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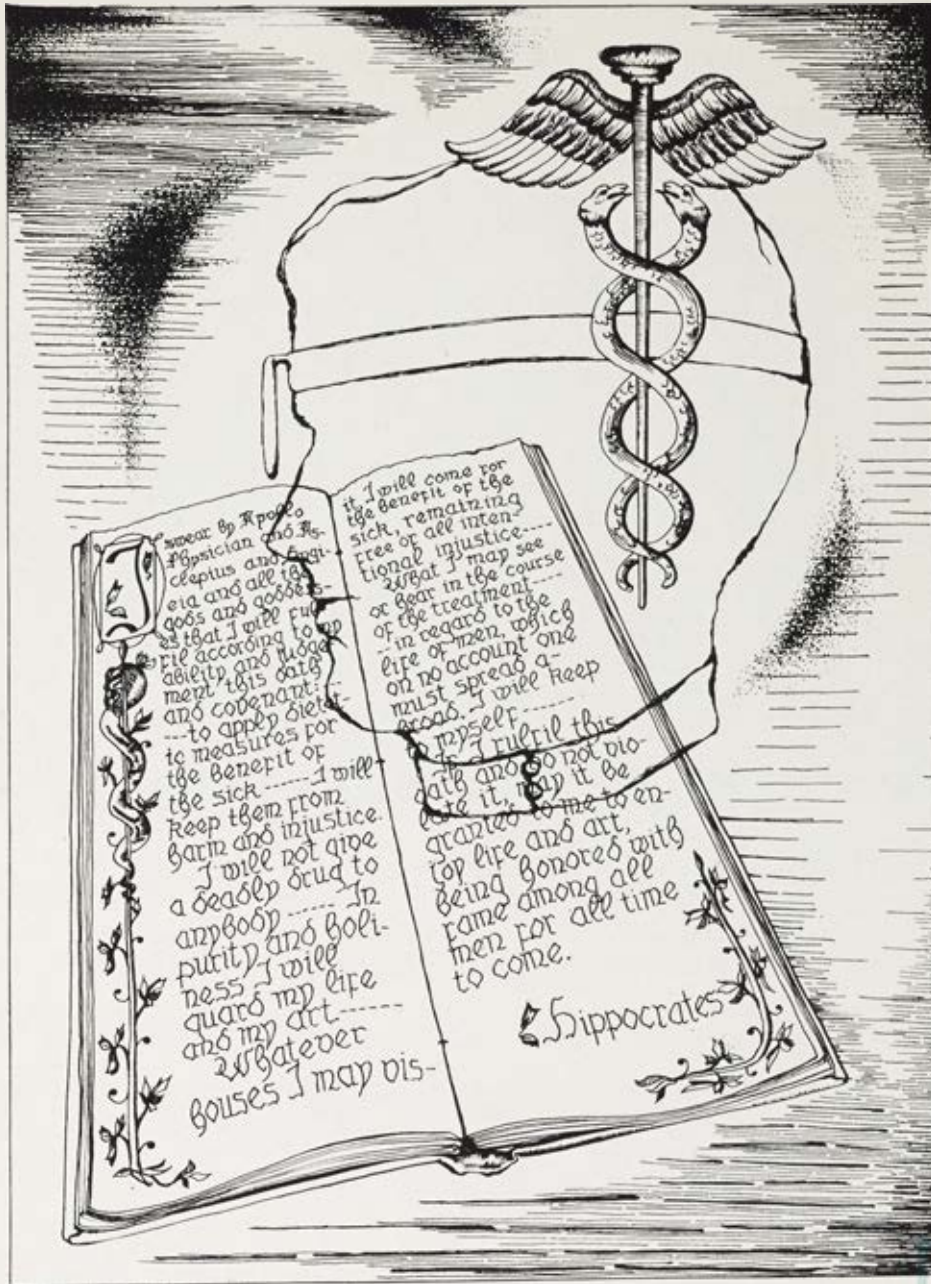
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Class of 1952

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To our good friend, Dr. William E. Brown, who this year retires as Dean of the College of Medicine, we make this

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Vedication



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1952

The year 1952 is important for your class and for me. For you it marks the completion of your work in the College of Medicine. For me it marks the termination of my deanship and my very pleasant association with you and the other medical students.

