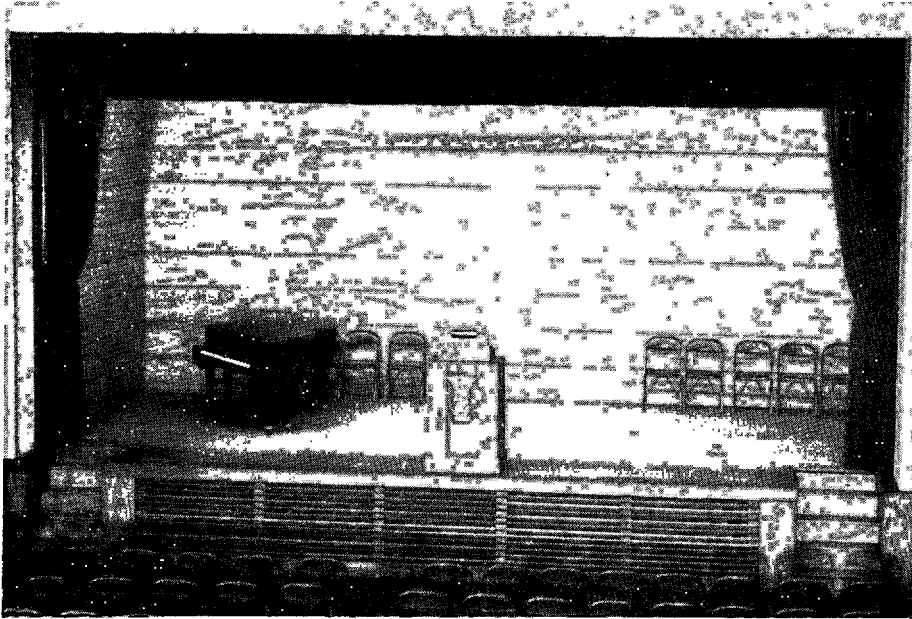
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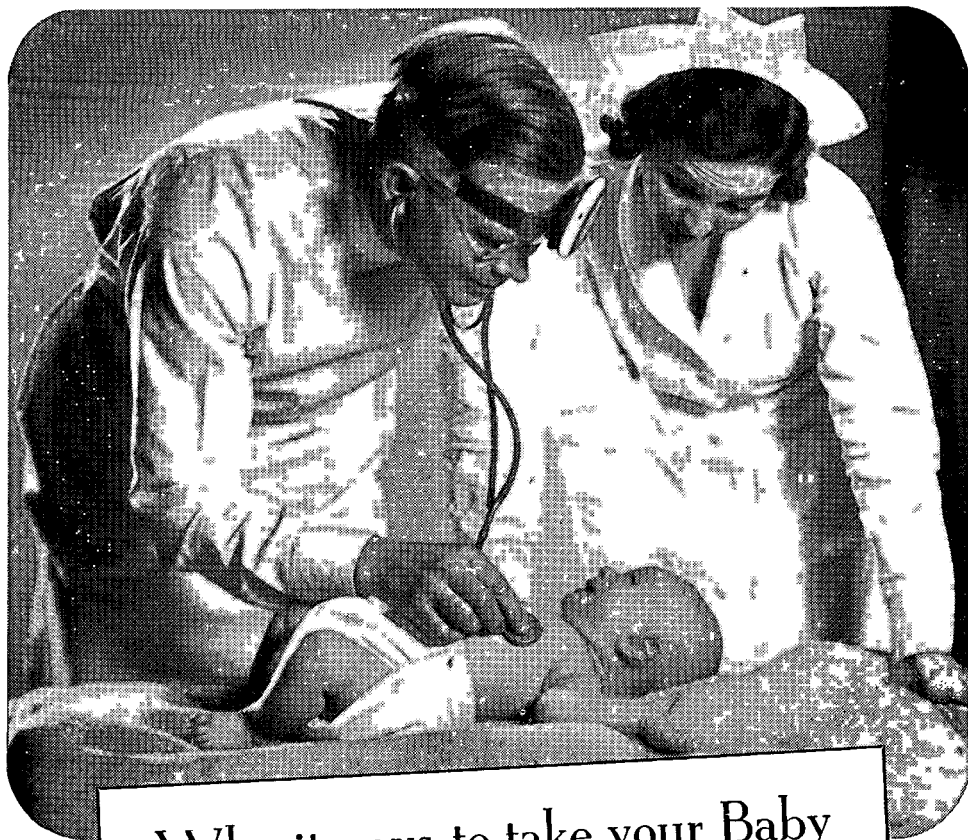
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New College Auditorium — Taken from Balcony

ALUMNI DAYS

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, JUNE 6th and 7th



Why it pays to take your Baby to the Doctor once a Month

IT IS AN astonishing fact, yet nine out of ten mothers deliberately take chances with the health—even the life—of their child. Because the child *looks healthy*, they assume he is healthy . . . while just the opposite may be true.

