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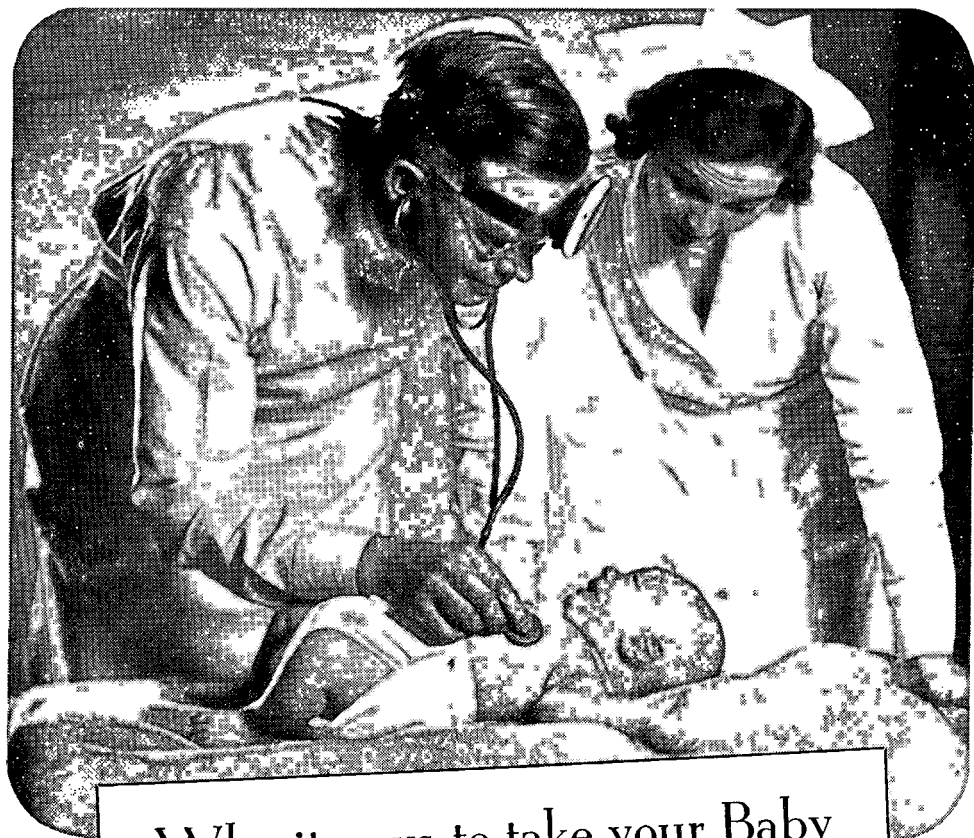


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## Why it pays to take your Baby to the Doctor once a Month

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.

Your little baby cannot tell you when he is in pain. Crying may not be a symptom. Only the experienced eye of a skilled doctor . . . judging your baby's total behavior over a period of time . . . can judge when things are wrong.

Hidden infection in the middle ear, for example, has few symptoms at the outset. Yet it is a common disease of infancy - and unless detected by your doctor, may cause serious, even fatal, trouble. The same is true of diet. Your baby may have an abundance of the best

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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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The following is a section of the semi-annual report of the President to the Board of Trustees. It is being passed on to the readers of the Quarterly as representing one of the ideals of the College.

### AN EDUCATIONAL FORECAST

It may be of interest to express some thoughts with regard to future trends in medical education. Previous to 1890 there had been little advancement in medical education. With the discovery of the causes of infection, new birth was given not only to surgery but also to sanitation and the causes and prevention of many diseases. Immediately following the opening of the present century, formal medical training was completely reorganized and standardized throughout the entire country. Europe, and particularly Germany, was looked upon as representing the best thought and practice in medicine. Vienna was the center of postgraduate study for the entire world. This was particularly true with regard to diagnosis and pathology.

From the beginning of modern surgery, this country made great progress and began to assume leadership. Prior to the World War, the leaders in the medical colleges and in private practice were not regarded as being well trained until they had received postgraduate instruction in London, Paris, Berlin, Vienna or one of the other great European centers. With the foundations laid in modern medical education in America following the World War, the country was ready to assume world leadership in medical practice and training. Among the steps taken were rigid classification of medical colleges; limitation of the number of students accepted for medical training; high standards of pre-medical education for admission; and increased requirements for the practice of medicine after graduation.