For four years we have been intimately associated with each other. They have been interesting and profitable years for me. I have come to know you personally. I have watched your growth and development and I have seen you succeed in reaching the goal you have set for yourselves. However, your graduation and my retirement do not mean a cessation of my interest in you and your future progress. All of us who have been your teachers will have a continued interest in your further accomplishments. Remember that the College of Medicine takes great pride in its graduates.

No farewell to your class is complete without a tribute to the wives. As faculty members we appreciate their contribution to your success, their competence as wives and mothers and the pleasant atmosphere which they have created during your years in medical school. This entitles them to recognition as an integral part of your class. We feel that they rightly belong to the College of Medicine family.

In your future lives as physicians, do not forget the medical school which has given you your basic training. As we will continue to follow your progress in medicine, so we hope you will maintain your interest in the development of the College of Medicine.

As the time for your separation approaches, I want to express to you the appreciation of all of us for the cooperation and loyalty shown by you during your years as medical students. I want to extend to each one of you personally my best wishes for success and satisfaction in the work which you may undertake. I know it will be well done.

W. E. BROWN, M.D.
Dean

February 8, 1952

ATTENDING STAFF

I AM NOT A TEACHER; ONLY A FELLOW TRAVELER
OF WHOM YOU HAVE ASKED THE WAY. I POINTED
AHEAD - AHEAD OF MYSELF AS WELL AS YOU.

SHAW



Fourth Row - *LeFevre, Wilson, Robertson, Russell, Haines, Donaghy, Cohen, Flower, Woodruff, Bardavil.*

Third Row - *Saunders, Maeck, McSweeney, Terrien, Wallman, Keller, Smith, Stephenson.*

Second Row - *Bannister, Powell, McMahon, Van Buskirk, Morrow, Reed, Lamden, Schein, Gladstone, Medivetsky,
Miller, McKay, Korson, Peterson, Okey, Slavin, Sims.*

First Row - *Truax, Cunningham, Dreyer, Novikoff, Dunihue, Pearson, Newhall, Jordan, Sichel, Brown,
Harwood, Rees, Pierce, Gallagher, Raab, Amidon, Stultz, Soule.*

Fifty-seven other members of the staff were unable to be present at the time this picture was taken.



CASE HISTORY

The history of the Class of '52 started on a skeptical note as 40 eyebrows were raised on that 1st day in Hall A, when the words of one William Eustis Brown, M.D., contained such adjectival phrases as, "the pick of the crop," "flower of youth," and "bright, intelligent, young representatives of American Manhood." Had we then been as adept as we are now in the analysis of statistics, we would not have been as skeptical. After all, there were over 2000 applications, of which 200 were considered, and only 40 finally accepted. This placed us in the 98th percentile, a privileged group in any society.

Skepticism, however, rapidly turned to eagerness as the work of the first year loomed before us.

Anatomy started with a poem by Dr. T. S. Brown. .."There is no frigate like a book to take us lands away..." Forty notebooks received the thing, and to a man, it was memorized. (Might be on the first exam you know.) But our eagerness faltered when we first saw those still, stiff cadavers, and we lost the only girl in the class on the spot.

Undoubtedly, others would have fallen by the wayside at this point if jovial, "Greater Trochanter" Newhall had not eased us over some of our more trying moments with a unique marking system. He was rewarded with a handsomely mounted proximal third of a femur at Christmas.

In Biochemistry, 2 rabbits died of asphyxiation under Dr. Schein's supervision, gastric tubes pinned to lapels startled several visitors, 24 hour urine samples made suspicious bulges under coats, and the skinniest guys drew starvation diets.

Strong minds were found to be contained within strong bodies at the inter-class softball and football games. This was a banner year for the Freshman A.C. as both the softball and football teams emerged as the champions of the Medical School Athletic League.

Meanwhile, the Medical Wives, between meetings at the Nu Sig House, busied themselves turning frayed collars, disguising hamburger, and giving birth to potential medical students.

Pathology added color to the second year. Faces turned alternately pale, green and red, while the hair turned steadily grey. Physiology reared its monstrous head, replete with pink eyes, hearing aid, and a long cigarette holder. Unfortunates sat skinned in the deep freeze to prove something or other about changes in the body temperature. Bow Tie Day ended on a sour note when Dr. "J.C." Amidon suspiciously neglected to wear his.

