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FLOWER AND FIFTH AVENUE HOSPITALS
FIFTH AVENUE AT ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH STREET
NEW YORK 29, NEW YORK

October 20, 1959

Dear Doctor:

Preparations for the fifteenth annual Carnival are already underway. As you know, this event is sponsored for the benefit of the Student Loan Fund, the purpose being to aid those who would otherwise be unable to meet the rising costs of a modern medical education.

To date, over \$35,000 has been loaned, interest free, to deserving students. In order that such work be continued, we solicit your fullest support and cooperation so that the Student Loan Fund may continue to expand with the times and with the need.

By far the major portion of the funds available for student aid comes from the sale of Carnival subscription books. The drawing for the winning name is a feature of Carnival night. In line with the present day popularity of foreign cars, this year our first prize will be a British Triumph.

You may also further the aims and purpose of this Carnival by supporting our program. We will be happy to include in the Carnival program a list of those who assisted by contributing as a sponsor, for five dollars, or a booster for one dollar.

Please make all returns by check or money order to:

Student Loan Fund Committee
New York Medical College
1 East 105th Street
New York 29, New York

Thank you for your kind support.

Sincerely yours,

John T. Carr
R. Peter Altman

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RALPH E. SNYDER, '50

By the time this issue reaches you, I hope you will have seen the report on our first Annual Fund. Our success this first year represents a milestone in which we can all take pride.

In only one year we have caught up with most of the other medical schools and, in some respects, surpassed the efforts of institutions which have had annual funds for over a decade. You, the alumni, are the keystone of the College's annual giving program, and a large share of the credit for our success belongs to you. The letters which many of you sent along with your contributions encouraged the committee and helped to instill a deeper sense of the responsibility to medical education which we all share.

An institution such as our College cannot stand still; it must move either forward or backward. Together we have made the choice to move forward.

The success of our first Annual Fund shows concretely that we intend to build our College into an institution of greater eminence and greater service. We are going to meet the coming challenges in the medical sciences with courage and honor—the demands of more people for better medical services; the need to conquer killing and crippling diseases; the new problems rising from our ventures into space, and the desperate competition for excellence from those who embrace an ideology which subverts all human values. Our College must play an important part in meeting these problems—by your support you have given your College the strength to accomplish our ideals.

Next year, our Centennial year, I hope all of you will join our Annual Fund. The monies raised by this activity is important to the College. But most important of all is the fact of your participation. For if we stand together and express our dedication to the medical sciences, funds from sources greater than physicians can ever command will be made available to us.

I know all of us share a dream for our College's great future. With our first Annual Fund, we have started to make that dream a reality. With your continued support, we cannot fail.

A
MESSAGE
FROM
THE
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
PRESIDENT



It is with both humility and pride that I greet you. I wish that it could be a more personal and individual greeting, but time and distance do not permit that. And so I choose this means.

Indeed, it has been an honor to have been elected President of the Alumni Association. It has meant, on your part, the consideration of a man you feel can do the job which needs to be done. For me, it has meant—and will mean for the next three years, “do the job.” It is my hope, and I know the Board members agree with me, that you will see growth, quality, and stature. And this, I feel, is the job ahead.

Much has been done.

Much more needs to be done.

And, working together, much will be done.

Fraternally yours,

Carl C. Salzman

POST GRADUATE CRUISE ANNOUNCED

New York Medical College, Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals, will sponsor a fifteen day post-graduate cruise to the Caribbean, in conjunction with its centennial celebration. Dr. Linn J. Boyd, Director of the Division of Graduate Studies, states that the fifteen day cruise will leave New York on February 25, 1960, and visit St. Thomas, La Guaira, Curacao, Cristobal, Kingston, and Havana, spending six days in these ports of call and nine days at sea, aboard the S.S. Hanseatic, a vessel owned by the Hamburg Atlantic Line, West Germany. Sessions of three hours will be held each morning while at sea and during one afternoon. The sessions will include lectures, clinical pathological conferences, lantern slide projections, and demonstrations of films, and will comprise 30 hours of instruction. The subjects for presentation have been selected with the practical office and bedside problems of the general practitioner in mind and will include topics dealing with differential diagnosis and therapy in various fields of medicine, surgery, obstetrics, and gynecology, as well as clinical laboratory and roentgenologic interpretation. Physicians may be accompanied by their wives.