European prestige in medical training and scientific research has been completely destroyed by the present disaster. As a result, this country not only is confronted with the necessity of carrying on the training of men and women for the degree of Doctor of Medicine but, in addition, is made responsible for after-graduation opportunities for study which will keep physicians abreast of new discoveries for the prevention and cure of disease. It is in the field of after-graduation study that the future success of the country's health problem depends.

The immediate task is the creation of opportunity for graduates in medicine to return to medical centers for "refresher" courses which will keep them constantly prepared to give the best possible service to their patients. This problem places New York City in the forefront as potentially the medical center of the world. In its city hospitals alone there are forty-thousand patients who are in need of treatment, offering opportunity for observation and demonstration of practically every known disease condition. Modern means of travel, particularly the airplane, are the carriers by which practically all known diseases are brought to this great city.

The future of our college depends, in part, upon how fully it meets the opportunity to provide training for those graduate physicians who are constantly seeking the latest information in medicine. Specialization in medicine and in surgery is rapidly reaching a point where it will be mandatory that opportunity be provided for special instruction.

The time is at hand when consideration should be given to the creation of a graduate faculty. The Committee on Graduate Study has already drawn attention to the importance of this, and I now call it to your attention as an outstanding problem for consideration in the not too distant future.

CLAUDE A. BURRETT, M.D.

President

## AMERICAN MEDICAL EDUCATION

**An address by James W. Benjamin, M.S., Ph.D.,  
at the opening of the College, 1940**

When asked by President Dr. Burrett to address this assembly, the speaker's reactions would have made an excellent study in abnormal physiology. Before the return of normal conscious processes, the honor had been accepted.

Now as I stand before you it might again be profitable not only to the physiologists but to several other departments, to examine critically the object of your attention. Naturally the first difficulty was to draft a title for these remarks. Something which, — like a political platform, — would make an acceptable base from which to depart. It may be agreed that the subject, American Medical Education, does provide a broad enough platform for our purpose.

Let us examine this title for a moment.

The adjective was included to focus our attention on the added responsibilities which are necessarily ours due to the disruption of all normal educational processes in most of the rest of the world. It hardly requires mention that the art and science of healing is now, more than ever in the history of the world perhaps, a high and worthy profession. The second adjective, Medical, you all recognize as being derived from the Latin referring to the qualities of the physician or healer. The subject of our title, Education, you also know is derived from the Latin as the past participle of the transitive verb, educare, which literally, means, "to bring up a child." Permit me to re-state our subject now in a slightly liberalized form. "The American way of bringing up youth in the art and science of healing."

Perhaps some of my audience may disapprove of the subject as now interpreted, particularly since maturity is so often stressed as an essential for even the pre-medical candidate, and also since at least a percentage of the upper classmen have evidently spent time and care in the cultivation of what is generally considered facial evidence of more than puberty. In all seriousness, however, and without the slightest intention of treating any of my hearers as more childish than myself, our title now fits a picture the rough sketch of which I wish to suggest. I know that each of you can and perhaps will fill in the background and colors as your several experiences dictate.

The whole picture to be seen in proper perspective must be viewed from an imaginary height. A height which permits us to look down upon some seventy-seven "homes" which are scattered over our entire nation. These "homes" are of course our American Medical Colleges, the training places for members of the whole professional community. From our height we can see that approximately twelve thousand youth come and go in their daily routines. It is also evident that additional thousands, (distinguished by greater maturity) come and go with these youth. These of course are the professors. If we are patient and observing we will occasionally see that a great many more, than the usual number of individuals assemble in or about one or more of these "homes", and that on such occasions a very limited number of these constitute a select group which is accorded special position and honor. These few select individuals constitute the rarely seen but most responsible, and therefore the most honored directors or trustees of the "homes." It is upon them rests the responsibility of establishing each institution, and of maintaining it in its proper function. The larger number of individuals in such assemblages is composed of former residents, and friends who are interested in the activities of the institution.

Now in certain respects these "homes" are unique. Each youth has been carefully 'born' into each "home" (rarely is this birth without labor.) All these youth are, 'at birth' partially self-supporting and each is required to contribute to the cost of his upbringing. Interestingly and wisely these "homes" do not permit

any youth to buy his upbringing but all must contribute alike. (there are however differences in the amount each obtains for his investment). The elders in these "homes" have been selected also. They have been selected for their ability to bring-up these youth.

