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This issue of *gw medicine* is dedicated to Dr. H. Gladys Kain, who died last April of cancer. During her 70 years she maintained close ties with the Medical School and the Medical Alumni Association.

Dr. Kain won distinction in the nation's capital, her birthplace. She was Columbia

Hospital's first woman resident, and in 1927 she was one of the doctors who helped build Washington's first Medical Building.

A specialist in gynecological surgery and obstetrics, Dr. Kain spent most of her professional life helping unwed mothers. Her associates say she never turned anyone away among the hundreds of girls who came to her.

She was a former chairman of the Woman Physicians of the Southern Medical Association, Past President of the Woman's Medical Society, former Vice President of the D. C. Medical Society and a member of the Washington Gynecological Society and the American Association for the study of sterility.

The Medical Alumni Association, the School of Medicine and the Greater Washington Area have lost an excellent physician, good friend and loyal supporter. But Dr. Kain's legacy of competence, compassion and dedication remains to inspire her profession.



The 1964-65 Medical Annual Support Program exceeded any past annual giving effort among medical alumni when it closed on August 31. More than 850 alumni and friends of the Medical School gave more than \$50,000 through the Medical Annual Support Program.

The total credited to the Medical Annual Support Program included gifts made in response to solicitations from the Medical Alumni Associations, gifts made through the American Medical Association Education Fund and gifts made by alumni to the Medical School Endowment Fund. The unrestricted portions of these gifts are being used in accordance with agreements between the Medical Alumni Association and the Medical School. For instance, in 1964-65, gifts of alumni and friends have assisted in the following areas: support of the Medical Alumni Association activities; support of salary increases for faculty members in the basic medical sciences; and support of "Medical Alumni Scholarships" awarded to a member of the freshman, sophomore and junior classes.

Medical School alumni led all other schools and colleges of the University in contributing to their Annual Support Program. Giving to the 1964-65 Annual Support Program, including the more than \$50,000 from medical alumni and friends, exceeded \$200,000 for the first time in the history of annual giving at The George Washington University. (See page 8 for donors' names.)

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ON THE COVER

Outgoing President George Speck congratulates incoming President Richard E. Palmer as the gavel changed hands at the annual reunion of medical alumni in May.

New President in Tripartite Agreement



Shown between University Trustee Chairman E. K. Morris and Dean John Parks, new GW President Lloyd H. Elliott, attended the opening assembly of the School of Medicine in September. Dr. Elliott succeeds the late Thomas H. Carroll as GW's 14th President.

At the University of Maine, which he headed for the past seven years, Dr. Elliott aroused citizens and the state legislature to needs for enlarged facilities, and the operating funds of the University subsequently rose at the rate of \$1 million dollars a year. The University of Maine added 15 new buildings under his administration and planned for other facilities now under construction.

A native of West Virginia, the new President has a background of high school teaching and administration, and collegiate instruction at the University of Colorado and Cornell University.

Alumni Name Dr. Beachley Secretary



Ralph G. Beachley, M.D., a 1920 alumnus of the Medical School who looks back on 40 years in the Public Health Service and nearly 30 years on the GW faculty, has begun a new career.

He was named Executive Secretary—the first administrative head—of the Medical Alumni Association in October. As its executive officer he will operate under the elected officers and the Alumni Council, working within the framework of the General Alumni Association of the University.

Dr. Beachley will be responsible for operations of the Medical Alumni Office, including the staff and budget. He will help to organize clinics and reunions; alert the University to medical alumni honored during the year; and contact alumni both personally and through correspondence.

Dr. Beachley retired in July as Director of Public Health of Arlington County, Va., but his work in Public Health has seen him stationed in Louisiana, North and South Carolina and Maryland as well. He holds the degree of Doctor of Public Health from the University of Georgia, has lectured at several universities and was named professor emeritus at GW in 1963.

He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Preventive Medicine and Public Health, a Fellow in both the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Royal Society of Health of England.

The new Executive Secretary and his wife live in Arlington, not far from their daughter, also a GW graduate, and her family. A history and archeology buff, Dr. Beachley will no doubt find "new diggings" in his travels around the Medical Alumni Association circuit while developing new activities programs.

Memo from the Dean

The School of Medicine session opened this year with another capacity freshman class of 108 students. Many of you who have been out of school for several years will be interested in the changing characteristics of medical students. They are younger, many are married and a high percentage need scholarship or loan support to meet the high cost of medical education.

The 1965 freshman class consists of eight women and 100 men. Forty members are 18 to 21 years old, 62 are 22 to 25, and five are 25 to 29.

Interest in our school remains at a high level. There were 1,959 applications from every part of the nation and from allied countries for the 108 places. Nineteen^{*} states, the District of Columbia, England, Puerto Rico and the Republic of Panama are represented in the first class.