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food — yet at the same time he may actually lack vital elements necessary for the building of strong, sound bones and teeth.

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM ALUMNI DAYS - 1940 Thursday, June 6th and Friday, June 7th

THURSDAY, JUNE 6th

Scientific Program

10:00 a.m. to 12 noon and
2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Preparation and Preservation of Blood
Plasma for Transfusion.
Robert Crowley, M.D.

Intravenous Use of Morphine
Lyman J. Spire, M.D., '38

Cardiac Surgery in Coronary Disease
Samuel A. Thompson, M.D., F.A.C.S.

Direct Non-Penetrating Injuries of the
Heart
Harry Leinoff, M.D., '27

Report on the Use of Sulfametathiazol
Reuel A. Benson, M.D., '03

Indications For and Methods of Utilizing
Desoxycorticosterone
Thomas H. McGavack, M.D., F.A.C.P.

The Newer Concepts of Peripheral Vas-
cular Diseases
Nathan D. Wilensky, M.D., '31

The Left Colon - Newer Contributions in
Diagnosis and Therapy
Roy Upham, M.D., F.A.C.S., '01

Peritonoscopy. Demonstration of Ap-
paratus
Leonard P. Wershub, M.D., F.A.C.S.
'27

Pertinent Factors in Renal Ptosis
John W. Pangburn, M.D., F.A.C.S.
'17

Studies in Blood Crystallography with
Possible Application of this Test to
the Selection of Remedies
Christoph U. Linder, M.D.

Complications of Appendicitis
Joseph H. Fobes, M.D., F.A.C.S., '01

Neurological Syndromes Resulting from
Vitamin Deficiency
Stephen P. Jewett, M.D., '10

10:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. }
MOTION PICTURES
Contributions by various members of the staff.
DEMONSTRATIONS
by the Departments of Pathology, Physiology, X-Ray and Tumor Clinic

Luncheon (Complimentary)
12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Alumni Business Meeting
3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Motion Pictures and Demonstrations
10:00 a.m. to 12 noon and
2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Banquet - at the Colonnades of the
Essex House, 160 Central Park So.

Ralph Waldo Thompson, '08,
Toastmaster
7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7th

Conducted Tour of Inspection of the
New Building.

This Tour will be conducted by Department Heads on each floor, and all Alumni are cordially invited.
10:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Dedication of Dieffenbach Memorial
Presentation by

Walter G. Crump, M.D., '95
on behalf of the Alumni Association
Acceptance by

Mr. Charles D. Halsey
Chairman, Board of Trustees
College Auditorium

12 noon to 12:30 p.m.

Luncheon (Complimentary)
12:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Graduation Exercises
in the Grand Ball Room of the
Waldorf-Astoria Hotel

Commencement Speaker,
Edward S. Godfrey, Jr., M.D.
Commissioner, New York State
Department of Health.

3:30 p.m.

INTRODUCING SOME OF OUR FACULTY TO THE ALUMNI

Otis M. Cope, A.B., M.D.

*Professor and Head of Department of Physiology
and Biochemistry*

Born:- Edmore, Michigan. *Degrees:-* A.B., Univ. of Michigan, 1902; M.D., Univ. of Mich., 1904. *Practice of medicine*, Lorain, Ohio, 1904-1906; Bancroft, Michigan, 1906-1910; *Instructor and Asst. Professor Physiology*, Univ. of Michigan, 1910-1924; *Associate Professor, Physiology and Pharmacology*, Univ. of Nebraska Medical College, 1924-1932; *Professor and Head of Department of Physiology and Biochemistry* at this Institution since 1932. *Member:-* Sigma Xi, American Physiological Society, Fellow American Medical Assn., Member N. Y. Academy of Medicine, N. Y. Academy of Sciences, N. Y. State and County Homeopathic Medical Societies; Harvey Society; Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine; N. Y. Academy of Pathological Science. *Special Interest:-* Physiology of the Heart.



Israel S. Kleiner, Ph. D.