Now let us center our attention on one of these "homes," to determine the particular daily activities which are quite characteristic of each. Our own is the most objective for our purpose. You students are of course the youth, some relatively 'new-born', others more mature, or older brothers and sisters. Upon admittance to our home you are relatively speechless in the language of your new family. Your hands are relatively untrained in the manipulations required in your profession. Indeed even your legs and backs are less able to support you through long periods of directed exercises than they must become. Your minds are comparatively free of the complex problems which must occupy them for the rest of your professional lives. Your up-bringing of course consists in the acquisition of the language of your profession and its proper employment; in the memorization of a vast amount of detail and its assimilation; in the development of skill in many techniques and in the mastery of the art of your profession. All of these constitutes a great deal of WORK. Permit me to quote Osler's famous advice to his students; (I quote) "I propose to tell you the secret of life as I have seen the game played, and as I have tried to play it myself. Though a little one the MASTER WORD in Medicine looms large in its meaning, — the stupid man among you it will make bright, the bright man, brilliant, and the brilliant student, steady. It is directly responsible for all the advances in medicine during the past 25 centuries. Not a man before you but is beholden to it for his position here, while he who addresses you has that honor directly in consequence of having had it graven on his heart when he was as you are today. The MASTER WORD is WORK!, a little one as I have said but fraught with momentous sequences if you can but write it on the tablets of your hearts, and bind it upon your foreheads." (end of quotation)

Accomplishment is the reward of methodical work. Hence you must develop the habit of careful and exact observation, the habit of direct, clear and simple expression of your thoughts, the habit of evaluating the expression of others. These habits will be established as are all habits by practice. At first much conscious effort and control are required, and each repetition less effort and greater surety result. These habits soon begin to yield self-confidence and not less important, beget the confidence of your fellows.

Now the trustees of your institution have provided you with personal guides or teachers, with well equipped library and laboratories. (places of work) Your home institution is located on a beautiful street in the largest city in the world. In this city your elders have gained admittance for you to a large number of the best institutions of applied medicine, the hospitals, which are associated with us in this training program. This institution is one of the "Old" institutions of the professional community. From it have gone forth many physicians who have honored the home which nurtured them. The simple attitudes and practices of the members of a home which make the community honor and respect it are known to us all. Because the lives of others depend upon our mutual efforts, it is imperative that we "grow-up" to our full stature, to become wise in the knowledge of our profession, practiced in its art, aggressive in extending its boundaries, and strong in its defense. Thus shall each be most happy and bring the greatest reward to himself and to his Alma Mater.

It is my privilege to welcome the new members of our family and to pledge to them the assistance of their seniors in our common purpose. I thank you.

## GROUP MANAGEMENT OF PROBLEM CASES

Many of the alumni may not be aware of the opportunities offered by the College and Hospitals for assistance in complicated problems of diagnosis and treatment for patients whose financial resources are too limited to pay the full cost of such service.

Patients who present complicated problems in diagnosis often require considerable laboratory study and specialized methods of examination beyond the scope of a single individual doctor.

The joint study of such patients by a group of qualified specialists insures the best available care from the beginning. Our faculty and staff together with the laboratory and special equipment resources of this teaching institution offer complete facilities for such group study.

Alumni will recognize the teaching value to our medical students of such problem cases, and a minimum charge in proportion to the ability of the patient to pay will defray a part of the cost and enable the institution to offer this less than cost service to a maximum number of ward patients.

Alumni are invited to refer any patients which offer unusual difficulties in handling in private practice to the Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals with a note of introduction to Mrs. C. T. Berry in charge of Social Service.

Arrangements will be made through the cooperation of the Director of Hospitals, for meeting on a part pay basis the cost of the necessary examinations to be adjusted according to the ability to pay. The normal *minimum* for hospitalization will be considered \$3.00 a day.

Upon completion of the diagnosis and necessary institutional treatment or operation, the patient will be returned to the referring physician with a full written report of findings and recommendations for further handling by the physician himself.

The group study of cases will be carried on in our splendidly equipped clinics as well as in the wards of the hospitals. In evaluating this opportunity the alumni may find the following examples of special interest.

1. Breast Lesions: Biopsy and other laboratory procedures together with the handling by an expert tumor clinic group offers effective study of this type of malignancy.
2. Thyroid disease: A Thyroid Clinic is now organized with a Chief of the Clinic under the supervision of the Thyroid Committee consisting of a senior member of the medical, surgical and endocrinological staffs with the addition of a radiologist and pathologist. All thyroid cases are referred to this group for intensive study.
3. A special service in gastroenterology for the study of gastric as well as intestinal cases, especially those of the colon and rectum.

DAVID Q. HAMMOND,

Director of Hospitals.