The Faculty will include:

Dr. Ralph E. Snyder, Dean of the College; Dr. Linn J. Boyd, Director of the Division of Graduate Studies; Dr. Frank J. Borrelli, Director of Roentgenology; Dr. Kenneth R. Crispell, Director of Medicine; Dr. David Scherf, Professor of Clinical Medicine (Cardiology); Dr. Francis D. Speer, Director of Pathology and Clinical Pathology; and Dr. Martin L. Stone, Director of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Further information may be obtained from the Division of Graduate Studies, New York Medical College, Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals, Fifth Avenue at 106th Street, New York 29, New York.



Dr. Leo M. Taran, internationally known physician in the field of cardiac diseases, died unexpectedly at his home in Great Neck, Long Island, on September 10. He was 57 years old.

Since 1957, Dr. Taran has served on the faculty of New York Medical College. At the time of his death, Dr. Taran was director of the Cardiopulmonary Program which was designed to focus knowledge from all fields of medicine on the problems of heart disease.

Dr. Taran was born in Russia in 1902, the son of Maurice Taran and Bertha Jephest. He attended East High School in Rochester, New York, and later graduated from Harvard College and Harvard Medical School. He received postgraduate training in Berlin.

During World War I, Dr. Taran served with the Harvard Naval Unit. From 1936 to 1955, he served as medical director of the St. Francis Sanatorium for Cardiac Children in Roslyn, New York, also aiding in its founding and development into an internationally known institution. Dr. Taran had been Chief

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TARAN (*Continued*)

of the Cardiac Clinic, Kings County Hospital, Associate Chief of the Children's Cardiac Clinic of Beth Israel Hospital, and research consultant at the Brooklyn Home and Hospital for the Aged. In addition, Dr. Taran maintained a private consultative practice in Garden City, New York.

He was a member of the American Medical Association, the American and New York Heart Association, New York Academy of Sciences, Inter-American Cardiological Congress, American Academy of Pediatrics, Nassau County Medical Society, American College of Chest Physicians, Asociacion Medica Argentina, Medical Association of Israel, American College of Cardiology, and a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine.

He served on numerous committees including the National Council on Rheumatic Fever, Scientific Council of the American Heart Association, the Public Health Planning Committee of the New York Heart Association, and the Nassau County Heart and Public Health Association.

Dr. Taran was known throughout South America, Europe, and the Middle East where he conducted lecture courses in cardiology in various leading cities. He was the author of over 60 articles published in scientific journals.

Dr. Taran was respected by his colleagues not only as an eminent physician in his chosen field but as a man of wide cultural, scholarly, and philanthropic interests.

Surviving are his widow, Freeda; a daughter, Bette; and four sisters.

The family requested that in lieu of flowers, contributions be sent to the Cardiopulmonary Program of New York Medical College, Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals.

DEATHS

SAMFT, HENRY L., '18 died on January 22, 1959.



BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Minutes of Meeting

The Board of Governors of the Alumni Association was called to order on September 16, 1959, at 3:15 P.M., in the Halsey Room by President Carl C. Salzman.

PRESENT: Drs. Napp, Black, Silverstein, Andronaco, Donnenfeld, Halkin, Hayner, Lillick, Mersheimer, Schwartz, Shiner, Slobody, Stone, and Wershub, and Mr. Leo.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as written.

Financial Report: Accepted as written.

Checking account	\$13,580.50
Savings account	7,591.17
TOTAL	\$21,171.67

Doctors' Sick Benefit Fund \$18,251.35.

Membership Report: Accepted as written.

Senior	1317
Junior	235
Armed Forces	57
TOTAL	1609

Banquet Report: Accepted as written.

