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POLYCLINIC HONORS 23 OF ITS DOCTORS

Unveils Portraits of Men Who in Past 61 Years Have Done Most for Its Growth

The twenty-three physicians and surgeons deemed to have contributed most toward the creation of Polyclinic Hospital were honored yesterday when their portraits were unveiled in the faculty room of the hospital, 341 West Fiftieth Street.

Several hundred staff members, nurses, visiting physicians and other friends of the hospital attended the ceremony or viewed the gallery during the afternoon. A reception and tea followed the unveiling.

Mrs. Victor Harris, chairman of the board of the Social Auxiliary of the hospital, officiated at the unveiling of the gallery. The presentation of the portraits to the hospital was by Dr. Orrin S. Wightman, former president of the New York State Medical Society and the New York County Medical Society. A. A. Jaller, executive officer of the hospital, expressed the institution's gratitude for the gift.

Dr. Joseph F. McCarthy, president of the faculty, in officially accepting the gift in behalf of the faculty and the hospital, said the gallery represented a graphic portrayal of the sixty-one year history of Polyclinic Hospital and afforded a constant source of inspiration to practicing surgeons and physicians today.

With the exception of six men, Drs. Delavan, Sachs, Whiting, Korley, Wightman and Dillingham, the honored men are dead. The complete list of those whose portraits appear in the gallery follows:

WILLARD PARKER, M. D., Professor of Surgery, 1881. Willard Parker Hospital was named for him.

PAUL MENDE, M. D., Professor of Gynecology, 1881. One of the founders of the New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital; author of a textbook on gynecology.

ANDREW R. ROBINSON, M. D., Professor of Dermatology, 1881. One of the founders of the New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital; well-known dermatologist of his time; author of a textbook on dermatology.

LONDON CARTER GRAY, M. D., Professor of Neurology, 1881. One of the pioneers in his field; author of a textbook on neurology.

ABRAHAM JACOBI, M. D., Professor of Medicine-Pediatrics, 1881. Author of a textbook.

W. GILL WYLIE, M. D., Professor of Gynecology, 1881. One of the founders of the New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital. Was attending gynecologist then consulting gynecologist to Bellevue Hospital.

ÁRPÁD G. GERSTER, M. D., Professor of Surgery, 1881. Was attending surgeon to Mount Sinai Hospital.

VIRGIL P. GIBNEY, M. D., Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at Columbia University and was surgeon-in-chief at the Hospital for Ruptured and Crippled.

D. BRYSON DELAVAN, M. D., Professor of Rhinology, 1883. Was attending rhinologist then consulting rhinologist to St. Luke's Hospital.

L. EMMETT HOLT, M. D., Professor of Pediatrics, 1888. Was Professor of Pediatrics at Columbia University; author of textbook on Pediatrics.

BERNARD SACHS, M. D., Professor of Neurology, 1888. Is Professor of Clinical Neurology at Columbia University and Director of Child Neurology Research at the Freedman Foundation. Ex-president of the New York Academy of Medicine.

JAMES P. TUTTLE, M. D., Professor of Proctology, 1889. Was one of the pioneers in this specialty in the United States; author of textbook on proctology.

J. RIDDLE GOFFE, M. D., Professor of Gynecology, 1894. Was attending gynecologist to the Woman's Hospital.

WILLIAM RICE PRYOR, M. D., Professor of Gynecology, 1895. Was consulting gynecologist to several New York hospitals; author of textbook on gynecology.

ROBERT C. MYLES, M. D., Professor of Rhinology, 1895. Was consulting laryngologist to other hospitals; author of textbook on Rhinology.

FREDERICK WHITING, M. D., Professor of Otolaryngology, 1896. Was Professor of Otolaryngology at Cornell University and consulting otologist to the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary; author of textbook on the Mastoid.

CHARLES GILMORE KERLEY, M. D., Professor of Pediatrics, 1903. Consulting pediatrician to several New York hospitals; ex-president of the New York County Medical Society; author of textbook on pediatrics.

JOHN A. BODINE, M. D., Professor of Surgery, 1903. Pioneered in local anesthesia in operations for hernia; consulting surgeon to other New York hospitals.

ROYAL WHITMAN, M. D., Professor of Orthopedics, 1905. Was attending surgeon to the Hospital for Ruptured and Crippled and other hospitals; author of textbook on orthopedics.

ERRIN S. WIGHTMAN, M. D., Professor of Medicine, 1912. Consulting physician to several New York hospitals; ex-president of the New York State Medical Society and the New York County Medical Society.

FREDERICK H. DILLINGHAM, M. D., Professor of Dermatology, 1915. Consulting dermatologist to several New York hospitals.

JOHN ALLAN WYETH, M. D. LL. D., founder of the New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital, the first post-graduate medical school in the United States; first president of the faculty; Surgeon-in-Chief at the Polyclinic, ex-president of the New York County Medical Society; the New York Academy of Medicine; the American Medical Association; author of several textbooks on surgery.

H. MARION SIMS, M. D., LL. D., one of the founders and Professor of Gynecology New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital; founder of the Woman's Hospital in New York City; one of the pioneers in gynecology; author of textbook on gynecology. A statue of Dr. Sims is located at 5th Ave. and 103d St., opposite the New York Academy of Medicine.

Gerster Árpád

Igaz tudós. A földön élő rossznak
ellensége, te fényszóró győztes.
Igaz orvos. A csaholó babonák
utján nem bántad a buta mint les.
Dalod a Tény volt, ámde fáztál volna,
ha nincsen melletted költői üszök.
Ez menedéked volt a muszáj-létben,
te tudtad minden ember számüzött.
És jó voltál, mint kit semmi csalódás
el nem riaszt az érték hitétől.
És nyílt voltál, mint ki meg nem engedi,
hogy érveit legyürje, aki öl.
És magyar voltál, pipázgató magyar,
ki nem szégyenlé népe reményét.
És yankee-honban az embert szolgálva,
láttad az élet s a halál kémét.



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