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## POSTGRADUATE HOMEOPATHIC THERAPEUTICS

Funds have been made available for the postgraduate study of Homeopathic Therapeutics. Applicants please communicate with Dr. Joseph H. Fobes at the College.

## TESTIMONIAL BANQUET TO DR. JOSEPH HENRY FOBES



On October 16th, 1940, a delightful banquet was tendered to Dr. Joseph Henry Fobes at the University Club, by all the members of his Surgical Staff at the Flower-Fifth Avenue and Metropolitan Hospitals, as a modest expression of their high esteem for their former Chief, and in grateful appreciation for his guidance and teaching as Director of the Department of Surgery. It marked the occasion of his retirement from this position at the Metropolitan Hospital at the age of 62, to his new duties in the highly important post of Director of the Department of Graduate Surgery. Dr. Fobes will continue at the Metropolitan Hospital as Consulting Surgeon.

Before the gathering assumed an atmosphere of mirth and merriment to the accompaniment of an accordin artist, Dr. William A. Fraser, the senior man in length of service with Dr. Fobes,

made the presentation speech which expressed the sentiments of the entire Surgical Staff, and is repeated verbatim:-

"Tonight we meet to express our admiration and esteem for one who has directed us, taught us and worked with and for us. Perhaps we should more often mention our gratitude and affection for those we admire, but it is only on important occasions that we pause to put in words, thoughts we have treasured. Today we bring homage to a leader—a leader not only of men, but in his chosen field, Dr. Joseph H. Fobes, a chief worthy of the accolade I would bestow upon him. Daily his conscience, his humanity, his courage have been tested by the long trip from Montclair in snow, sunshine and rain to ease suffering, or to teach us how to make life endurable for others. Important as have been his contributions to surgery and to the happiness of homes tottering on ruin's brink, owing to the ravages of disease, his teaching has been of equal importance, since through it, he has handed down to others his own heritage of high tradition, skill and sportsmanship. To every task, he has brought his clear insight, fine understanding, and incalculable patience. Today he reaps the reward of our appreciation and our affectionate respect. If we felt this to be a valedictory, we should indeed be sad, but we regard this day as a gateway to greater achievement. We all know that the mere change of title on a door or a bit of stationery can affect neither knowledge nor hearts. Whether Dr. Fobes is 62 or 102, he will always remain one of us, his advice being available whenever we are in need of it. We on our part will never cease to regard him as our revered peer. We cannot forget him, but in order that he may not forget us, I have the honor and the pleasure in behalf of my co-workers at the Flower-Fifth Avenue and Metropolitan Hospitals to present this volume with our affectionate gratitude and our hopes that increased leisure may afford opportunity for new surgical research which may enrich the field of service to humanity. Dr. Fobes, your name will be often on our lips and always in our hearts!"

With these words, a beautiful red morocco leather-bound album, with the seal of "The Clan Fobes" was presented to our Chief, depicting the story of Joseph Henry Fobes from his school days to his appointment as Director of the Department of Graduate Surgery.

WILLIAM L. PRIMACOVE, M.D. '31.



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## BRIEF HISTORICAL NOTES ON MEAD'S CEREAL AND PABLUM

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**H**AND in hand with pediatric progress, the introduction of Mead's Cereal in 1930 marked a new concept in the function of cereals in the child's dietary. For 150 years before that, since the days of "pap" and "panada," there had been no noteworthy improvement in the nutritive quality of cereals for infant feeding. Cereals were fed principally for their carbohydrate content.

The formula of Mead's Cereal was designed to supplement the baby's diet in minerals and vitamins, especially iron and B<sub>1</sub>. How well it has succeeded in these functions may be seen from two examples:

(1) As little as one-sixth ounce of Mead's Cereal supplies over half of the iron and more than one-fifth of the vitamin B<sub>1</sub> minimum requirements of the 3-months-old bottle-fed baby. (2) One-half ounce of Mead's Cereal furnishes all of the iron and two-thirds of the vitamin B<sub>1</sub> minimum requirements of the 6-months-old breast-fed baby.

That the medical profession has recognized the importance of this contribution is indicated by the fact that cereal is now included in the baby's diet as early as the

third or fourth month instead of at the sixth to twelfth month as was the custom only a decade or two ago.

In 1933 Mead Johnson & Company went a step further, improving the Mead's Cereal mixture by a special process of cooking, which rendered it easily tolerated by the infant and at the same time did away with the need for prolonged cereal cooking in the home. The result is Pablum, an original product which offers all of the nutritional qualities of Mead's Cereal, plus the convenience of thorough scientific cooking.

