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Dedication of the Buildings of the Washington University Medical School

THE Washington University Medical School was reorganized in 1910, and plans were prepared for the erection of new buildings to accommodate the laboratories, the library and the out-patient department of the school. Construction was begun in 1912 and completed two years later. The Barnes Hospital and the St. Louis Children's Hospital entered into affiliation with the Medical School and erected hospitals in immediate contact with it. On April 28, 29 and 30, 1915, exercises were held to celebrate the completion of this group of buildings designed to promote the practice, the teaching and the progress of medicine.

On Thursday, April 29, 1915, at 10 A. M., a procession formed in the Rotunda of the Barnes Hospital in the following order: I. Officers of administration of Washington University, the Mayor of the City of Saint Louis, speakers of the day and representatives of the Faculties of Washington University; II. Delegates; III. Guests of the University; IV. Faculty of the Medical School.

At 10:30 A. M. exercises were held in the Assembly Hall of the Medical School.

The presiding officer, Acting Chancellor Fred-eric Aldin Hall, said: "In grateful acknowledg-

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ment of Him who crowns with favor the intelligent efforts of man, the exercises of the day will be opened with prayer by the Right Reverend Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri.

Prayer

O Merciful Lord and Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for Thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. Grant to us pardon and peace that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve Thee with a quiet mind. Accept, we pray Thee, at our hands, the dedication of these buildings to Thy Glory and to the service and benefit of the bodies of men which have been fearfully and wonderfully made by Thee.

May Thy hallowing Spirit rest for guidance and grace upon those who teach and those who learn and those who serve and those who suffer here. May the light of Thy countenance shine upon all those who by their gifts or care make possible the precious benefits and blessed cures promoted in and from this place.

O Lord and Merciful Savior, Who didst choose Thy servant St. Luke not only to be an evangelist and teacher, but didst raise him up to be a physician of the body, pour the riches of Thy grace, we humbly beseech Thee, on all men called by Thee to minister as physicians. Implant in their minds the likeness of Thy holy Self. Strengthen them to endure hardness and evermore establish them with Thy free Spirit.

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Clothe all professors and students of colleges and seats of learning devoted to medicine with growth in knowledge and with abundance of Thy heavenly love.

Direct us in all our doings this day with Thy most gracious favor and further us with Thy continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued and ended in Thee we may glorify Thy holy name and finally, by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who has taught us to pray to Thee, O Almighty Father, in His prevailing words:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

ACTING CHANCELLOR HALL: Announcement by the President of the Corporation, Robert Somers Brookings, the one man, pre-eminently, whose dream is this day realized.

Announcement by the President of the Corporation, Robert Somers Brookings

The published report of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching on the condition of medical education in this country, its later report on medical education in Europe, and

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the more recent findings of the King Edward Commission on medical education in London, have made medical training a very live issue in this country. These documents have been so thoroughly discussed and commented upon by various committees appointed for the purpose that I believe the practicing profession, and those interested in medical education, have arrived at a general understanding of what should constitute today an ideal plant and organization for the teaching of medicine and for medical research.

In the laboratory buildings we dedicate today, and their affiliated hospitals, Washington University has undertaken, both in the construction of the laboratory buildings and in the supervision of the hospital buildings, to produce a plant which we believe conforms to this ideal.

As our plans contemplate ultimate hospital facilities of approximately five hundred beds, and an out-patient service of twelve thousand visits per month or more, we have adopted, for our student body, a class unit of from sixty to seventy-five, or a school unit of from two hundred and forty to three hundred students. We believe that our laboratory buildings, in construction and equipment, provide every facility for a student body of this size, as well as every provision for extensive work in research.

We believe that the hospitals represent the last word both in construction and equipment for teaching purposes. They are, moreover, so related to our laboratory buildings, including the out-patient