447 attended
a profit of \$860.22.

Members of the class of '54 were admitted for \$7.50.

Letters from President Snyder and Mr. Lincoln were read in which they expressed their thanks to the Board of Governors and the alumni for a gift of \$300, in addition to the individual contributions, made to the First Annual Fund.

Dr. Salzman reported on the final results of the Fund, and stated that the complete results are forthcoming in a general announcement.

Election of Associate Members:

The following were elected to Associate Membership:

Irving Neufeld
Leo A. Green
Arthur E. Schwartz
Theodore K. Himmelstein

Committee Appointments:

Dr. Salzman announced the following general committee appointments.

Publication.....J. Clifford Hayner
Banquet..... Bernard J. Wattiker
Membership..... Lois Lillick
Audit.....Jules Blankfein
Elections.....George R. Nagamatsu
Budget..... Martin L. Stone
Welfare.....J. Clifford Hayner
Groundhog Day..... Frank Borrelli
Alumni Day Activities
A. A. Lombardi
Alumni Chapters...William Einhorn

Freshman Reception:

Dr. Salzman reported that the Freshman Reception was not planned this year because it was felt that this activity and its purpose were not clearly defined, that much more thought must be involved, and that the results of previous efforts of this nature are questionable.

Function of Executive Committee:

Dr. Salzman explained the purpose as being one of a way in which to expedite the business matters of the Board, that this committee would make all decisions *only* with the approval of the board.

Dr. Mersheimer objected on the grounds that a committee of this type was not constitutional; it was later pointed out that the President was within his powers to appoint such a committee; it was further advised that "Executive" be changed to "Advisory" and upon this act the Board felt the committee could go ahead as planned. It was also suggested that the former president be invited to sit in on these committee meetings.

Centennial Plans:

No plans have been presented to the Board.

Other Business:

Dr. A. Alan Goldbloom requested that his dues be suspended. This was approved.

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD J. WATTIKER, M.D.
Secretary

by
CARL C. SALZMAN, M.D.
President

CLASS NOTES . . .

'19

Louise E. Stauderman, M.D.
410 Gramatan Avenue
Mount Vernon, New York

Louise E. Stauderman writes: "Since our class does not get in the news much, I would like our classmates to know that three of us were at the Alumni Banquet, June 8th, to celebrate our Fortieth Anniversary. Dr. Emily Franklin of Brooklyn, Dr. Gaetanina Marchesani Greenwald, and I. Both Drs. Franklin and I are in active practice. There was a message from Dr. Selma Weiss of Newark, N. J., who is spending the summer in an extended tour in Europe with her husband. We should like to hear from former classmates."

'24

Anthony George Sabin is a Civilian Medical Officer at the United States Army Hospital, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. If any of his classmates are interested in visiting West Point, or obtaining tickets for athletic events, they are asked to contact him.

'25

Mathew Warpick
600 West 138th Street
New York 31, New York

Mathew Warpick writes that the class of '25 is planning a 35 year reunion in 1960.

'34

George R. Nagamatsu
121 East 60th Street,
New York, New York

Dr. Leon L. LaMonica was recently elected National Medical Officer of the Catholic War Veterans of the U.S.A. at a National Convention held in Pittsburgh.

'35

Domenick Di Tata writes that he is co-author of the publication "The Relationship to Rheumatoid Arthritis of Its So-Called Variants." Vol. 1, No. 6, Dec. 1958, by Currier McEwen, Morris Ziff, Philip Carmel, Domenick Di Tata, and Martin Tanner.

'37

Peter Bisconti
1070 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Drs. Leonard R. Rubin '37, Richard H. Walden, and Bertram E. Bromberg had a booth at the American College of Surgeons' meeting in Atlantic City, demonstrating the ABC's in Treatment of Facial Bone Fractures. The exhibit covered all the basic principles and methods of treatment based on a series of 2,000 consecutive cases.