During the last ten years, these products have been used in a great deal of clinical investigation on various aspects of nutrition, which have been reported in the scientific literature.

Many physicians recognize the pioneer efforts on the part of Mead Johnson & Company by specifying Mead's Cereal and PABLUM.

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## A DINNER TO DR. FREDERICK M. DEARBORN.

As described by a member of his staff



On the evening of November 25th, 1940, a dinner was tendered to Dr. Frederick M. Dearborn by the members of the Dermatology Department, upon his retirement as Professor and Chief of the Department of Dermatology and Syphilology of the Metropolitan Hospital, and the New York Medical College and Flower Hospital.

The dinner was held at Billy the Oysterman's Restaurant on East 20th Street, where, for years, the Department of Dermatology have held dinners at the close of each school year. The following members of the department present were:- Drs. Frederick M. Dearborn, Van Alstyne H. Cornell, Morris Silberman, Gersch Astrachan, Paul Kline, Morris Raif, Irwin Lubowe, Milton Hartman, Isaac Astrachan, Charles Tilley, Max Berkovsky, Locasil Hirshon, Ida Mintzer, Clinton Martin and John Harris.

After partaking of an excellent repast, consisting of everything from shrimp cocktail to a delicious steak which was later sprinkled with a special cocktail formula "à la Dearborn," the oratorical display took place. The Toastmaster of the evening, Dr. Max Berkovsky, handled his duties very efficiently; his crisp remarks and delightful anecdotes punctuating the gay evening. Dr. Max Silberman spoke about his association with Dr. Dearborn from the year 1912, until the present day. Dr. Gersh Astrachan, Dr. Paul Kline and Dr. Milton Hartman followed in turn. All the speakers emphasized the appreciation of their contact with Dr. Dearborn, and lauded him as being an excellent teacher, guide, and friend, whose memory has impressed itself upon the entire department with everlasting good will. After a very appealing and heartfelt talk about the guest of honor's inspiring fellowship, Dr. Van Alstyne H. Cornell presented Dr. Dearborn with a beautiful scroll wherein was inscribed the former Chief's affiliations in the Hospital and Medical School, and also his positions in the United States Army. Dr. Dearborn in his unusual inimitable manner, then delivered a scintillating, sparkling, and breathless talk on his affiliation with the department. He praised the loyal, arduous zeal, and excellent work that each and every member of the department has demonstrated, and he promised to act as the guiding spirit of the department, and to answer the call whenever necessary. The worthy scribe states, in behalf of his fellow associates, that this was a memorable evening, never to be forgotten, because of the sentiment, fellowship, and loyalty which pervaded the course of the entire evening. (the cocktail "à la Dearborn" may have helped somewhat.)

In conclusion, we wish to publicly present to Dr. Dearborn the grateful appreciation of every member of the staff for his sincerity, fair mindedness, and his eagerness to help the department become one of the most outstanding departments of dermatology in the entire nation.

IRWIN I. LUBOWE, M.D., '30

## DEDICATION OF THE WILLIAM WALDO BLACKMAN LABORATORY OF ANATOMY

As announced in the last number of the Alumni Bulletin the occasion of the naming of the Department of Anatomy in honor of our distinguished alumnus, Dr. William Waldo Blackman, took place on the evening of November 19, 1940.

The ceremonies were held in the college auditorium before a capacity audience. President Claude A. Burrett opened the meeting and introduced Professor C. E. Tharaldsen as Chairman of the occasion. Mr. Clifford Hemphill speaking for the Board of Trustees expressed their appreciation of Dr. Blackman's efforts in behalf of the college during the past 60 years, and then officially conferred the name upon the Department. Dr. Blackman responded in his usual modest way. One of his former students, Dr. Charles Birch, a member of the Board of Trustees, spoke of Dr. Blackman's contributions to the Department, and of his labors for the College as a whole. Dr. Birch unveiled the Blackman Bronze Plaque and portrait mounted in the hall of the Department.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. William King Gregory, Curator of Comparative and Human Anatomy of the American Museum of Natural History who spoke on the subject "The Evolutional Causes of the Miseries of Mankind."

After the ceremonies in the auditorium, the audience adjourned to the Anatomy Laboratories which were opened for inspection.

Dr. Tharaldsen during his remarks took occasion to thank the many alumni, some of whom were former students of Dr. Blackman, and his other friends and patients whose financial contributions in his honor has helped so materially to equip the present splendid laboratory.