Professor of Biochemistry



In 1909 Dr. Kleiner received his degree of Ph.D. from Yale University. After spending one year as instructor at Tulane University, (Medical Department) he was called to the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, where he served from 1910 to 1919, investigating experimental diabetes and other physiological subjects. In 1914 he went abroad for study at Cambridge, (under Bancroft) at Berlin, (under Zuntz) and at Copenhagen, (under Krogh). He substituted for Professor L. B. Mendel at Yale, (1918-1919). From 1921 to 1925 Dr. Kleiner was Dean of the New York Homeopathic Medical College and Flower Hospital. In 1928 he was appointed staff member of the Biological Laboratory, Cold Spring

Harbor, L. I., and at one time was a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of same. He is the author of numerous scientific papers, and is a member of many scientific societies among which are: American Society of Biological Chemists; American Physiological Society; Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science; Associate Fellow, New York Academy of Medicine; American Institute of Nutrition; etc.

ANOTHER VISIT TO THE NEW COLLEGE BUILDING

BY AN OLD ALUMNUS

In this issue I am relating my visit to the Clinical Laboratories. When I entered the new college building, who should I run into but our old friend Dr. Cocheu, class of '04, the head of this department. I told him I would like to look over his floor, and he was delighted to show me through. We took the elevator to the sixth floor, and walked down the corridor which connects the Hospital building with the College building, and started from there.

This floor is approximately opposite the middle of the Hospital Building, and I learned this location was selected because on it is done the Clinical Laboratory work for the institution. The connection through from the Hospital is so arranged that all specimens or orders on private cases may be delivered in the office without having to go through the department. The additional space in the section connecting the Hospital and College is used as storerooms. The first room on the right in the College Building as one enters from the Hospital is the office of the Laboratory, where requests for work may be delivered. Adjacent to the general office on the south side of the building are the office of Dr. Stanford, the office of Dr. Cocheu, and the room where glassware and apparatus are prepared for use in the Laboratory.

We then went to the north side of the main section of the building which is divided into laboratories for individual types of work. Each of these are set up as complete units; there being one for Blood Counts and Serology, one for Urinalyses, one for Bacteriology, a general utility room, and one for Chemistry.

Dr. Cocheu explained that this floor, like all the others, is "T" shaped with the head of the "T" at the extreme east of the building. On the southern end of this section is a laboratory capable of seating sixty-four students. This laboratory is used to teach Bacteriology, Immunology, and Parasitology to Sophomore students, and Clinical Pathology to Junior students. Multiple incubators formerly used have been done away with, and an incubator room capable of carrying all class work has been installed. There is a small store-

room for the issuance of supplies used in the daily work of the classes. Adjacent to the class room is an animal autopsy room for the use of the students in this class room. There is one entrance to this autopsy room directly from the general class room and another entrance leading from a room which has been set aside for research work.

Extending across the northern end of the head of the "T" is a large laboratory. This laboratory is set up for the use of Senior students or Junior students when on clinical assignments. Different portions of the room are set up to take care of different types of clinical laboratory work, which one might expect students to perform on cases assigned to them in the Hospital. A secretary and a trained technologist are on duty in this room to aid students in carrying out their laboratory procedures. In conjunction with this room, a large closet has been provided in which have been erected forty individual cupboards capable of holding microscopes and other equipment, which individual students supply when on clinical assignments. One of these cupboards is assigned to each student while he is doing laboratory work on any one of the services in the Hospital.

Three other rooms have been provided in this same portion of the building. One of these is turned over to the intern on Laboratory Service for his exclusive use. Another serves as a locker and rest room for the women working in this department, and the third is used as a room where material may be obtained from the many patients who are sent from the Hospital or Out-patient Department for such purposes.

I enjoyed this visit with Dr. Cocheu very much. As I told him, it took me back to the days when I worked in the Clinical Laboratory, but under totally different conditions. After I had thanked him for his courtesy, and was leaving, he called me back and said, "How about Alumni Days, June 6th and 7th, am I going to see you?" I assured him he would, and I hope all our alumni who can make it will come in to see the new building for themselves, as a guided Tour is planned for that time.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FELLOW ALUMNI:

It may be of interest to some of the Alumni to have called to mind a few of the changes in the Hospital that have been brought about since completion of the new building.

On the Second Floor of the Hospital, the space formerly occupied by the Out-Patient Clinic and the Ophthalmic Hospital Clinic has been converted into fine new wards. These are so arranged as to provide medical, surgical and gynecological wards with a few single rooms, in addition, for seriously ill patients.

The Department of Pediatrics is being rearranged in order to better meet the highly specialized needs of this important work. There are to be receiving wards, examining rooms and isolation rooms, in addition to private rooms and wards. The changes on the Second Floor have increased the capacity of the Hospital from 362 to 411 beds. The new arrangement makes for better clinical teaching of medical students and more satisfactory bedside training for pupil nurses.

