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CONGRESS PASSES DOCTOR DRAFT BILL

**All Physicians Under 51, Except Reserve Officers,
Must Register. Doctors Educated At Government
Expense To Be Called First. Inductees Will Serve
21 Months.**

Legislation creating a doctor draft for military service passed both houses of Congress early last month and was quickly signed into law by President Truman. The bill will permit certain male physicians, dentists, and allied specialists to be drafted into military service for a period of twenty-one months on a priority basis.

The legislation, a grant of authority to President Truman, will require all physicians and dentists who have not reached the age of 51, and who are not members of the reserve, to register with Selective Service. As this issue of *The Bulletin* went to press in late September, details of registration had not been announced. It was expected the registration would take place at "suitable points" within the next few weeks. Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society will receive complete details of registration by mail as they become available.

Any registrant acceptable to the military can be called for induction. The bill, however, creates certain priorities which must be observed in calling up doctors. Registrants will be called for service in the following order:

(1) Former ASTP and V-12 men who have not served on active duty and others deferred from service to continue their education during World War II and who have had less than 90 days of active duty.

(2) Members in the above groups who have had more than 90 days of active duty but less than 21 months.

(3) With no reference to the above groups, those who had no military service

subsequent to September 16, 1940; this will include postwar medical graduates as well as all other physicians under 51 who have not served.

(4) All others, including World War II non-reserve veterans. Men in this group will be called on the basis of extent of duty, those with the least service first, etc.

Following registration, each doctor will be placed in one of the four categories above. He may subsequently be called for his physical examination, after which he will be given 21 days to place his affairs in order before reporting for induction. He will then be offered a commission and assignment to duty. Theoretically, he will enter service with the rank of Private.

Reserve officers are not affected by the draft in any way and are not required to register. Any doctor may join the reserves either before or after registration, providing he is acceptable to the military. As he will then be under military orders, Selective Service will not process him further. As a reserve officer he will receive the \$100 extra monthly pay if called to service either voluntarily or involuntarily. Men who register under the draft may also receive the extra \$100 if they volunteer prior to their actual induction.

The Bill does permit the deferment of individual doctors, although such deferment is dependent upon previous military service, dependency status, and essentialness to the community. Actual

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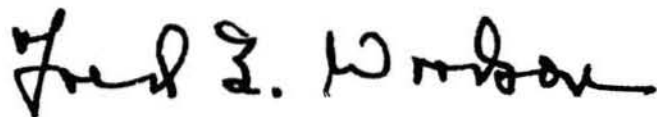
PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Within a few days the Tulsa Community Chest will open its annual drive for funds. As citizens of this community you will be asked to give as liberally as your means permit to this worthy cause. The Tulsa County Medical Society will again handle the drive among its members. You will be contacted by a special committee and asked to sign the pledge card. Please bear in mind that you may make your annual pledge in any manner you may select—in a lump sum now or at some future date, or by regular periodic payments (monthly, quarterly, or semi-annually) for which you will receive a formal statement. This will enable you to budget your contribution over a period of one year, if you prefer, and will not work any undue hardship upon you.

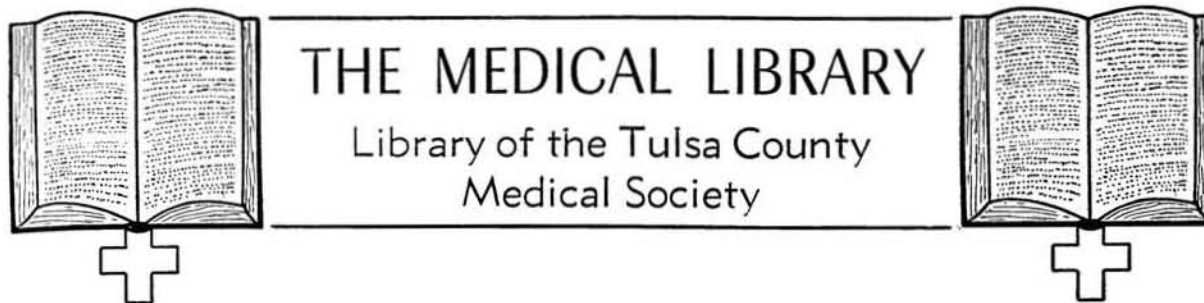
I am sure that none of us need to be told the purpose and work of the Tulsa Community Chest. The objectives of this fine organization are well known. By the time the pledge card reaches your desk you should have made a decision as to whether you are to give or not to give. The Community Chest is a community obligation which we cannot ignore. As doctors we well know the extent of privation and suffering in this community and it is up to us to set the example for our less informed neighbors. Give. Give enough. This is one appeal which must not go unheeded. Your gift is an act of Christian charity that will pay dividends in assistance to our poor and disabled and in peace of mind within our own souls.