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## In Memoriam

WILLIAMS, Thomas Clary, '81. Born in Monroeville, Ohio, in 1858. His mother, Dr. Cordelia Williams, was one of the first women physicians in New York. After graduation he took up general practice in the Upper East Side of New York City, where he continued for fifty-eight years, until his retirement one year ago. He died on December 4th, 1940 in his eighty-second year. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Ruth Kilby.

DOWE, Frank LeCount, '89. Practiced Homeopathy for over fifty years. He specialized in chronic diseases, intravenous therapy and cancer. He died on November 18th, 1940 at the age of seventy-three. Dr. Dowe was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps, U. S. Army, and the Masons.

NEWMAN, Louis G., '95, of Westfield, N. J. died in the Muhlenberg Hospital, Plainfield, N. J. of arteriosclerosis and bronchopneumonia on September 9th, 1940 at the age of sixty-seven.

DUCKWORTH, Willard Demarest, '09, - was a demonstrator and lecturer at the New York Homeopathic Medical College until 1915. He then moved to White Plains, N. Y., where he specialized in roentgenology, and practiced there for the past twenty-six years. He was on the staff of the White Plains, New Rochelle, Tarrytown and Grasslands Hospitals, and also taught Roentgenology at the New York Post Graduate Medical School. He died November 11th, 1940 at the White Plains Hospital of a cerebral hemorrhage at the age of fifty-seven. Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. June D. Hamerstadt, and a son, Willard Grant Duckworth.

GETMAN, Albert Alton, '15. Dr. Getman, heart specialist of Syracuse, was the personal physician of Alexander Woolcott, the Author. He died on October 28th, 1940 in the Strong Memorial Hospital of complications following a brain operation. He was fifty-two years old, and died two days before taking over duties as chairman of the medical board of examiners in the central New York area for classification of army training conscripts. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Louise Doolittle Getman; two sons, William Doolittle and Albert Alton, Jr.; two daughters, the Misses Elizabeth and Louisa, and two brothers, Damon and Herman.

MAYER, Moe Jesse, '16, New York, N. Y. - died November 7th, 1940, in the Beth David Hospital of arteriosclerotic heart disease. He was forty-nine years old.

ESCOE, Benjamin, '29. New York, N. Y. Died September 22nd, 1940 in the Mount Sinai Hospital of hemolytic anemia following sulfapyridine therapy. He was thirty-nine years old.

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## STUDENT ACTIVITIES.

C. MICHAEL WITZBERGER, '34

"To stand still is to go backward" is apparently the current slogan of the Medical Students' Club Executive Committee, for never before in the Club's relatively brief but significant history has such a diversified and extensive program been offered to the students of our college. Keeping in mind the purpose of the Club which is to help broaden the lives of medical students by providing opportunities for participation in many extra-curricular activities quite apart from the study of medicine, the committee has directed its energy toward reaching more and more students.

A mere listing of the various activities does not by any means tell the whole story of what the Club is doing this year but it may be well to point to some of the highlights.

The newest project and one that bids fair to be a distinct and important feature in the life of the college is the New York Medical College Glee Club which made its first appearance and was enthusiastically received at the annual Christmas party. The committee was indeed fortunate to have been able to secure the services of Mr. Elwyn Carter of the Juilliard School of Music to direct the Club and under his excellent leadership a group of forty students, many of whom have had no previous glee club experience, have been molded into a choral unit of which the college may well be proud. It is the kind of activity that has drawn into an organized group many students who have always wanted to sing but for many reasons have never had the opportunity. The president of the Club is William Hewes, '41 who recently announced that several appearances are scheduled during the next two months, culminating in a formal concert and dance to be given in the Spring.

Joe Shapse, '42, chairman of the Sports Committee, reports that more students than ever are taking advantage of the athletic facilities at the Hecksher Foundation. Furthermore, groups of students have been bowling every Saturday afternoon at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. and plan on organizing a team to bowl against the faculty. From reports that have been received the poor students will suffer a terrific defeat for the faculty team is all set to Blitzkrieg them.

The Alumni Association is sponsoring an inter-medical college basketball league with teams representing Bellevue, P. & S., Long Island and New York Medical Colleges. These teams will compete for a splendid, engraved silver plaque which will be awarded by our Alumni to the annual winner of the league and the trophy will become the permanent possession of the college winning the championship three times. Owing to the formation of the league, interest in the coming basketball games is very keen and we can all look forward to seeing some good contests in the next few months. An inter-class basketball league is already functioning and the varsity team is getting into shape for its games with other medical college teams after the first of the year. In addition to the silver plaque, the Alumni Association is donating a trophy for the annual basketball scraps between our college and Hahnemann Medical College. The first game of this home-and-home series is scheduled for January 25th in Philadelphia.

