Medical School

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Dr. Harry Alexander, professor of internal medicine at the Washington University Medical School, St. Louis, Missouri, and editor of the National Journal of Allergy, addressed a large audience of state physicians, medical students, and lay people on the subject, "The Present Status of Chemotherapy in the Treatment of Diseases," September 30, in the auditorium of the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine.

This program was the fourth in a series of annual lectures sponsored by the Alpha Lambda chapter of the Phi Beta Pi medical fraternity at the Medical School. It was a tribute to the memory of the late Dr. LeRoy Long, who for years stood alone among the pioneers of modern medicine in the State of Oklahoma. Dr. Long was the dean and professor of surgery at the School of Medicine, which he directed from 1915 to 1931.

Members of the alumni and undergraduate group of Phi Beta Pi entertained Dr. Alexander at a dinner at the Oklahoma Club preceding the lecture. Dr. Joseph Kelso welcomed the guest and he was introduced by Dean Tom Lowry, a member of the Phi Beta Pi Alumni group.

Dr. H. A. Shoemaker, acting dean of the School of Medicine, attended the 54th annual meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges held in Cleveland, Ohio, on October 25, 26, and 27. While in Cleveland, Dr. Shoemaker also attended the Western Reserve University School of Medicine's centennial anniversary.

Dr. Arthur A. Hellbaum represented the School of Medicine at a meeting of the deans of medical colleges in the Eighth Naval District, held in New Orleans, Louisiana, on October 1. The purpose of this meeting was to work out a plan of procedure for the final selection of medical students who have gone through the V-12 Pre-medical Program of the Navy.

Dr. Ivo A. Nelson, pathologist, St. John's Hospital, Tulsa, was recently appointed visiting lecturer in clinical pathology. Dr. Nelson is a graduate of the School of Medicine, Class of 1925, and is certified by the American Board of Pathology.

Begins Active Deanship

Dr. Tom Lowry, '16med, has taken over the policy-making functions of both the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine and the University Hospitals as his first step toward full deanship. Dr. H. A. Shoemaker, assistant dean and professor of pharmacology, has been serving as acting dean during the past year because of Dr. Lowry's illness. He will continue as assistant dean and Medical School faculty member.

Since his appointment in October, 1942, as dean of the school, Dr. Lowry has been acting in an advisory capacity. He succeeded Gen. Robert U. Patterson.

Alumni

- ▶ Dr. Phillip Joseph, '40med, has been appointed director of the Creek County Health Department with headquarters in Sapulpa. He formerly was director of the Tri-County Unit in Madill. Dr. Joseph served his interneship in Los Angeles, California.
- Miss Clara Haas, '34nurse, and Presley Cornelius, both of Cherokee, were married September 4. Mrs. Cornelius was an instructor on the staff of Enid General Hospital and previously taught nursing in the Clinton Hospital. She also holds a degree in home economics from Oklahoma A. and M. College, Stillwater. Mr. Cornelius is associated with the Safeway store in Enid where the couple have established a home.
- ► Home on leave from the Southwest Pacific, Lt. Com. Harold Abernethy, '39 med, learned of the death of his father, J. V. Abernethy, Altus, in September. His brother, Comdr. Alton C. Abernethy, '30 med, is also in the Navy.
- ▶ Maj. Meredith M. Appleton, '34med, and Mrs. Appleton are the parents of a baby son Meredith Mercus Appleton II born September 6 in Oklahoma City. Major Appleton was on foreign duty with Allied forces in England.
- ▶ Dr. Herbert Orr, '42med, and Mrs. Orr, Tulsa, are parents of a baby daughter Carolyn Ann born September 23.
- ▶ Miss Jane Hart Messenger and Capt. George Edward Dodson, '40med, of the Medical Corps, were married June 26 in San Antonio, Texas. The bride attended Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts. Captain Dodson served for more than a year in Hawaii and later was transferred to the School of Aviation Medicine Randolph Field, Texas. He recently was transferred to Tampa, Florida, where the couple have established a home.

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