While our students continue to have Medical College Admission Test scores well above the national average for accepted candidates, our selections are still based on personal, as well as academic qualifications that characterize students best suited for the study of medicine. Associate Dean Griffin, Dr. Calabrisi and I express our appreciation to the many GW medical graduates and friends who helped us select the excellent members of our freshman class.

We were very pleased to have a distinguished educator, Dr. Robert C. Berson, executive director of the Association of American Medical Colleges, as the principal speaker for this year's opening assembly. A portion of his address appears in this issue.

Very soon upper classmen will share advantages with the clinical staff in the new Eugene Meyer Pavilion of the University Hospital. Additional student conference rooms, new research laboratories, monitored operating rooms, an expanded radioisotope laboratory and the most advanced roentgen equipment will provide our students with new learning experiences.

We look forward to seeing you personally and to keeping you posted on medical school progress as the academic year continues.



Dr. Robert Berson Addresses Opening Assembly of GW's School of Medicine



(From the address at the opening assembly of the GWU School of Medicine on September 13 by Dr. Robert C. Berson, Executive Director of the Association of American Medical Colleges.)

A great and ancient tradition of medicine has been the commitment to seek better understanding of disease and better ways to cope with it. Since at least as far back as the days of Hippocrates, more than 2500

years ago, wise and thoughtful men have made and recorded careful observations and tried to develop theoretical structures into which the observed facts would fit. This spirit of inquiry burned brightly during the great days of the Academy of Athens and the Museum of Alexandria; and although it went into eclipse in the Western World about 1500 years ago, it continued to be nourished by the great Arabic scholars. When men began to apply the methods of modern science to medicine, the number of facts that could be fitted into logically constructed theories began to increase at an accelerating rate. Price and others have demonstrated that the total amount of knowledge in medical science has been doubling about every 15 years for quite a long time.

The objective of medical education from the standpoint of the student can, I think, be brought into focus by considering the "powers" a physician who would serve his community well and be able to keep abreast of advancing knowledge must have.

The first of these is the power to learn for himself. Obviously, the student who tries to develop this power is far more likely to succeed than the one who coasts along on the unconscious assumption that there always will be someone in the role of teacher to point the way and use some means of prodding him along toward it.

The second power, related to the first, is the power to reason and think critically. This amounts to observing accurately and fitting the observation into a theoretical structure which explains it and knowing that when the observation does not fit into the theory, it may be because the observation is inaccurate or because the theory is incomplete and imperfect. An essential part of this method of thought is the ability to develop or to accept new theoretical structures when they have been tested and found to more adequately explain all of the relevant observations.

The third of these powers is that of obtaining information from patients. In the observation of any fact, the presence of the observer must be taken into account and allowances must be made for how much that presence has altered the phenomenon. For any patient, the presence of a physician is tremendously important. The ability to allow for the distortions produced by your own presence and many of your acts and words is essential to competence in the clinical method.

The fourth power is that of working effectively with other intelligent and dedicated people who are trained to do some of the things patients need. The time has long passed when the doctor worked alone in trying to meet the needs of patients.

The fifth power is the understanding of one's responsibility as a professional person. The responsibilities of every professional person can, I think, be understood more clearly by starting with the realization that practicing a profession is a privilege and not a right. That privilege is granted by society to certain individuals who have demonstrated that they have the integrity, the knowledge and skill required, and that the privilege may be withdrawn if it is used in a manner which society determines is not in its best interests. Medicine and certain other professions are so important to society that for many decades far better education has been provided than students could pay for in the form of tuition. A clear understanding of this responsibility to society can be obtained through serious thought, discussion and reading and will greatly help each of you as physicians to serve your patients and your community.

A sixth power, perhaps more important than any of the others, is that of conducting himself for the best interest of his patients in full appreciation of the tremendous importance of the physician as a therapeutic agent.

Most of us begin the study of medicine because we feel the ancient urge to be helpful to our fellow men when they are sick or injured as well as because of our thirst for knowledge of medical science. The habits and attitudes a physician develops will have the most profound effect in determining how useful to his patients the most important and consistently useful therapeutic agent in his armamentarium will be the physician himself.

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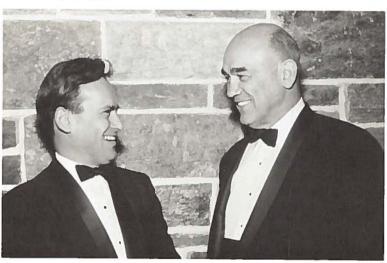
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Annual Medical Reunion



Dr. Thomas M. Peery conducts a scientific session.



Julius Cahn, featured speaker at the banquet. with Dean Parks.

Judged from every standpoint, the 1965 Annual Medical Alumni Reunion was a success (see photographic proof).