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'38

Lyman J. Spire
Highbridge Road,
Fayetteville, New York

Stuart A. Mason is living in Ridgewood, New Jersey, and has his practice limited to internal medicine. He is a member of the Department of Medicine and Allergy staff, fourth division, at Bellevue Hospital, and at University Hospital. His paper, entitled "Coronary Embolus," was published in the August 8th issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. Another paper—"Peptic Ulcer in the Aged"—will appear soon in the *Journal of the Medical Society of New Jersey*. His paper "Extensive Dissecting Aneurysm of the Abdominal Aorta, Treated by Wiring," will appear soon in *Angiology*.

'45

Edward J. Nightingale
12 East 87th Street
New York, New York

Edward H. Mandel has been promoted to Associate Clinical Professor in Dermatology and Associate Attending Dermatologist at the New York Medical College.

'47

Herbert M. Eskwitt
59 State Street,
Teaneck, New Jersey

Robert W. Ballard has been appointed to the position of assistant medical director of White Laboratories, Inc. He is married and is the father of four daughters. Since joining White Laboratories, Dr. Ballard and his family have taken up residence in Summit, New Jersey.

Ian M. Thompson, assistant professor of surgery at the University of Michigan Medical Center, has been appointed chairman of the Department of Urology at the University of Missouri Medical School in Columbia, Mo.

'49

Laura G. Morgan
21 Bridge Street
Stamford, Connecticut

Shirley Ann Collins has retired from private practice of obstetrics and gynecology in Kingston, New York, on December 31, 1958, to go into research in sterility and fertility. She is Assistant Director of Clinical Research for Ortho Research Foundation in Raritan, New Jersey.

'50

David Plotkin
495 Merrick Road,
Massapequa, New York

Dr. Harry A. DiBlanda '32, has announced the appointment of Dr. Noel L. Conrade to assist in the practice of general medicine. Dr. Conrade is the founder and director of the Poison Center at Norwalk Hospital in Connecticut.

'51

George M. Massell
43 West Front Street
Red Bank, New Jersey

Rita A. Medico writes: "When I returned from Europe this fall, after spending my entire summer there, I opened the *Chironian* to my favorite pages. I was so proud of the Class of 1954. Their presence at the alumni dinner showed a loyalty toward their school that should set an example to all the other classes before or after. I wasn't too surprised, because from the very beginning this was an exceptional class, and I loved working with them. The class of 1951 was very poorly represented. Our tenth anniversary is not so far off. Surely, the thought of such a wonderful school as ours, should muster up some emotion in what appears to be a rather insensible class."

'53

Robert S. Donnenfeld
1 Joyce Road
Hartsdale, New York

Joseph E. Davis writes: "I am now Chief Resident, Cornell Division of Urology, Bellevue Hospital. An article of mine, 'Effect of Piptal on the Urinary Bladder as Determined by Cystometric Study' will appear in the September issue of the *Journal of Urology*. Dianne and I reside at 34 West 9th Street with our two year old Hal Scott, and expect another bundle in September."

Sheridan Shirley has been appointed instructor in surgery to the urology section on the University of Alabama Medical Center faculty.

Martin B. Stahl has become a member of the Obstetrical and Gynecological Group of Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

'54

Jean A. Krag
37 Langdon Street
Cambridge 39, Mass.

Chester M. Bernstein has announced the opening of an office for the practice of internal medicine in association with Dr. Lawrence B. Ahrens and Dr. Alexander E. Bayer in the Packard Building, 25 Arch Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

Harry C. Conte will open an office for the practice of pediatrics at 357 Whitney Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut.

Dr. Leonard Wershub '27, writes:

"I recently received a letter from one of our graduates, Doctor J. F. Donaldson, who at present is a Medical Missionary in Southern Rhodesia, Africa. He wrote to me about a case which I had written to him about, which I have omitted from his letter, but I think the following is so interesting it should be reprinted in *The Chironian*.

"I have greatly enjoyed delving into *Urology and Industry*. It arrived yesterday and I read it at the table as one would read the morning paper. My wife is most tolerant! Even though it is entitled "industry" the vast majority of cases could apply out here as well. It is a pleasure delving into them. They have a certain detective story quality and witsharpening facility which I shall enjoy.