The Third Floor can now accommodate more semi-private patients. With the added available bed space, the census of the Hospital has rapidly increased this past winter. The high occupancy for a single day has been 379 patients, with an average of 330 patients daily for the past four months.

The Tea Room, located on the Fourth Floor for several years, and which has proved so popular and so convenient for friends of private patients as well as for members of the Staff, has been moved to the Main Floor of the Hospital. In the new location it has been even more successful.

It may be of particular interest to point out that with all of the added space furnished by the new building and

changes made in the Hospital providing increased bed capacity, we find the College and Hospital overcrowded in less than a year's time since the opening of the new quarters.

What shall be our next step? What are our greatest needs? Most important, undoubtedly, are means by which the best possible use of our building can be made. Money to pay the expense of care of needy patients serves a crying public need and at the same time makes possible better training of physicians and nurses.

A Nurses' Home was planned when the Hospital was built. It should be the next major step in the development of the institution. With its completion, and with the teaching facilities offered by the Medical College, our School of Nursing should be second to none. With such an additional unit, the Fourth and the Ninth Floors, of the Hospital would be available for much needed hospital expansion.

A Men's Dormitory for resident staff physicians and students would make available still further space in the Hospital for Clinical Professors' offices, and would bring students and teachers in desirable close relation with one another. It would increase manifold the usefulness of the Library, laboratories and clinics for students and staff.

If space permitted, a similar statement could be written regarding expansion and improvement in the teaching program of the College. The unprecedented development in medical science and practice in the present century calls for continued improvement in equipment, faculty and students.

CLAUDE A. BURRETT, M.D.

President

STRAPPED FOR RICKETS

The swaddled infant pictured at right is one of the famous works in terra cotta exquisitely modeled by the fifteenth century Italian sculptor, Andrea della Robbia. In that day infants were bandaged from birth to preserve the symmetry of their bodies, but still the gibbous spine and distorted limbs of severe rickets often made their appearance.



A bambino from the Foundling Hospital, Florence, Italy,—A. della Robbia

SWADDLING was practised down through the centuries, from Biblical times to Glisson's day, in the vain hope that it would prevent the deformities of rickets. Even in sunny Italy swaddling was a prevailing custom, recommended by that early pediatrician, Soranus of Ephesus, who discoursed on "Why the Majority of Roman Children are Distorted."

"This is observed to happen more in the neighborhood of Rome than in other places," he wrote. "If no one oversees the infant's movements, his limbs do in the generality of cases become twisted. . . . Hence, when he first begins to sit he must be propped by swathings of bandages. . . ." Hundreds of years later swaddling was still prevalent in Italy, as attested by the sculptures of the della Robbias and their contemporaries. For infants who were strong Glisson suggested placing "Leaden Shooes" on their feet and suspending them with swaddling bands in mid-air.

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PERSONALS

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SMITH, Sidney E. '92, is the Father and Grandfather of a Doctor - his Son is Frank E. Smith, '04, and his Grandson, Frank E. Smith, Jr., P. and S. '34.

ROBERTS, Herbert A. '96 has written a book entitled "The Homeopathic Remedies" published by the British Homeopathic Pub'g Co. of London. This is the fourth book on Homeopathy Dr. Roberts has written.

CROISSANT, Charles L. '05, is the proud Grandfather of two husky Grandsons. — His Son is 1st Lieut. in the Regular Army, M. C. (since January 1939) stationed at Fort Totten, Long Island.

CRANCH, Arthur Girard, '06, formerly of Cleveland O. is now located at 30 East 42nd Street, New York, N. Y.

AYERS, Horace E. '09, has been re-appointed on the membership committee of the Medical Society of the County of N. Y.

WARD, Leo J., '17, has been certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology.

TRITSCH, John E., '18, has been re-appointed on the economics committee of the Medical Society of the County of N. Y.

WILSON, Milton J., '18, has been re-appointed on the legislative committee of the Medical Society of the County of N. Y.

ROTHENBERG, Mark S., '30, announces the birth of his daughter on April 8, 1940. This date is also his second wedding anniversary.

WOLLENWEBER, Henry L., '30, has been appointed assistant medical examiner and pathologist of the recently created Maryland Postmortem Examiner's Commission located in Baltimore. He is also instructor in pathology at the University of Maryland and last year was certified by the American Board of Pathology.