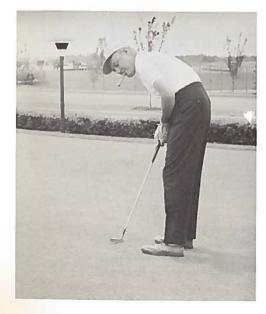
As the three day affair got down to official business, GW Medical Alumni Officers for 1965-66 were installed. They are: Richard

E. Palmer, '44, President; George Speck '41, President-Elect; Jerome Epstein '53. First Vice President; William Brainin '34, Second Vice President; James Dusbabek '34, Secretary; and Jack Kleh '44. Treasurer.

Highlights of the 1965 Reunion at the Washingtonian Country Club...



Dr. Charles Smith, center, chairman of the Awards committee, presents Achievement Awards to Seymour Alpert of the Med School faculty, and to alumnus Harry Dowling, right.



Palmer's famous putting. Arnie? no, Richard.

> Named to the Executive Committee were: Richard Huffman '55, Ernest Gould '39 and Frederick Donn '41.

> The annual banquet wound up the reunion, with presentation of awards highlighting the finale. Alumni Achievement Awards went to Harry Dowling '31, Professor of Medicine at the University of Illinois, for his contributions to the field of medicine, and to Seymour Alpert, Professor of Anesthesiology, for his contributions to the medical elements of The George Washington University.

> Dr. Margaret Nicholson, a pediatrician who has attended every alumni reunion



Banquet goodies attract the Saul Miller family.

Drs. Luis Sanchez, Puerto Rico; Daniel De Stio, Pittsburgh; Ralph Calendrella, Kitzmiller, Md., and Arthur Delgrego, New Haven, Conn.



Grand Finale



banquet since her graduation in 1925, was given an alumni chair. Another chair went to Professor Chester Leese of the Department of Physiology. Both recipients became professors emeriti at the close of the academic year.

Not to be overlooked were the golf tour-

nament winners who received trophies at the banquet: Andrew Dedrick '43, Joseph Chinn '40, Roy Hammond, '40, and Saul Miller '31.

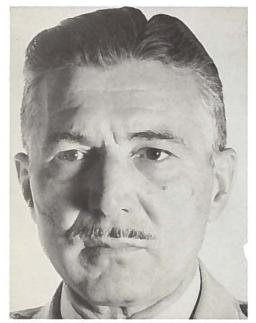
Julius Cahn, executive secretary to the Vice President of the United States, was the main speaker at the banquet.

...at the Medical School

Donald H. Glew '48 Associate Professor of Surgery

DONALD H. GLEW '48—Associate Professor of Surgery

Don Glew couldn't resist one more inspection of the portable hospital field unit he helped develop when it proved the hit attraction of a recent display of the Association of the United States Army in Washington. The facility, called MUST (medical



Aniello F. Mastellone '35 — Associate Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation



unit-self contained-transportable) weighs about three tons and can be set up ready for major surgery by six men in about 20 minutes. Don was a member of the U. S. Army Medical Corps Research and Development Command. At GW he will teach surgical research, research administration and general surgery.

ANIELLO F. MASTELLONE '35-Associate

Rehabilitation

professional competence."

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Professor of Physical Medicine and

Col. Mastellone received the Legion of Merit upon his retirement from active duty

with the Army Medical Corps in October.

He was Chief, Physical Medicine Service at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, and Tripler General in Hawaii—two of the Army's largest hospitals and was cited for "inspired leadership, sound judgment and

MRS. MARION M. CORDDRY—Associate Director of Public Relations for

Mrs. Corddry replaces Harvey Price in

medical public relations. She worked in public relations and alumni affairs at The American University where she also edited various publications. She will edit gw

medicine and handle press relations for GW

Hospital as well as the Medical School.



John L. Siddaway '46 was among the 91 guests and members greeting Dean and Mrs. John Parks at the Intermountain GW Medical Alumni meeting in Salt Lake City, October 2. The Dean addressed the dinner guests.

...and Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Beverly Oliphant, secretary of the Freshman Class, and President Richard Palmer at the Freshman Class reception.

OCTOBER in Salt Lake City...

Special guests included Dr. and Mrs. Marcus Burton, oral surgeon who formerly practiced in Washington; Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Romney—he interned at the newly opened GW Hospital; and parents of three currently-enrolled medical students.

Dr. Homer Ellsworth presented a \$440 check to Dean Parks as a contribution from the Intermountain Association whose president is Jack Jensen, secretary is Howard G. McQuarrie, and social chairman is William Barrett.





New Alumni Secretary with some of his constituents. Left to right: Dr. Beachley; Dr. Paul Calabrisi, Director of Admissions and Professor of Anatomy; Dr. George Speck, Past President of the Alumni Association, and his nephew Eugene Speck, President of the Freshman Class.

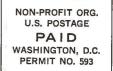


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