"Urology is a big field here, not only for histosomiasis and the venereal diseases but also for the many curiosities one can see. A month ago an old man came in with a hy-

drocele, for instance, containing literally over a gallon, and extending to his knees. He carried it in a goat-skin tied to his belt. Fortunately he was old fashioned and still wore a skirt to cover it. (Moderns wear trousers). We excised the sac, reconstructed a bit, and sent him home quite pleased. (I'd be glad to send you a before and an after photo if you'd be interested. I will do so when my colleague returns with the before shots, I have the afters.)"

Valentine J. Deduk has opened an office for the practice of surgery. Dr. Deduk is married to Dr. Nancy Deduk who also practices medicine in Seymour, Connecticut.

'55

William A. Stevens
1630 Ford Parkway
St. Paul, Minnesota

John F. Barrett has announced the opening of his office at 400 Center Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey, for the practice of obstetrics and gynecology.

Stanley Gould has announced the opening of his office at 3829 Plyers Mill Road, Kensington, Maryland, his practice being limited to infants, children, and young people.

Richard E. Hosbach has announced the opening of his office at the Medical Arts Building, Newton Avenue, Norwich, Conn. His practice will be limited to the care of infants and children. Dr. Hosbach is a member of the teaching staff of New York Medical College, where he is instructor in pediatrics. He is married to the former Marguerette Noonan of Hartford, Conn., and has two daughters.

John F. McDermott Jr. writes:

"I have completed two years of psychiatric residency at University Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Married Sarah Noble Schemm of Grosse Pointe, Michigan, December 27, 1958. We are now living in Key West, Florida, where I have completed one year as Chief of Neuropsychiatry at the U.S. Naval Hospital, with another year to serve before returning to Ann Arbor."

Paul E. Van Horn, Jr., has been appointed a fellow in orthopedic surgery at the Mayo Foundation in Rochester, Minnesota.

'56

Stephen Rous
Philadelphia General Hospital
Philadelphia 4, Pa.

Kenneth L. Becker has been appointed a fellow in medicine at the Mayo Foundation in Rochester, Minnesota.

Donald A. Peck has been appointed a fellow in surgery at the Mayo Foundation in Rochester, Minnesota.

'57

Joseph A. Intile
1710 Noyes Lane
Silver Springs, Md.

James H. Armstrong has just begun a two year tour of duty with the U. S. Navy and is attached to the station hospital at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Maryland.

Frank A. Clair was associated with Dr. R. M. Yaeger at his office at 234 Webster Avenue, Seaside Heights, for the summer months. He will be an associate member of the Mercer County Medical Society. He is married to the former Edith Sparling and the couple have two children, Frank A., III, age 5, and Meredith, age 3.

James Dorséy provided a notable double in professional circles by announcing he is beginning the practice of medicine in Saratoga Springs. Already a member of the bar following graduation from Albany Law School in 1952, Dr. Dorsey has accommodations for medical practice at the office of Dr. Vincent R. Kelleher, 135 Lake Avenue, Saratoga Springs, New York. He will also be associated with the law firm of Brackett, Eddy & Dorsey as medical consultant in legal matters where personal injury is involved. Dr. Dorsey and his wife Patricia have three daughters, Katherine, Mary Lee, and Pamela.

Ray A. Harron writes:

"At present I am in the second year of radiology residency at the U. S. P. H. S. Hospital in New Orleans; it is a good program and we have a nice association with the Tulane—L.S.U. Charity Hospital Medical Center. Stanley Wegryn '56, and I have an article appearing in *Obstetrics and Gynecology* probably sometime this fall. Stan left the service and is in New Jersey doing Ob-Gyn.

"Certainly enjoy reading the *Chironian* and would be happy to see any NYMC grads passing thru the New Orleans area."