Two very successful dances have been held, one in cooperation with the nurses which was attended by over 350 people. Faculty-student luncheons have been scheduled regularly each week bringing together students and their respective faculty advisors for a delightful hour of getting acquainted and sharing experiences. At the next noon day forum a cup is to be presented to Len Veneruso, winner of the annual ping-pong tournament.

Many fine events including the annual Art Exhibit in March are being planned and everything points to this being a banner year for the Medical Students' Club.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES — *Continued*

In early October the Student Council elected the following officers:

*President* - BARTLO LOMBARDO

*Vice-President* - SIDNEY CRAMER

*Secretary and Treasurer* - EMANUEL BIZZARRO

The vote to meet the first Wednesday of each month found the council in session November the 6th. The first draft of the new constitution was read and necessary changes made. When completed, it will be submitted to the student body for ratification. A closer cooperation with the faculty is being sought at this time.

Attempts to secure passes to Welfare Island have not been successful as yet, but the council still has high hopes.

A favorable reaction toward the unannounced examination ruling by the faculty was reported by the class presidents.

## LONG ISLAND NOTES

by HENRY W. EISFELDER, '31

The newly formed Alumni group on Long Island, which started off with such a bang last year, has not had any meetings so far this season. We hope the spirit of good-fellowship and promises of cooperation in the main alumni body are not to be lightly tossed aside and expect to hear good news from this husky new-comer in the ranks of suburban Alumni Chapters.

John C. Peters, Class of 1931, has taken unto himself a wife and has resumed practice in Maspeth after a long absence due to illness. We are glad to have Johnny back with us and hope he will take an active part in the alumni group.

George Herlitz, Class of 1930, has just bought himself a brand-new home in Flushing. He is going to continue his office in Corona where he says they pay with cash and not promises. As a fellow Flushingite, I know just what you mean, George.

After a 28 month experiment with two homeopathic remedies, Cimicifuga and Pulsatilla, the author of this letter has had a paper thereon published in the November, J. A. I. H. He is now attempting to evaluate the natural estrogenic hormones against the synthetic group such as Stilbesterol and Progynon-B.

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## PERSONALS

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CROISSANT, Charles A. '05 advises that his son, Raymond B. Croissant, M.D. Hahnemann, '37, has recently been promoted from 1st Lieut. to Captain at Fort Clayton, Panama, Canal Zone, with Regular Army Medical Corps.

KEELING, J. J., M.D., M.C., '14, Knoxville, Tenn., has been reappointed examiner on the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners and elected Vice-President of the Board. Recently he has been appointed by Governor Cooper, a member of the Board for Selective Service, U. S. Army, and the appointment was confirmed by President Roosevelt.

SAMMIS, Florence, E. '26 of 30 East 76th St., N. Y. C., is specializing in allergy and has received a part time appointment as Research Assistant in Bacteriology with Dr. Gregory Schwartzman at the Mt. Sinai Hospital since 1938. She is also Assistant Physician in Allergy at New York Hospital.

BEYER, William, '27 is at present serving a year on active duty with the U. S. Army. Dr. Beyer is a major in the medical corps and his present assignment is that of Post Surgeon and

Commanding Officer of the hospital at Fort Ontario, Oswego, N. Y. The hospital has staff of 12 Medical Officers and 18 nurses, and will furnish hospitalization for the fort which will have about 2100 men under training. There will be 120 available beds. Mrs. Beyer, '27 Flower Hospital Training School for Nurses and the two junior members of the family are living at the officers quarters with the Major. Latest reports indicate that they are enjoying army life very much.

FISHMAN, Isidore F., '28 announces that he was Certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology at the last convention in Cleveland. He is now located at 125 East 84th Street, N. Y. C.

KLINE, Paul R. '30, addressed the Booster Club of the Trenton Y.M.C.A. on the subject "Skin Diseases and their relation to the Y.M.C.A. and the Community" on November 4th, 1940.

HARTMAN, Milton S. '32, has been appointed Director of the new Dermatology Clinic at the Bushwick Hospital, Brooklyn. He is now practicing Dermatology in Ridgewood, Queens.

FISHMAN, Jack, '33 was married to Miss Florence Gayle Jacobs of Brooklyn and Columbia University, on September 29, 1940. He is a member of the surgical staffs of Beth David and Sydenham Hospitals.