KLINE, PAUL R. '30. On February 12, 1940 Dr. Kline addressed the staff of the McKinley Memorial Hospital, Trenton, N. J., and the Kiwanis Club

of Trenton on "Cancer of the Skin". He has been appointed to the teaching staff of Columbia University as assistant in the department of dermatology at the N. Y. Skin and Cancer Unit of the Post Graduate Medical School. Recently he was made a Diplomate of the American Board of Dermatology and Syphilology.

SINGER, Bella, '31, is now doing diagnostic roentgenology in Elizabeth, N. J. Was recently made a Diplomate of the American Board of Roentgenology.

STEIN, George H., '31, is a member of the National Gastro-enterological Association, and is doing Gastro-enterology in Elizabeth, N. J. Dr. Stein and Dr. Bella Singer, classmates of 1931, are celebrating their Tenth Wedding Anniversary this year.

KANNER, Nat, '31, has been appointed to the Illegal Practice Committee of the Kings County Medical Society. He is associate editor of the I. P. A. Voice, a pharmaceutical journal.

HARGRAVE, Frederic C., Jr., '31, formerly of Kinderhook, N. Y., is now located at 205 Professional Building, Pasadena, Calif.

COREN, Malvin M., '31. Recently promoted to the position of Instructor in Department of Anatomy of N. Y. Medical College. He was formerly a demonstrator in anatomy at the same institution since 1937. Also appointed as District Physician in the Medical Division of the Third Avenue Railway System, New York City.

BORRELLI, Frank J., '33. Baby Boy, Neil Joel, born on March 21, 1940, weight 8 pounds. Dr. Borrelli was recently promoted to Assistant Professor of Radiology at the New York Medical College.

SNELL, Elsie K., '33, has a daughter, Susan, born March 30th, 1940.

IAMELE, Louis A., '35, a baby girl, born on August 5th, 1939.

MONTEMARANO, Vincent T., '35, received a seven pound "X-mas Male Package", born December 23rd, 1939.

NARDONE, August J., '35, expecting a "bundle from heaven" sometime this summer.

PERSONALS, continued

SIRAGUSA, Joseph A., '35, having completed a househip in Surgery at Fordham Hospital, is now located with his father at 1661 White Plains Avenue, Bronx. He is engaged to Miss V. Moscato, a teacher in training.

ROBIN, Charles M., '35. After six months as ship doctor, a thirst for travel became very apparent. He visited almost all the countries of Europe, Turkey, Jerusalem, Tunis, Morocco, and the Islands of Hawaii and Honolulu. Since January 1940 he settled down to a medical practice at Huntington, L. I.

MICHELE, Arthur A., '35, has recently received his degree of Master of Science in Orthopedic Surgery from the State University of Iowa. He is now practicing orthopedic surgery at 1000 Park Avenue.

BUDETTI, Joseph A., '36, is engaged to Miss Elsie Lauricella of New York City and Mount Vernon. He has recently been appointed assistant visiting Otolaryngologist at Metropolitan

Hospital and assistant clinical instructor at Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals.

INGRASSIA, Paul, '36. The Ingrassias will soon be visited by Mr. Stork.

GAILLARD, Everett, '36, is now associated with Dr. W. C. Spain, at 116 East 53rd Street, N. Y. City, in the practice of Allergy and Immunology.

GOLDEN, Harold T., '36. It's another boy at his house on February 21, 1940.

CANNON, A. Elizabeth, '36, completed an internship and medical residency at Huron Road Hospital. After a three months post graduate course in Obstetrics she opened her office at 18123 Nottingham Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

SWARTWOUT, John A., '36, was elected president of the Homeopathic Medical Society of the District of Columbia for the year 1940.

GALLAGHER, Edward J., '37, is in private practice at 42 Barry Road, Scarsdale, N. Y. He has been married since September, 1939.

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GENEE, Eric, '37, is in general practice at Bayside Hills, L. I., and has been married since August, 1939.

DE NYSE, Donald L. '37. After intern-
ing for a year at the Homeopathic Hos-
pital, Providence, R. I. is now in gen-
eral practice in the city of Cranston,
R. I. He has been appointed to the
active staff of the Homeopathic Hos-
pital, and to the Obstetrical Outpatient
Department.

OZARIN, Lucy D., '37, is now located
at the Gowanda State Hospital, Hel-
muth, New York.

BAGNER, Alan B., '38, has been ap-
pointed resident at the Physician's
Hospital, Jackson Heights, L. I.

SHENKER, Benjamin M., '38, has been
appointed resident at Middlesex Hos-
pital, Conn.

HOENIG, Robert, '38, has been appoint-
ed resident in gynecology and obstet-
rics at New York City Hospital, after

completing a two year rotating intern-
ship at the same hospital.