Joe Intile writes:

"Following is some news about the class of '57 that has filtered down to me and that I have first-hand knowledge of:

"Joseph, our third child and second son, was born to Catherine and me at Walter Reed on March 5th. Three children certainly make for an active household. I'm currently working on a general medical ward with Jack Weg, Class of '59, who is an Air Force intern here. We see Frank Major occasionally who started his internship in Obstetrics Service.

"Dan Baer paid us a visit during a recent visit to the East Coast from his pathology residency at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in San Francisco with which he is very happy. Undoubtedly he has been the most productive writer the class has produced. He co-authored an article in an August 1958, *Lancet* concerning 'Extracorporeal Circulation in Intracardiac Surgery,' and another article in the November, 1958, issue of the *American Heart Journal* entitled 'Serum Electrolyte Observations Following Extracorporeal Circulation.'

"Bernie Nicora writes from his Korean assignment that he is planning a residency in internal medicine upon completion of his Army tour of duty. He has been impressed by Japan and Hong Kong.

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"Christopher Cordin Hunt arrived at Tom and Jane's household on April 24th. Tom is doing a radiology residency at Boston City Hospital and plans to practice in Rhode Island upon finishing his training.

"Another arrival has been Suzanne Hall Kenyon to Dick and Mitzi at Clark Air Force Base Hospital near Manila on June 30th.

"A patient we received in transfer from the United States Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia, had only praise for Guy Settignano, who has since been transferred to the Massachusetts area.

"Tom O'Connell will definitely start his general surgery residency in September at William Beaumont Army Hospital in El Paso."

Robert Littlejohn has completed a tour of duty with the Navy. He and his family have moved from Jamaica to Barberton, Ohio, for a year of general practice residency. The vacancy thus created in the U.S.N. has been ably filled by the James Armstrongs who have reported to Patuxent River Naval Air Station, Maryland.

'58 Charles D. McCullough
St. Vincent's Hospital
Bridgeport, Connecticut

Arnold N. Benson has been appointed a fellow in medicine at the Mayo Foundation in Rochester, Minnesota.

Ralph F. Brandon recently assumed duties at the Bayonne Naval Supply Depot. He came to the Depot from St. Albans Naval Hospital, Long Island, New York.

Frances E. Healy, Jr., writes:

"Following my internship at the U.S.A.F. Hospital, Lackland A.F.B., I completed some extra training in Ob-Gyn and will be going to Perrin A.F.B. Texas, above Dallas, where I will be the Chief of Ob-Gyn at this small base hospital. Looking forward to it with keen anticipation.

"Announcing the arrival on July 6, 1959, of our No. 3 son, Thomas Kevin Healy. Wife, children, and self all doing well." New Address: 145 B. Doolittle, Perrin A.F.B., Texas.

Peter J. McLoughlin was married to Miss Jacqueline A. Rodgers, July 4, 1959.

'59 Gustave W. Mork
St. Vincent's Hospital
Erie, Pa.

Jack Stapleton writes:

"Greetings from the Golden West:-

"Skip Bechert is happy at Cedars of Lebanon; he and wife, the former Rosemarie Woel, are expecting in October. Skip is thinking of a surgical residency in the L.A. area.

"Art Wolber and Kim at Santa Monica and are expecting in November. Their future is undecided.

"Ben Cox and his wife Julia are happy at Huntington; Ben is seriously considering staying at Huntington for a neuro-surgical residency.

"Russ Poucher becoming advertized at White Memorial. He has a future in internal medicine and will probably locate somewhere on the West Coast.

"I am still trying to find my way around Los Angeles county. The place is fantastic and I look back upon the Met as a former vacation resort. In addition to the work, the play is wonderful—sand, sea, and sun. Russ and I currently share an apartment in Hollywood and next month we are taking a beach house in Newport. When settled we will try to organize the NYMC grads of Southern California in a unified group."



CLASS NOTES

NAME _____ Year _____

(Tear)

News items about yourself and your colleagues for the next issue of the magazine, mail to Editor, the Chironian, 1 East 105th Street, New York 29, New York.

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