It was a year with nary a suggestion of anything clinical to let us know we were still in medicine, and a year of yellow invitations to a chat with the Dean.

The Junior Year! . . . Courses, books and offspring increased by leaps and bounds. A new influence crept into the local hospitals as weary patients were quizzed and worked up for the 20th time.

Personal characteristics were emerging. Suddenly there were many clinicians in the class, quoting happily and at random, statistics as fantastic as the students themselves.

A Preventative Medicine field trip to the Barre Quarries highlighted the fall season... "preventative" because the free beer was served AFTER the tour to the brink of the quarry. Although Dr. Aiken could not accompany our happy group, he was sent a postcard picturing the depths of the quarry with the message, "Having a wonderful time. Wish you could drop in."

Spring saw friend turn against friend as senior vacation months were argued. The Dean's office solved this dilemma with the announcement of no vacations at all. So friend again toasted friend on the icy terrace of the Country Club, for the Osler Banquet was with us once more.

The fourth year saw the class break up and leave town as the students went out on services with the admonition: "Take ye and hold that which is good." Waterbury, G.P., St. Jay, Springfield, Bennington, Fanny Allen, many were the tales of valor the boys brought back, painting vivid pictures of their own worth. Surgery, Medicine, Pediatrics, and OB at the Fletcher.

The new internship plan was born amid some misgivings, but Dean Brown was right, . . . most of us did get our first choice without the madhouse of telegrams. After the traditional rounds of parties, we at long last attained that prized diploma, complete with the embossed, "University of Vermont and STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE."

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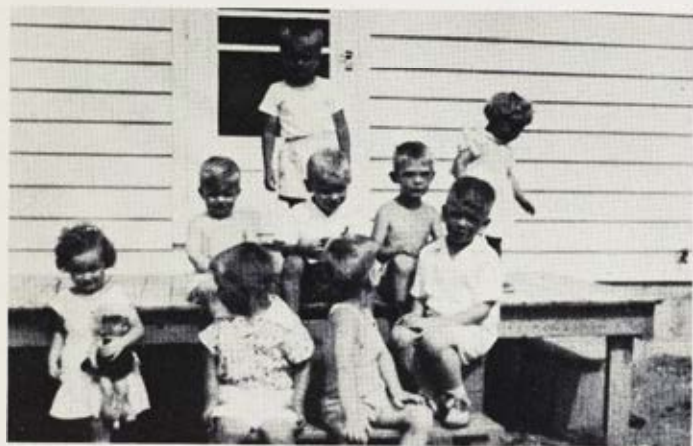


While the fellows were getting acquainted over their cadavers, the girls were getting together at the Med. Wives Club. The Club, organized the year before we arrived, certainly was a lifesaver to those of us who were from out of town.

The boys may have been studying obstetrics and pediatrics, but we had plenty of firsthand knowledge about prenatal care, postnatal care and infant feeding. (At this writing, the class has a grand total of 22 children.)

We played bridge and knit sox, listened to speakers and really kept busy. Had a couple of children's parties with no serious damage (to the children, that is). Invited our husbands to a banquet each year (of course, they paid for the tickets) and really decided we had a congenial group. We said a reluctant goodbye to the Lowenfels at a picnic at the Sand Bar, sophomore year, and they said goodbye to us at a cocktail party before Osler Banquet. We had a wonderful time at each but our memories of the picnic are clearer.

Many have been the times we've wondered where our next meal was coming from or whether or not we could pay the rent, but it's all been fun and we wouldn't have missed these four years for anything in the world.





Osler Skits

SOCIAL HISTORY

The Osler Clinical Society, organized in 1929, is composed of all undergraduate students in the College of Medicine. The Society sponsors a series of lectures given by outstanding men in the field of medicine. It is governed by a board of executive officers elected annually by the members. A social feature of the Society is the Osler Banquet which is given at the end of each year. At this time skits are presented by the members of the three lower classes.

Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity was founded in 1908 at the Cornell College of Medicine. Beta Lambda Chapter received its charter at the University of Vermont in 1935 with Dr. Arthur Gladstone, Associate Professor of Clinical Surgery, as one of its founding members. Through the years, Beta Lambda Chapter has contributed much to the social and academic picture at the College of Medicine. Such fine speakers as Dr. Isadore Snapper, Dr. Henry C. Faulk, Dr. Charles K. Friedberg and Dr. William Dameshek have lectured to students and members of the medical profession under our sponsorship. At present a drive is being conducted by the fraternity to equip a conference room in the newly constructed wing of the Mary Fletcher in memory of Captain Nathan Masin '49, an active member of Beta Lambda Chapter, who was killed in Korea.

The Surgeons of the Long and Short Robes (U.V.M. Medical Historical Society), named after the "educated" surgeons and the barber surgeons of olden times, is a most select group - anyone who attends a meeting is automatically a member. Founded in 1948 and affiliated with the National Society, this group has expanded to include most of the present senior class and many of the lower classmen. Since its inauguration, topics such as the "History of the Enema" -- a most stimulating dissertation, the "History of Hypnosis," "Grave Robbing in Vermont," and a rather intimate peek into "The Diary of Erasmus Root," have been featured. The Surgeons have been as noted for their consumption of malt beverages and terpsichorean endeavor as for their perusal of medical history. May they always be long on entertainment and short on formality.



Phi Chi Medical, now in its 63rd year at the College of Medicine and Alpha Chapter of a fraternity now international in scope, numbers in its membership about a quarter of the present graduating class. Alone, and in cooperation with the two other medical fraternities, Alpha of Phi Chi has strived to add to the social life here at U.V.M., while encouraging good scholarship among members. Our yearly calendar includes monthly social and business meetings, dances, picnics, informal discussions on current topics by notable men of medicine, and is highlighted by the annual award of the Eben J. Carey Memorial Prize to the freshman brother who does the most outstanding work in gross anatomy.



The past four years have brought little change in the fraternity. The house at 49 N. Prospect Street still has the dismal, foreboding appearance of a medieval castle. Ravished by the ASTP during World War II and multitudes of Saturday night parties since that time, the house looks no better regardless of the number of times it is painted or the rubbish removed. The membership has grown during the last four years to nearly twice the normal size, as has the enrollment in the medical school. Now with the enlarged membership the house is inhabited only by members. The streets of Burlington do not have to be scoured for roomers. It has even become the meeting place for the Medical Students Wives Club. Each year in conjunction with the national organization, a man of medical renown is brought to Burlington to speak with, we hope, definite advantage to all in the College of Medicine.



MEDICAL STUDENT'S LOVE AFFAIR

Alas, a pair of sparkling eyes
 May mean her thyroid's oversize.
 Too oft her slow and stately gait
 But signifies she's overweight,
 Her errant blush, howe'er it please,
 Means cardiovascular disease.
 Her bright, sophisticated poses
 Express, too bad, a mild neurosis.
 Yet I'll be happy when she will
 Let me pay her doctor bill.



REMARKS *from the* CONSULTING STAFF

MAY WE QUOTE YOU, DOCTOR?

Dr. Amidon - "You've got to either fish or cut bait!"

Dr. Bland - "Now these are not all separate diseases but represent a fundamental disease of connective tissue. The so-called 'Group Disease.'"

Dr. Dunihue - "To summarize the semester's work in five minutes ..."

Dr. Flagg - "Thereby hangs a tale. Let's remember the Flagg Sign."

Dr. French - "Well now, let's see if this patient's protein intake has been adequate."

Dr. Dreyer - "A guinea pig's eyelium is a portion of his intestine - of course!"

Dr. Jordan - "Gosh, I'm glad you brought that up. Let us correlate."

Dr. Lamden - "Never underestimate the power of a vitamin."

Dr. Lefevre - "The nervous essentials of reproduction are all in the spinal cord - it's the fancy stuff that is in the cerebral cortex."

Dr. Newhall - "Leading ol' Joe down the inguinal canal is the Gubernaculum, which in the ancient tongue, don'tcha know, means 'a pilot' . . . hiccc"

Dr. Pierce - "Then, there's glutathione . . ."

Dr. Schein - ".....in and out of the amino acid pool . . ."

Dr. Stultz - "Haw, haw, haw! Say - that's a good one!"

Dr. Sichel - "The clo unit must have been invented at a cocktail party. One clo = one met."

Dr. Pearson - "And in conclusion of our discussion of endocrine pathology we now know there are a great many things we don't know anything about."