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GIFTS OF THE MONTH—:

Dr. Berget H. Blockson. Miscellaneous issues of various journals.

Dr. Marshall O. Hart. Subscription to G.P., new publication of the Academy of General Practice, 1950-51.

Dr. Hays R. Yandell. Crohn, Burrell B., M.D., Regional Ileitis. Grune & Stratton, New York, N.Y., 1949, pp. 229, 74 figures, bibliography.

Dr. Allen C. Kramer. Second copies, Surgical Clinics of North America, 1947-50; Archives of Internal Medicine, v. 79-85, 1947-50; Journal of Clinical Endocrinology, v. 7-9, 1947-49; miscellaneous issues of the New England Journal of Medicine.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE TULSA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY—:

Dr. Paul E. Craig. The use of Sulfamylon-Streptomycin Mixtures in the Treatment of Local Infections. Abstract published in General Practice Clinics, 7:255 (July), 1950, from original article appearing in the Journal of the Oklahoma State Medical Association, 42:523-525 (December), 1950.

Proceedings of Staff Meeting of Hillcrest Memorial Hospital, 8:209-216 (August), 1950, is devoted to reports and summaries of the first anniversary of the new neuropsychiatric and neurosurgical unit. The members of the Tulsa County Medical Society participating were Dr. Arnold H. Ungerman, Dr. Tom R. Turner, Dr. John F. Gray, Jr., Dr. Averill Stowell, Dr. Milford S. Ungerman, and Dr. Joe E. Tyler.

Dr. James W. Kelley. Permanent Camouflage of Corneal Scars Using Insoluble Tattoo Pigments. Surgery, August, 1950, pp. 413-427.

Because of the success met by the first showings of surgical motion pictures in the Medical Library last month, this service will continue throughout the month of October. The time, each Wednesday afternoon, is 3:00 P.M. at 1203 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa. Showings are limited to members of the Society. The tentative schedule for October is as follows:

October 4th: **Intrahepatic cholangio-jejunostomy with partial hepatectomy for biliary obstruction.** Longmire-Sanford operation. By Drs. Kenneth C. Sawyer, Ray G. Waltham, Joseph T. Lucas, Jr. Running time, 22 minutes.

October 11th: **Esophageal diverticulum.** Two stage operation for removal of a large sac. Demonstration of complications. By Dr. Frank H. Lahey. Running time, 43 minutes.

October 18th: **Pericardial resection for removal of constrictive pericarditis.** By Dr. Richard H. Overholt and associates. Running time, 42 minutes.

October 25th: **Anterior resection of the rectum.** A freely movable tumor (adenocarcinoma grade 2) is removed together with a segment of the rectosigmoid well above and below the tumor. By Dr. Laurence S. Fallis. Running time, 26 minutes.



NEW ORLEANS PATHOLOGIST SPEAKS HERE OCTOBER 23

Dr. Charles E. Dunlap, Professor and Head of the Department of Pathology at Tulane University School of Medicine, New Orleans, will be the guest speaker for the Tulsa County Medical Society on Monday, October 23, 1950. His subject will be "The Diagnostic Value of Biopsies."

Two weeks earlier, on Monday, October 9, 1950, Dr. Andre B. Carney, Tulsa surgeon, will present a paper entitled "Ante-Colic Anastomosis in Subtotal Gastric Resection." Both meetings will be at The Mayo, beginning at 8:00 P.M.

Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society are to be dinner guests of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield Plans of Oklahoma on Monday, October 9th, immediately preceding Dr. Carney's address. A complimentary buffet dinner will be served in the offices of the company at 315 South Denver (the Akdar Theater



Dr. Carney

Building) at 6:00 P.M. Doctors will be invited to tour the extensive offices of Blue Cross-Blue Shield. The meeting will then adjourn to The Mayo, one block away, for the scientific presentation.

The usual buffet dinner will be served prior to the October 23rd meeting in the Terrace Room of The Mayo beginning at 6:30 P.M. The price will be \$4.00 and dinner reservations must be in by Noon of the day of the meeting.

Dr. Dunlap, guest speaker on the 23rd, is a graduate of Harvard University School of Medicine, Class of 1934. He interned and took postgraduate residencies in pathology at the University of Chicago Clinics and Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, Illinois. Later, he was awarded the Littauer Fellowship in Pathology at Harvard and subsequently was research associate and Assistant Professor of Pathology at Harvard University School of Medicine for several years. In 1942 he joined the faculty of Tulane University School of Medicine at New Orleans, Louisiana, and for the past several years has been Professor and Head of the Department of Pathology.

Dr. Dunlap is a diplomate of the American Board of Pathology, diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners, a founding fellow of the American College of Pathology, and member of numerous other medical organizations. He is senior visiting pathologist at Charity Hospital of New Orleans, Louisiana, and widely known for his original pathological research.

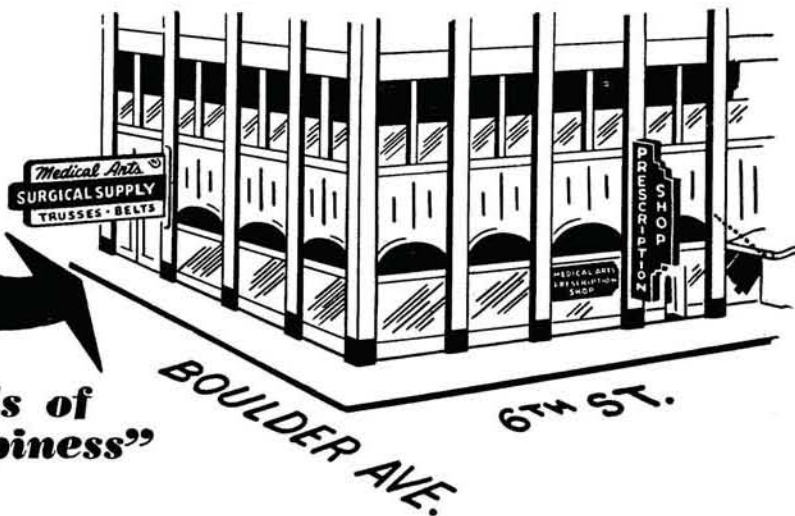
Dr. Andre B. Carney, speaker for the program of October 9th, is a graduate of New York University College of Medicine, Class of 1922. He served an internship and surgical residency in Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, New York City. Formerly in practice in Arkansas, he has practiced in Tulsa since 1930. Dr. Carney is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, diplomate of the International Board of Surgery, fellow of the International College of Surgeons, and member of the Southwestern Surgical Congress. He is active in staff affairs of Hillcrest Hospital, particularly interested in postgraduate medical teaching of interns and residents.

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PROPAGANDA FOUNDRY

Elsewhere in this issue of *The Bulletin* is an account of the appearance of Federal Security Administrator Oscar R. Ewing before a Congressional investigating committee. The facts brought forth in this hearing should be enough to warrant an immediate criminal action against Mr. Ewing and his associates in the FSA for the violation of Title 18, Section 201, of the United States Code, which prohibits the use of appropriated funds "to pay for personal service to influence members of Congress to favor or oppose legislation." It is unlikely that this will be done for Mr. Ewing and his avowed purpose of creating a federal system of medicine bears the unqualified endorsement of the White House. That thousands upon thousands of dollars of the taxpayers money are going to propagandize the nation in favor of compulsory health insurance is apparently regarded as a natural procedure of government. What irritates the medical profession to fury is the knowledge that its own tax dollars are going to help an effort to shackle the same profession in the bonds of state medicine. We are helping to purchase the rope that Mr. Ewing hopes to knot around our unwilling necks.