MARCUS, Dave, '38, who is just com-
pleting his internship at Metropolitan
Hospital, will become general resident
at Boulevard Hospital, Astoria, for the
next year.

ZODIKOFF, Mac, '38, just finishing at
Metropolitan, is going back to New-
burgh, N. Y. to go into general
practice.

GARFIELD, Fred, '38, will complete a
two year rotating internship at
Metropolitan Hospital in June, and
will then occupy the position of
resident in Surgery at the Bronx Hos-
pital.

BOOG, Janet M., '39, is now interning
at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Cin-
cinnati, O. She has been appointed to
the N. Y. Women and Children's In-
firmery for six months in Surgery and
six months in Obstetrics, as senior
straight interne, beginning July 14th,
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In Memoriam

BUCHANAN, Thomas Drysdale, New York City, Class 1897.

Died March 21, 1940 of a Heart attack - 64 years of age.

EATON, Erwin R., Crown Point, N. Y. Class 1882.

Died November 21, 1939. Aged 84. Health officer of Crown Point since 1896.

MITCHELL, Charles A., New York City, Class 1896.

Died December 14, 1939 at the age of 70.

PETER, Henry G., Glendale, L. I., N. Y. Class 1920.

Died May 21, 1939. No details available.

SANDERS, Llewellyn J., Rochester, N. Y. Class 1895.

Born October 27th, 1872 - Died April 6th, 1940.

SHATZ, Abraham S., Bronx, N. Y. City. Class 1929.

Died at home in his sleep on November 6, 1939. - Coronary Thrombosis. Aged 33.

WECHSLER, Morris M., Bronx, N. Y. City. Class 1929

Found dead in a hotel in Brooklyn on February 7, 1940. Aged 35.

WHITEHORNE, Frederick N., New York, N. Y. Class 1898.

Died April 6, 1940 at his home - Heart attack. Aged 67.

Surviving are his wife and one daughter.

A Correction

On the editorial page of our January number, a reference was made to a bequest obtained through the efforts of Jeremiah T. Simonson, '91. The estate was incorrectly named Van Leukenberg. The correct name is Van Volkenburgh.

Prospective Internes

Dr. Leo J. Ward, '17 advises that he is the chairman of an interne committee for two hospitals. One-half of internship would be with a male hospital, and the other half with a mixed hospital. (450 beds). Deserving seniors who are interested are asked to contact Dr. Leo. J. Ward, 137 West Jersey Street, Elizabeth, N. J.

Thomas Drysdale Buchanan, '97

The sudden death of Dr. Buchanan comes to our staff and to most of our Alumni as a personal loss. His professional career is well known. Almost from the day of his graduation he has been identified with our College and Hospital, and with the development of Anesthesiology as a special department of medicine. He was appointed Professor of Anesthesia in the New York Homeopathic Medical College (1904), in the New York Post-Graduate, a branch of Columbia University (1919), and Instructor in Surgery (anesthesia) in the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University (1924) and later Professor of Clinical Surgery (July 1, 1935) and Clinical Professor of Anesthesiology (July 1, 1938). While he did not write any textbooks, his pen was responsible for many clear and concise articles on anesthesia, shock, the organization of post-graduate activities in teaching anesthesia and new technique and equipment. Dr. Buchanan was a member of many societies, among them being the Academy of Pathological Science, the New York County and New York State Homeopathic Medical Societies, and a senior member of the American Institute of Homeopathy. He was a Founder, Past President and Representative of the American Society of Anesthetists and President of the American Board of Anesthesiology. He invented the Buchanan Oral-Pharyngeal Rebreathing Tube and the Buchanan Ether Drop Cup, wrote the article on anesthesia for the Encyclopedia Americana and served on the Committee that arranged the exhibition on anesthesia, shown at the New York World's Fair in 1939.

To those of us who knew him well his keen wit, and capacity for friendship were outstanding traits. Hundreds of Anesthetists throughout the Country owe their training to him, and everyone who ever knew him will be saddened at his passing but happier for having known him.

REUEL A. BENSON, '03

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About five or ten years ago an incident occurred which caused the method for the selection of Alumni Trustees to be changed. Since this time there developed a very evident lack of responsibility on the part of the Alumni Trustees to our Alumni Association, which eventually resulted in what amounted to a complete loss of contact with the Board of Trustees.

An earnest attempt is under way to remedy this undesirable situation, and negotiations have reached the point of practically a full understanding. In the future the attitude of these two bodies toward our college will be clear to each other, and every effort will be made to secure the utmost co-operation in the betterment of our institution.