Dr. Stark - "Anyone can get a high grade in clinical path."

Dr. Woll - "Your grade of sixteen makes you humble, doesn't it?"

Dr. Woodruff - "The clinical and pathological physiology of tuberculosis proved immiscible."

Dr. Schumacher - "Green stands for proprioceptive, red for exteroceptive, violet for temperature and pain, black for mourning." (Results: plaid)

Dr. Kundert - "There are no gorillas in Vermont."

Dr. Cameron - "It has always been a source of deep personal regret that malaria and not Scotsmen drove the Romans out of Britain."

Dr. Gallagher - "When I was a boy in Cleveland . . ."

Dr. Daly - "Pediculosis is a protean disease."

Dr. Truax - (After a question to a student) "Speak up, so the class can hear you!"



PROGNOSIS



"HEADLINES OF 1972"

- Physician Favors Childbirth* - In an exclusive interview, Dr. Nathan Glover, M.S., B.S., Ph.D., M.D., discoverer of a new technique on passing stomach tubes, revealed that he was definitely in favor of childbirth. Dr. Glover was quoted, "I have thought the matter over carefully, and I have definitely come to the conclusion that childbirth is unequivocally here to stay. You can quote me."
- Octogenarian Refuses to Retire* - "Old Doc" Paul Corley, Grand Old Man of Vermont Medicine, celebrated his birthday yesterday by revealing his true age as "83 more or less." He also stated that Retirement was definitely not part of his plans for the immediate future. "I have at least another 3 good years to go before my brain gives out."
- M.D. Captures Safety Award* - The Automobile Association of America today revealed that Dr. Avron Maser, M.D. of Washington, D.C., was the recipient of their annual Safe Driver Award. Dr. Maser stated, "It pays to drive carefully."
- Physician Fined in Court* - Dr. Cedric L. Mather was fined in traffic court yesterday for using "vile and obscene language" before the magistrate. Dr. Mather stated, "Vile, Shmile.... They ain't heard nuthin' yet!"
- Physician Passes Examination* - A new record in perseverance came to a halt last week, when Dr. Theodore Goldberg received a passing grade in the New Mexico Medical Licensure Board examination. Dr. Goldberg, who had failed to pass the examinations of 47 other states in the past 20 years, stated at the end of the examination, "It was easy."
- An Interview with One of the Ten Best-Dressed Men* - Dr. Stanley Schilling, who was wearing a midnight blue, single-breasted tuxedo, with purple bow tie and matching cummerbund and suede sneakers beneath his form fitting laboratory coat, stated that the secret of his success was "dressing as the occasion demanded. Above all, never over-dress."
- M.D. Wins Honorary Degree* - A degree of Doctor of Fine Letters, *Honoris Causa*, was bestowed upon that noted after-dinner speaker, Dr. Harry Howe, at the University of Vermont's Commencement Exercises yesterday. Dr. Howe was particularly cited as a stirring example for the Debating and Oratory Societies at the University.
- Will Record of L.M.D. Stand?* - Dr. Irwin Becker has just dislocated his right shoulder for the 30th time. This is expected to interfere with the maintenance of his previous record of 14,000 unassisted gastrectomies each year for the last twenty-one years.
- Personal Note* - Dr. Luke Howe is recovering in a local hospital from an episode of acute hysteria incurred when he lost his way in a fog and unknowingly crossed the state border into New Hampshire.
- 99 44/100% Birth Control* - Ortho Laboratories of N.J. today revealed a new practically foolproof method of birth control perfected by Dr. Marvin Cousins of the laboratories. Dr. Cousins had been considerably bothered by the 2% margin of previous methods.
- Mass Hypnosis* - A most thrilling example of mass hypnosis was demonstrated last night during Dr. Robert M. True's lecture at the Fleming Museum. Every member of the audience was put to sleep and was not awakened until the conclusion of the lecture.
- Advertisement* - NOW . . . BETTER THAN EVER . . . Nussbaum's revision of Friedberg's "Diseases of the Heart." This classic work has been thoroughly and painstakingly revised and brought up to date by that noted cardiologist, Dr. Murray Nussbaum. Emphasis has been placed on the Physiologic Biochemical Aspect of disease. Noted Medical Book Critic, Dr. Henry C. Baltrucki had this to say of it: "Almost as good as the British texts."

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