

Dr. Harold H. Burns Lecture Notes

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Extent: .42 linear feet or 1 clamshell box

Creator: Burns, Harold H.

Subjects:

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Abstract:

This collection contains the medical lecture notes of Dr. Harold H. Burns, University of Maryland School of Medicine class of 1936. The notes date from September 1933 to February 1935 corresponding to Dr. Burns' first and second years of medical school. The first two years of study at that time were devoted entirely to the study of the structures and functions of the body; later years were devoted to clinical study. The notes in this collection reflect the medical research and teachings of the time.

Biographical History:

Harold Hubert Burns was born in Girardville, PA in 1909. He was a skilled pianist, playing piano along with silent movies in Pennsylvania and Atlantic City, New Jersey as an early career. When he first saw movies with sound he realized his piano-playing career had no future and he entered what is now Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA. After a semester at Susquehanna, he transferred to the University of Pittsburgh where he took pre-medical courses before entering the University of Maryland in 1932. Dr. Burns graduated from the University of Maryland School of Medicine in 1936.

Following graduation, Dr. Burns completed his residency at Mercy Hospital in Baltimore. He remained as a surgeon at Mercy until the 1970s and operated a general practice office in Parkville, Maryland until 1990. Dr. Burns married Margaret Ross Conway and had 5 children: Margaret, Mary, Kathryn, Judith, and Harold Jr. Dr. Burns died in January 2004.

Scope and Content:

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This collection contains lecture notes for eight University of Maryland School of Medicine courses: Pathology, Bacteriology, Physiology, Pharmacology, Medicine and Physical Diagnosis, Surgery, Surgical Anatomy, and Fractures and Surgery dated from September 1933 to February 1935. The final folder also contains a newspaper clipping from Dr. Burns' graduation in 1936.

Lectures:

- Pathology with Drs. Hugh R. Spencer, C. Gardner Warner, Charles J. Farinacci, W. R. Johnson, George McLean; September 1933 to March 1934

- Bacteriology with Dr. Frank W. Hachtel; September 1933 to March 1934
- Physiology with Drs. E.M. Reese and O.G. Harne; September 1933 to April 1934
- Pharmacology with Dr. John C. Krantz, Jr.; September 1933 to May 1934
- Medicine and Physical Diagnosis (Partially restricted) with Drs. Frank Ford and George McLean; September 1933 to November 1934
- Surgery with Dr. Monte Edwards or Charles Reid Edwards; January 1934
- Surgical Anatomy with Dr. Frank K. Morris; February 1934 to May 1934
- Fractures and Surgery with Drs. C. F. Horine; Thomas B. Aycock; Nathan Winslow, Charles Bagley; September 1934 to February 1935

Arrangement: Lecture notes are organized by course than chronologically

Access Restrictions: Open for research, with the exception of the Physical Diagnosis notes, which contains patient information; these notes will remain restricted.

Language: English

Custodial History: After Dr. Burns' death in January 2004, the Burns family maintained his papers until donating the materials in March 2019.

Acquisition: Donated by Brendan V. Burns and Mulligan Burns, grandchildren of Dr. Harold H. Burns, to the Health Sciences and Human Services Library Historical Collections on March 14, 2019.

Sources Used:

Kelly, Jacques. Dr. Harold H. Burns, 95, Mercy Medical Surgeon [obituary]. *The Sun* Baltimore 30 Jan 2004: 5B.

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