We are in complete sympathy with the suggestion of the *Chicago Tribune* that Mr. Ewing be impeached. His activi-

ties are conducted in much the same manner that the little corporal from Munich used in creating a depraved Germany. We suggest to the American Medical Association that thought be given to a full scale offensive against this gross violation of statutory law.

STORM WARNING

During the week of October 8th the American Medical Association will conduct an extensive advertising campaign pointing up the theme of "The Voluntary Way is the American Way." Some 11,000 newspapers are to be used, virtually all of the national popular magazines, and a variety of specialized publications. To augment this program the AMA has scheduled two weeks of spot announcements over several hundred American radio stations. The hoped-for result is that in excess of one hundred million Americans will see or hear a vital message which reflects the thinking of the medical profession and many other groups and individuals in this nation.

The experiment is a costly one—about \$1,350,000 of funds collected from members of the AMA in the form of annual dues—and the cost in experience may prove greater than the financial outlay. The plan has been the subject of wide criticism in many medical circles. The AMA drew sharp criticism at the annual meeting in San Francisco last June for having proceeded with the campaign with something less than the tacit approval of the House of Delegates. Here in Oklahoma a similar campaign conducted two years ago—and utilizing not one but several insertions—must be chalked up as a failure. Certainly, it was a failure in the eyes of our House of Delegates which expressly forbid the continuation of the program through a second year. Whether or not the AMA will experience the same fate with its advertising campaign remains to be seen.

Some of the criticism is based on the fact that only one insertion or advertisement is to be made in each publication. It is what is termed in the trade press as a "one-shot" campaign. The initial barrier to the success of the program will be

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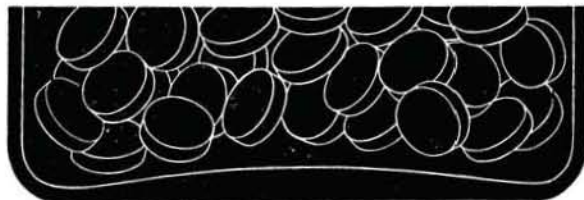
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MONDAY, October 2nd:

Hillcrest Hospital Staff Meeting.

TUESDAY, October 3rd:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, October 4th:

Surgical motion pictures, "Intrahepatic cholangio-jejunostomy with partial hepatectomy for biliary obstruction," 1203 Medical Arts Bldg., 3:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, October 5th:

Medical Broadcast, "This Is Your Doctor," Radio Station KTUL, 9:45 P.M.
Annual Doctors & Dentists Golf Tournament, Indian Hills Country Club, 12:00 Noon.

MONDAY, October 9th:

Tulsa County Medical Society meeting. Complimentary dinner, Blue Cross-Blue Shield Plans offices, 315 South Denver, 6:00 P.M. Scientific Program, 8:00 P.M., The Mayo. Program: "Ante-Colic Anastomosis in Subtotal Gastric Resection." Speaker, Dr. Andre B. Carney, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

TUESDAY, October 10th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, October 11th:

Surgical motion pictures, "Esophageal diverticulum," 1203 Medical Arts Bldg., 3:00 P.M.
Board of Trustees Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Bldg., 1:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, October 12th:

Medical Broadcast, "This Is Your Doctor," Radio Station KTUL, 9:45 P.M.

MONDAY, October 16th:

St. John's Hospital Staff Meeting.

TUESDAY, October 17th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.
Tulsa County Medical Assistants Society, Michaelis Cafeteria, 6:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, October 17th:

Copy deadline for the November issue of The Bulletin.
Surgical motion pictures, "Pericardial resection for removal of constrictive pericarditis," 1202 Medical Arts Bldg., 3:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, October 18th:

Medical Broadcast, "This Is Your Doctor," Radio Station KTUL, 9:45 P.M.

MONDAY, October 23rd:

Tulsa County Medical Society meeting. Buffet dinner, Terrace Room, The Mayo, 6:30 P.M. Scientific program, Ivory Room, The Mayo, 8:00 P.M. Program: "The Diagnostic Value of Biopsies." Speaker: Dr. Charles E. Dunlap, New Orleans, Louisiana.

