

Medical School

THE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL retains its Class A rating, but it is the only state university medical school in the nation that has had no expansion program for 15 years, Dr. Wann Langston, of Oklahoma City, declared in the principal address at the annual Spring meeting of the Medical School Alumni Association, held last month at Tulsa.

Declaring also that the bed capacity of University Hospital is 50 below normal because of lack of funds to operate them, Dr. Langston urged the medical alumni to acquaint the citizens of the state with the needs of the Medical School.

After commenting that many citizens, and some medical school alumni, do not understand the basic purposes and functions of the Medical School, he summarized the functions as follows:

1. Education of young doctors.
2. Care of the sick.
3. Postgraduate study.
4. Aid to doctors who graduated from the institution, and also other doctors practicing in the state.
5. Training nurses.

Dr. Langston emphasized that without proper teaching cases in University Hospital, the instruction program is greatly impaired, and he suggested that cases not suitable for teaching purposes should not be referred to the institution for care. From an educational viewpoint, the present quota system giving each county a quota of patients in the hospital in proportion to its population, is a definite handicap, he said.

The Medical School has co-operated in the war effort by increasing the freshman enrolment from 65 to 75, but has not been able to accelerate the teaching program to less than four years because of lack of funds, Dr. H. A. Shoemaker, assistant dean, reported.

Dr. Shoemaker explained that the salary appropriation for the staff covers only 10 months of the year. There also is a lack of equipment that would be needed for an accelerated program.

Approximately 150 alumni of the Medical School are known to be serving in the armed forces, Dr. Wayne M. Hull, secretary-treasurer of the association, reported.

Deaths of medical alumni during the year 1941 were reported as follows:

Dr. Dick Lowry, '16, professor of clinical obstetrics.

Dr. W. E. Montgomery, '11.

Dr. Walter T. Dardis, '11.

Dr. Thomas U. Boyd, '17.

Dr. C. K. Logan, '20.

Dr. John F. Sargent, '21.

Dr. Carl T. Arrington, '30.

Dr. Gus Funk, '33.

Dr. Ira Brown, '32.

Dr. David Gordon Morris, '34.

Dr. Brown and Dr. Funk were serving in the Army at the time of their deaths.

Presiding officer at the meeting was Dr. Ray M. Balyeat, '18, of Oklahoma City, the new president of the medical alumni. Dr. William Taylor, professor emeritus, who was to be honorary toastmaster, was unable to be present. Dean Robert U. Patterson also was unable to attend, because of illness. Total attendance at the meeting was 69.

Faculty

Dr. Paul C. Colonna, professor of orthopedics, attended a meeting of the New York Academy of Medicine, New York City, in April. He read before the section on Orthopedic Surgery a paper entitled, An Arthroplasty of Congenital Dislocation of the Hip.

Alumni

Dr. Bertram Allen Weeks, '41med, was married April 25 to Miss Patricia Webster of Oklahoma City in the Chapel of Saint Madeleine Sophie, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Dr. Weeks is serving an internship at the station hospital at Fort Sam Houston.

Dr. Jack C. Haldeman, '37med, engaged in work for the U. S. Public Health Service, is now at 152 Alumni Avenue, Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

Dr. Hugh Humphrey, '30med, is taking postgraduate work at Wesley Hospital, Wichita, Kansas. He is at home on furlough after spending four years in China as a medical missionary.

Dr. Joseph Castronovo, '29med, Providence, Rhode Island, is Public Health Officer with the Rhode Island Department of Health.

Dr. F. B. Patterson, '27med, St. Louis, Missouri, has been appointed associate medical officer for the Ninth District of Civil Service, for the duration of the war.

Dr. Charles L. Piper, '15med, is on the staff of the Uintah and Ouray Hospital, Fort Duchesne, Utah.

Dr. Elmer F. Garlington, '15med, Phoenix, Arizona, expects to be in defense work after May 1, probably in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Dr. Sylba Adams, '24med, is a member of the staff of the Tacoma Indian Hospital, Tacoma, Washington.

Dr. Shiam Lall, '23med, completed the postgraduate basic science course in Otolaryngology in the Washington University Graduate Medical School, St. Louis, Missouri, in May.

Dr. Claud E. Carter, '32med, is a civil service employe at the Veterans Hospital, Bronx, New York.

Dr. Joe C. Rude, '30med, is professor in the medical department of Duke University. His address is Box 3625, Duke Hospital, Durham, North Carolina.

IMAGE IS NOT AVAILABLE
ONLINE DUE TO COPYRIGHT
RESTRICTIONS.

A paper copy of this issue
is available at call
number LH 1 .06S6 in
Bizzell Memorial Library.