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A Note on the Post Graduate Course in Surgery

For the six students who took the basic science course in post-graduate surgery, the close of the present academic year marked the end of a new experience. The novelty of the experience was also shared by the faculty.

Early in the fall, it soon developed that the students were more interested in doing investigative work than had been anticipated, and that they therefore needed more time than had been allotted for this subject by those who had planned the whole scheme of things a year ago. Our own personal participation in the program was directed primarily to satisfy the requirements as listed in the catalogue, and at the same time to give these promising young surgeons the necessary stimulus so that they might become interested in a surgical problem. It was felt that a research problem would lead the student to get the aid of faculty members in different departments, and thus the investigator would have contact with the basic science departments in a manner which was not only personal, direct, and trenchant, but which would also lead to a better understanding and correlation of the subject matter covered by these various fields.

How well this research method of instruction stood the test can be judged by the results obtained. Dr. Crowley became interested in the problem of preserving blood plasma so that it could be kept and given as readily as a glucose solution. He devised a method which, incidentally, seems to have patentable features, and which promises not only to simplify the blood bank problem but also to furnish a better method for providing immune sera.

Dr. Malcolm Cohn has been working on an extract from the spleen of thrombocytopenic purpura. Drs. Mersheimer and Powers have been studying cardiopericardiopexy under the immediate guidance of Dr. Samuel A. Thompson. Drs. Woodward and Alley have been interested in gastric physiology in connection with extensive experimental gastric resections.

In brief, this years work in post-graduate surgery has shown that a new and progressive way of teaching this subject may be (1.) assign research problems early to the candidates, (2.) have them contact any department for help with their problems, (3.) let them have lectures and other forms of instruction which are designed primarily to keep the candidate abreast of those advances in medicine which have taken place since his days as a medical student.

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Testimonial Dinner-Dance to Horace E. Ayers, '09

The testimonial dinner-dance tendered in honor of Dr. Horace E. Ayers at the Croydon Hotel, N. Y. C., on April 20, 1940, was a huge success, 340 of his colleagues and friends being present.

The dinner-dance was sponsored by the staffs of his service at the Metropolitan and the Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals, who presented Dr. Ayers with a plaque inscribed as follows:

"To Dr. Horace E. Ayers, for his many years of service as a teacher, adviser and friend."

He also received a gold pen and pencil set as a token of personal appreciation from Mr. Arthur M. Meyer.

The Toastmaster at the dinner was Jeremiah T. Simonson, '91; the Guest Speakers were: Louis Rene Kaufman, '04; Walter Gray Crump, Sr., '95; Henry B. Safford, '08; and Dr. Ernest M. Best, president of Springfield College.

Long Island Alumni

A group of Alumni residing on Long Island held their first annual dinner in the Colonial room of the Howard Johnson restaurant in Elmhurst, on Thursday, April 25th, 1940.

About 60 Alumni were present, and the speakers included Dr. Ferdinand Lee, Dean of the College, Dr. Horace E. Ayers and Dr. John E. Tritsch, president of the Alumni Association. The dinner was very successful, and much enthusiasm was shown by these Alumni for their Alma Mater.

We Found Art

Not only did we find art, but many new individuals of the Flower Community also discovered the excellent art talent amongst us. It was gratifying to see how much enthusiasm there was when the Third Annual Art Exhibit of the Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals was held from April 2nd to the 7th. Dr. Thompson won the grand prize with a set of four excellent photographs. Dr. Schmahl's beautiful copy of Bellini's Doge was probably the most outstanding piece in the exhibit. He also showed several other excellent small water colors and pen and inks, some of which took prizes. One of our nurses, Miss Helen Johannsen, took first prize in oils. Dr. Coombs, Dr. Leigh, Mr. Mohr and Jos. Horan were among the other prize winners.

What Every Woman Doesn't Know— How To Give Cod Liver Oil

What Every Woman Doesn't Know is that psychology is more important than flavoring in persuading children to take cod liver oil. Some mothers fail to realize, so great is their own distaste for cod liver oil that most babies will not only take the oil if properly given but will actually enjoy it. Proof of this is seen in orphanages and pediatric hospitals where cod liver oil is administered as a food in a matter of fact manner, with the result that refusals are rarely encountered.

The mother who wrinkles her nose and "makes a face" of disgust as she measures out cod liver oil is almost certain to set the pattern for similar behavior on the part of her baby.

Most babies can be taught to take the pure oil if, as Eliot points out, the mother looks on it with favor and no unpleasant associations are attached to it. If the mother herself takes some of the oil, the child is further encouraged.

