

Medical College News

Dr. Davis Named Chairman of Surgery Department; Replaces Dr. Keegan

Announcement has been made of the appointment of Dr. Herbert H. Davis as chairman of the department of surgery. He succeeds Dr. J. J. Keegan who will remain associated with the College of Medicine as professor of neurological surgery.

Dr. Herbert H. Davis' connection with the University is one of long standing. His father, the late Byron B. Davis, served as a regent of the University from 1888 until 1894 and as professor of clinical surgery from 1902 until 1929. He also served as chairman of the department of surgery from 1929 until his death in 1933.

Davis Attends Central

Dr. Davis graduated from Central high school in Omaha and received his B.A. degree from Cornell and his M.D. from Johns Hopkins University. He did post-graduate study in surgery in the United States and spent one year in European clinics, especially Vienna. He practiced with his father for twelve years. His association with the university College of Medicine began in 1920 as an intern at the University hospital, and he has been an active teacher in the department of surgery since 1921. He is married and has three children, Herbert H., jr., at present in business in Omaha, John B., a sophomore at the College of Medicine and Emma Louise at Vassar.

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DR. HERBERT H. DAVIS, new chairman of the department of surgery, succeeding Dr. J. J. Keegan.

elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Omega Alpha and other honorary societies. He is a member of the American College of Surgeons, American Association of Surgeons, American Association of Railway Surgeons, Nebraska State Medical association, American Medical association, Omaha-Midwest Clinical society and the Omaha-Douglas County Medical society. He was one of the founders of the American Board of Surgery.

Holds Hospital Staff Memberships

He is a senior member of the Children's Memorial, Bishop Clarkson, Immanuel Deaconess, Nebraska Methodist and University hospital staffs. For a number of years he has served as a surgeon for the Omaha-Council

Bluffs Street Railway system and the Burlington Route.

Dr. Keegan is resigning as chairman so that he may devote more time to private practice and to publication work on his studies of nerve root syndromes. He was dean of the College of Medicine from 1925 to 1929. These years were busy ones for him. The Bulletin lists him as dean, director of clinics, in charge of neuro-surgery, professor of clinical pathology and instructor in surgery.

Keegan Attends K.U., N.U.

Graduating from high school in Axtell, Kansas, he attended the University of Kansas for one year, transferring to the University of Nebraska where he received his A.B., B.Sc., M.A., and in 1915, his M.D. degree. He joined the faculty of the University in 1914 as a fellow in anatomy and spent two years after graduation in medicine as instructor of anatomy. He completed his internship and residency training at ePter Bent Brigham hospital in Boston, Mass.

While in college, Dr. Keegan was elected to membership in Sigma Xi and Alpha Omega Alpha. He is a member of the Society of Neurological Surgeons, the Western Surgical association, the Harvey Cushing society, the Central Neuropsychiatric society, the Nebraska State Medical association, the American Medical association and the Omaha-Douglas County Medical society (president 1936-37), was a charter member of the Omaha Mid-West Clinical society (president 1945) and is certified by the American Board of Neurosurgery.

Keegan Instigates Meeting

Through his efforts and upon his invitation, the Society of Neurological Surgeons held their 39th annual meeting at the university College of Medicine in June of

'18 Alums Plan First Reunion

Tonight's the night for 14 of 24 surviving members of the University Medical College class of 1918 to get together at the Omaha Athletic club for their first alumni gathering since graduation 30 years ago. From Colorado, California, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska, they will convene to renew old friendships and talk over old times.

Reporter Finds Conversation Topics

What will they talk about? Your reporter gained some good clues by digging into the archives to find out just what the Medical school was like when these men were students.

As freshmen they walked into the north building, completed the year before and opened to a total enrollment of 84. Except for a wooden dormitory which housed the nurses, it was the sole building of the new campus. In preceding years, the Medical College had been located in Lincoln.

Class Sees First Hospital Unit

As juniors they saw the completion of the first unit of the University hospital, and as seniors they saw the foundations being laid for the south building. The nurses were still in their wooden dormitory where they were slated to remain until 1922. They were burned out in September of that year and installed in the new building the following year.

When they talk about the dean, they might be referring to Dr. Irving S. Cutter, dean of the Medical College from 1913 to 1925. Much of the growth of the present campus is credited to his energy and foresight.

1948. This society is the senior neurological society organized by Dr. Harvey Cushing in 1922. Dr. Keegan is the only Nebraska member and served as president in 1942.

Health Office Hours Given

Hours for the Student Health Service, located on the second floor of the South building, are given as a convenience to those who are not familiar with the arrangement. The Health Service is open from 8 to 12 and 1 to 5 on week days and 8 to 12 on Saturday.

The Student Health doctors, Drs. Alfred Fried and Donald Jackson are there from 8 until 9:15 each morning. Students are requested to come in at some time besides class time if at all possible.

Service Open Daily

The dental service is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and Thursday and Friday afternoons. Dental appointments are made in the Student Health Service. Also, appointments for refractions for glasses can be made through this office.

Immunization against influenza types A and B will be given this week and next week. It is pointed out by the Health Service that this is against influenza types A and B and is no particular protection against the common cold.

Nurses Must Have Shots

The shots are obligatory for student nurses, but are entirely on a voluntary basis for medical students.

Times for immunization are given below:

- Freshmen nurses Friday 3:00
- Junior nurses Friday 2:00
- Senior nurses Friday 2-3:00
- Freshmen medical students Friday 4:00
- Sophomore medical students Monday 11:00
- Junior and senior medical students Monday 2:30-5:00

Independent Students!

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