

Medical Education in Toledo: Past and Future

Students and Faculty of Former Medical College Honored

On April 23 the Toledo Medical Library Association of the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County at its annual meeting honored former students and faculty of the Toledo Medical College (1882-1914) and their wives and widows. Dr. Paul Hohly, former instructor in Anatomy, was the guest of honor.

The program consisted of a horse and buggy parade, followed by a "Spring Tonic" hour and banquet. Following this, Dr. Walter Hartung, Jr., the program chairman, showed pictures of the college, its students and faculty, the baseball team, and glee club with comments by Dr. Hohly. In addition to this, several pictures of hair styles, dress, beach-wear, and advertisements and topics from a

local medical journal published in 1874 were shown.

Many interesting stories were revealed in the review of local medical history of this era. Among the prominent Toledo physicians were Dr. E. I. McKesson (gas anesthesia apparatus) and Dr. Thomas DeVilbiss (the nebulizer).

Each person attending the program (130 in all) was given an "asafetida bag" (actually an aromatic sachet hidden in a small muslin bag) to be worn about the neck in order to "ward off colds, flu, and undesirable people." These bags were prepared by the ladies of the St. Charles Hospital Senior Guild.

At the meeting Dr. John Brunner, president of the Toledo Medical Library Association, introduced the guests. Dr. Maurice Schnitker, director, and Mrs. V. Lorene Dilgert, the librarian, reported on the expanding service and activity of the medical library. — Walter H. Hasting, Jr., M. D., Secretary.



Students and faculty members of the former Toledo Medical College were honored at the Toledo celebration. From left are Drs. Hoyt B. Meader, Paul P. Gintzel, G. Paul Hohly, Claude E. Price, and Earl A. Orwig.

Toledo Medical College Years Recalled



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A horse and buggy parade was one of the features staged by the Toledo Medical Library Association of the Academy, reminiscent of the former Toledo Medical College era.

EDITORIAL

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The Academy Library Annual Meeting featuring the old Toledo Medical College was a great success. The large crowd attending was well pleased by the thoroughness with which Doctor Walter Hartung had planned the evening. But one aspect of the evening worth more comment here is the heartwarming presence of the surviving graduates and faculty of that school. Their memories, pictures and accomplishments impressed us all. The contributions of the old medical school to Toledo's present high attainment in health were reviewed in word and pictures. The emergence of the new Medical College of Ohio at Toledo and its history was likewise reviewed.

The generation gap between the old and the new schools is formidable. All the community takes pride in the M.C.O.T. and demonstrations of interest are numerous. You will remember the financial contribution of the Academy of Medicine several

years ago. Do you know about the contribution of the Old Medical College?

When the school closed, remaining assets were \$9,111.93. This fund was much used to help science related projects at Toledo University. Many technical books and scientific instruments for the biology, chemistry, and physics laboratories were purchased through the years. By careful stewardship the fund grew. Newer, younger members were added to the trustees to ensure its perpetuity. It was always hoped the whole fund could someday be turned over to a new medical school. It was a long wait, with many disappointments but the trustees on January 14, 1969 effectively put themselves out of business by turning over the endowment fund of the old Toledo Medical College to the Toledo Area Medical College and Education Foundation to be used as stipulated. The \$9,111.93 of 1918 had grown to \$51,704! It was a gift the Board of Trustees was proud and happy to give to promote and further medical education.

The stipulation regarding the use of the fund are