The dose of cod liver oil may be followed by orange juice, but if administered at an early age, usually no vehicle is required. The oil should not be mixed with the milk or the cereal feeding unless allowance is made for the oil which clings to the bottle or the bowl.

On account of its higher potency in Vitamins A and D, Mead's Cod Liver Oil Fortified With Percomorph Liver Oil may be given in one-third the ordinary cod liver oil dosage, and is particularly desirable in cases of fat intolerance.

Medical Students' Club

The Spring program in the club has been a very active one; with the art exhibit, noon forums, and the soft ball league. Dr. Philip Jones of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church speaking on the "Physician and the Pastor"; Dr. Ferdinand C. Lee speaking on the "Community and the Physician"; and President Claude A. Burrett speaking on the "Home and the Physician" made for a very popular and worthwhile spring series of noon forums.

The soft ball league is going in full swing with the sophomore class leading in slugging the ball, and the first year boys outstanding in fielding excellence.

The new officers for the 1940-1941 season are:

Raymond Tokar, Chairman, John Hazard, Thomas D. Benson, Ralph Ellis, Stephen Gray, Thomas Redmond, Miss L. Ciaramelli.

Next Fall's program is in the process of the making. Again the recreative with an endorsement to the arts and forensics are in order.

Alumni, we want your interest; we want you to participate in the Club's activities - so watch the College Calendar and Bulletin Boards.

A MOTHER SAVER

There is never a time when physical tasks seem more difficult - more to be avoided, then when a new mother returns to her home from the hospital, and is faced with a complete re-adjustment with the new baby. Naturally, she wants her baby to have the finest care and often this is achieved at the expense of her own strength.

General Diaper sterilizing specialists now offer a service which overcomes all these difficulties. Sterilized diapers, safely sealed, are delivered to your home twice a week. A deodorizing nursery container is furnished, and the collection problem is developed to a hospital standard of perfection. The cost is low, and advantages in health protection are great. But perhaps the chief advantage of diaper service is that it allows mother freedom from work and worry and provides baby with a luxurious supply of clean, fresh, dry diapers to keep him well and happy.

WOMENS AUXILIARY

FLOWER and FIFTH AVENUE HOSPITALS

The Womens Auxiliary will close its activities for the year with the annual meeting to be held Monday, May 13th, 1940.

Much has been accomplished since the luncheon meeting at Travers Island in October, 1939.

An Admissions Committee Tea brought in several new members who have all proven to be most efficient and interested in the work of the Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary activities include the raising and distribution of funds and the giving of personal service wherever needed throughout the hospital. During the current year activities may logically group themselves under one of three headings:-

1. RAISING OF FUNDS.

a. CONCERT — A concert was given in the new college auditorium in January by the well known operatic star, Helen Olheim, who not only afforded us a most delightful social evening, but also contributed greatly to the success of the Auxiliary during the current year.

b. DANCING CLASSES — A series of dancing lessons was held in the late fall.

c. AUTOMOBILE — A 1940 Plymouth Roadking Automobile is to be awarded May 13th, 1940. With the loyal support of all college and hospital groups, the Auxiliary anticipates breaking all records.

2. DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.

The Auxiliary has undertaken to purchase equipment for the new Emergency Rooms. When finished, this unit will be the finest of its kind in the city. An initial payment of \$900.00 has already been made.

An active program was carried out this year to aid the Social Service Department. This included the purchasing and sewing of two dozen layettes for the Mothers Club: One Hundred Dollars for Orthopaedic and Dentist Appliances, and One Hundred Dollars to be used as an emergency fund for Mrs. Alice Berry, Director.

The usual contributions to the Y.M.C.A. of \$100.00; Student Aid Fund \$100.00; Christmas Party \$50.00; Doctors Endowment Fund \$325.00 and Magazine subscription for Nurses and Prizes for Nurses \$75.00 were also made.

3. PERSONAL SERVICE.

At the bi-monthly sewing meetings, over a thousand garments have been made for the hospital.

At the December meeting, a Book Tea was held and a large package of books presented to the members of the Volunteer Aid for the patients' library.

Our members also met at the hospital a few days before Christmas. They spent a most enjoyable morning decorating some twenty to twenty-five trees throughout the hospital.

A team of workers was formed for the United Hospital Fund and an excellent report handed in. The leader for the entire hospital was an auxiliary member, Mrs. John O'Keefe. A flag, showing participation in the United Hospital Fund, was purchased and donated to the Hospital.

The annual Bridge Luncheon for members and their friends was held Monday, May 6th, 1940 at the Sleepy Hollow Country Club.

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