TUESDAY, October 24th:

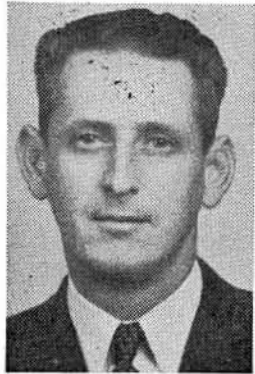
St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, October 25th:

Surgical motion pictures, "Anterior resection of the rectum," 1203 Medical Arts Bldg., 3:00 P.M.

MONDAY, October 30th:

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SENATE QUIZZES EWING ABOUT FSA LOBBYING

The Chicago Daily Tribune recently called for the impeachment of Oscar R. Ewing, Federal Security Administrator, after a Senate investigating committee brought forth the luxurious details of government lobbying (at taxpayer's expense) for a federal system of socialized medicine.

A reluctant witness to indignant Congressional investigators, Ewing admitted in hearings on July 28, 1950, that the Federal Security Administration employed 65 full time publicity men to push Truman's socialized medical care program. Other admissions by the silvery-haired bureaucrat included:

1. Details of a government financed junket to Europe during which Ewing examined health facilities in major European cities. The result of this 50-day trip for Ewing, Mrs. Ewing and five government employees was a barrage of publicity pointing up the alleged superiority of the British national health system.

2. Formation of a private corporation by Agency employees to finance a \$45,000 "National Health Assembly" in Washington (to which representatives of the AMA were admitted under protest), whose membership was "stacked" with pro-socialists. A report of the Assembly was published later at a cost of \$20,000 to the Federal Government.

3. A government financed series of 33 speaking engagements over the United States, most again pointing up the alleged desirability of federal medicine. Ewing admitted his speeches were written by 65 full-time publicity men on the Federal Security Administration payroll.

4. Pressuring by Agency employees to secure the \$45,000 from private sources necessary to finance the National Health Assembly. A luncheon given at government expense to prospective contributors was served by government employees acting as waiters.

Ewing denied he might have violated the criminal statute which forbids use of federal funds to bring influence to bear upon the passage or defeat of legislation. The Chicago Tribune in its editorial columns of August 3, 1950, asserted

Ewing was guilty of such violations and called for criminal prosecution of the FSA Administrator and his associates.



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SCIENTIFIC PAPERS FOR ANNUAL MEETING SOUGHT

Members of the Oklahoma State Medical Association have been invited to submit papers for presentation on the program of the 1951 annual meeting of the Association in Tulsa next May 21-23. In a letter circulated to all Oklahoma doctors last month, Dr. John G. Matt, Chairman of the Scientific Works Committee, asked for a synopsis of papers not later than November 1, 1950.

At the same time, doctors were invited to apply for space for scientific exhibits at the meeting. Those accepted will receive space without charge although each exhibitor must pay for the cost of the exhibit itself, transportation, and necessary assembling and dismounting.

Dr. Matt pointed out that it might not be possible to use all papers submitted in the interests of a well rounded program. Those accepted will be notified and a definite date and time will be assigned later.

Members of the Association wishing to volunteer papers should address their synopsis to Dr. John G. Matt, 1001 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa.

ANNUAL MEETING OF O C CLINICAL SOCIETY SET

Many Tulsa doctors are expected to attend the 20th Annual Fall Clinical Conference of the Oklahoma City Clinical Society, to be held October 30 through November 2 at the Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City.

Dr. Elmer Henderson of Louisville, Kentucky, President of the American Medical Association, will be one of seventeen guest lecturers in all phases of medicine. The program will include, in addition to scientific assemblies, the commercial exhibits, a clinical pathological conference, round table luncheons, smoker, dinner meetings, and postgraduate study courses.

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However successful the campaign may be—or by contrast, unsuccessful—it is going to be an interesting experiment. We may regret it. We hope not. The campaign appears to be well planned in its physical aspects, and there are still a body of intelligent people in this country who will understand and appreciate what we are trying to do. Our advice would be to study carefully the results of this campaign in all its many facets; by this experience we can be guided in the future to the most wise and beneficial use of our limited resources.