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ROBBINS, Bernard L. '34, and Alexander Robbins, '33 have recently opened their own medical clinic at 1100 Drexel Ave., Miami Beach, Florida.

BECKWITH, Sidney A. '35, formerly of Foga, Newfoundland, N. S. Canada, is now located at 428 West Michigan Ave., Jackson, Mich.

FRANKEL, George W. '35, is now in practice in Los Angeles, Cal. He is on the staff of the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital and Assistant Health Officer of the City of Los Angeles. His work in the Health Dep't. is limited to Contagion. Dr. Frankel was recently married to Miss Ruth Gloria Engle, a native of Southern California and a promising starlet in the movie industry. He invites any of his former classmates to correspond or visit him in Los Angeles.

CALHOUN, Edward J. '36, after interning for two years and then serving as Resident Surgeon and Chief Resident for another two years at the Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals, has opened an office at 35-15 - 155th St., Flushing, L.I.

JACOBSON, Morton A. '36, is now associated with Dr. M. M. Dunning for the practice of diseases of the ear, nose and throat at 391 East 149th Street, Bronx.

LYNCH, Thomas J. '37 has opened his office at 201 Wadsworth Ave., N. Y. C. He interned at the Flower and Fifth Ave. Hospitals, 1937 to 1939, and was House Surgeon at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, N. Y. C., 1939 and 1940.

ROHMER, Edward R. '37, opened his office for the practice of Medicine and Surgery at Bedford, New York. He received an appointment to the Faculty and Staff of the Flower and Fifth Ave. Hospital as Clinical Assistant in Surgery, November, 1940. He is also Instructor in Surgery at the Metrop. Hos.

LONGWORTH, Edward, '37, is Resident in Gyn. and Obs. at the Metrop. Hosp.

SHINER, Irving, '37, is Resident in Thoracic Surgery at the Metrop. Hosp.

MERSHEIMER, Walter, '37, is Resident in Surgery at the Metropolitan Hospital.

KLOTZ, Solomon, '37, is Resident in Medicine at the Metropolitan Hospital.

REINSTEIN, Herman, '37, is Resident in Medicine at the Metropolitan Hospital.

DRAGUTSKY, David, '37, is Resident in Pediatrics at the Metropolitan Hospital.

RUBIN, Leonard, '37, is Attending in Plastic Surgery at the Metropolitan Hospital.

AARON, Harold, '38, completed a two year internship at Metropolitan Hospital in June, 1940. He was married in June, and is now opening his office at 249 East 37th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

CIAGLIA, Pasquale, '38, received the appointment as Resident in Thoracic Surgery at Sea View Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y. C., beginning January 1st, 1941,

after finishing his medical residency in Tuberculosis at the same institution.

LIDDELL, R. Neilson, '38 is Resident at Somerset Hospital, Somerville, N. J.

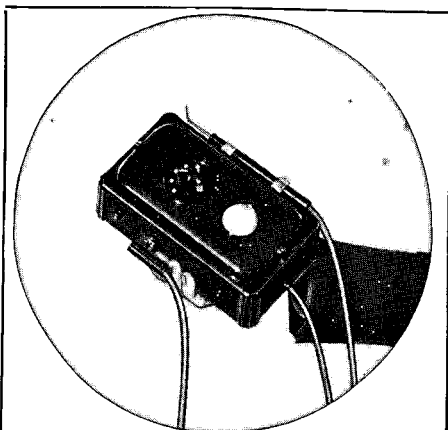
O'CONNELL, Daniel J. '38, announces the opening of his office at 3245 Perry Avenue, Bronx.

ZODIKOFF, Meyer, '38, practicing in Newburgh, N. Y. since completing internship at Metropolitan Hospital, was recently appointed Welfare Department physician by the City and Town Home Commission.

MAJZLIN, Gregory, '39, is the father of twin boys born on November 11, 1940. He is moving his office to 163 Rockaway Parkway Brooklyn, N. Y.

SCHEPS, Herman, '39, announces the arrival of a baby girl, Susan Linda, on November 3rd, 1940. Dr. Scheps opened his office for the practice of general medicine on January 1, 1941 at Portchester, N. Y.

ALLYN, W. E. Jr., '40, was married on November 29, 1940 to Dorothy Ruth Newton of Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Dr. Richard Stahl, '39 and Dr. C. Wallace Marsh, '40, were among the ushers at the wedding. Dr. Allyn, Jr., and Dr. Marsh are interning at the Huron Road Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. Miss Newton is a graduate of Huron Road Hospital School of Nursing.



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