AMA MID-WINTER SESSION

A program designed primarily for the general practitioner will be featured at the Fourth Clinical Session of the American Medical Association in Cleveland, Ohio, December 5-8. Scientific sessions and commercial and scientific exhibits will be presented in the Cleveland Municipal Auditorium while the House of Delegates will meet at the Statler Hotel. Tulsa doctors planning now should write for reservations.

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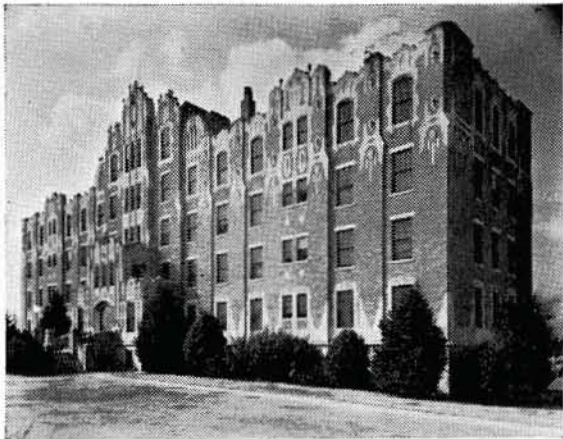
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deferment is made by the local Selective Service boards. A National Advisory Committee, expressly created by the act, will coordinate the work of Selective Service and state and local volunteer advisory medical committees in respect to the selection of medical personnel. It is not known whether the committees already set up over the State by the Oklahoma State Medical Association will function in this respect, or what the extent of their authority or influence will be. The law does not control local committees.

Men inducted will serve 21 months. This can be extended by Congress as conditions warrant.

It is not known how many doctors will be called to service under the provisions of the draft act. The military hopes that enough doctors will join the reserves voluntarily to meet the immediate needs. The \$100 bonus will doubtless attract some doctors to the reserves.

The law is to grant deferments to pre-medical and pre-dental students in numbers equal to the present enrollment. Medical officers secured via the draft may be transferred with consent from one branch of the service to another. The bill will expire with the present Selective Service Act next July unless extended by Congress.

The new bill does not in any way preclude the calling of medical reserve officers to active duty at any time. It is still problematical whether or not the military will call present reserve officers who have lengthy World War II military records. This may be done routinely, or as a matter of expediency, or such officers may not be called at all until the four categories of the draft are exhausted. This leaves reserve officers in their present indefinite situations.

However, an announcement by the Department of Defense on September 12th said that all calls of reserve officers would be reviewed by the Department on the basis of the new priority system. This is indicative that the military will not call experienced reserve officers, unless dictated by the necessity for expediency to meet current crisis needs.

In Oklahoma, it was announced by the Oklahoma Physicians Veterans Association that it would continue to oppose the calling of any World War II medical veterans until physicians who did not serve or who were educated at government expense were first called. This view was affirmed by the Tulsa Chapter of the Association, which held an organizational meeting on September 6, 1950, at St. John's Hospital. Officers elected by the new group included Dr. W. Carl Lindstrom, Chairman; Dr. Jack O. Akins, Vice-Chairman; and Dr. Felix R. Park, Secretary-Treasurer.

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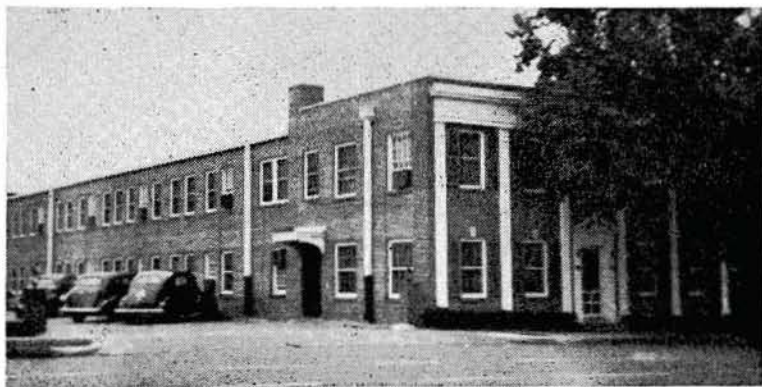
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