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HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

The Indiana University Center for the History of Medicine was created at the IU-Bloomington campus in 1989. Co-directed by professors Ann Carmichael and Steven Stowe, the center's aim is to document Indiana's medical past. In collaboration with the Indiana University School of Medicine, a pilot oral history project was begun in late 1991. The Indiana Medicine Oral History Project (IMOHP) focused on physicians who practiced or received their medical school education in Indiana. Participants were asked not only about their individual careers, but also about changes in the fields of medicine and medical education. The project was also aided by the Indiana University Oral History Research Center and by a two-year Clio Grant awarded by the Indiana Historical Society.

Fifty-nine physicians were interviewed as part of IMOHP. Topics included family histories, medical school education and practice, daily aspects of medical work, and views on how medicine has changed since the early twentieth century. The following is a list of interviewees, along with each individual's birthplace and date, place of medical education, and the focus of their medical practice.

Ade, Mary Keller: (b. 1908) Forest, Clinton Co., IN; Indiana University; general practice
Albertson, Frank: (b. 1904) Jackson Co., IN; IU; general
Bailey, Lawrence: (b. 1904) Marion Co., IN; IU; general
Bannon, William: (b. 1921) Kokomo, Howard Co., IN; IU; general
Black, Joseph M.: (b. 1918) Seymour, Jackson Co., IN; IU; general
Bonsett, Charles: (b. 1921) Indianapolis, Marion Co., IN; IU; neurology
Booher, Olga Bonke: (b. 1907) Indianapolis, IN; IU; pediatrics
Bowen, Otis R.: (b. 1918) Fulton Co., IN; IU; general
Bridges, Alvin: (b. 1925) Dayton, OH; Meharry Med. College; general
Calli, Louis J.: (b. 1910) Canastota, NY; St. Louis Med. School; general
Chattin, Herbert: (b. 1914) Missouri; IU; general
Coffel, Melvin H.: (b. 1913) Franceville, Pulaski Co., IN; IU; otorhinolaryngology
Compton, George: (b. 1915) Tipton, Tipton Co., IN; IU; general
Culbertson, Clyde: (b. 1906) Vevay, Switzerland Co., IN; IU; clinical pathology
Dalton, Naomi: (b. 1914) Salem, Washington Co., IN; IU; anesthesiology
Day, William D.: (b. 1902) Seymour, Jackson Co., IN; IU; surgery/general
Deal, Eleanor: (b. 1907) Rushville, Rush Co., IN; IU; general
Engel, Edgar: (b. 1909) Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN; Washington Univ.; obstetrics
Fisch, Charles: (b. 1921) Poland; IU; radiology
Fitzgerald, Brice: (b. 1913) Youngstown, OH; IU/Washington Univ.; general
Green, Frank H.: (b. 1908) Rushville, Rush Co., IN; IU/Columbia Univ.; general
Green, Morris: (b. 1922) Indianapolis, IN; Univ. of Illinois; pediatrics
Grillo, Donald: (b. 1905) Joliet, IL; IU; colo-rectal surgery
Havens, Russell: (b. 1903) Indianapolis, IN; IU; anesthesiology
Hodgin, Phillip: (b. 1915) Richmond, Wayne Co., IN; IU; general
Horst, William: (b. 1914) Crown Point, Lake Co., IN; IU; general
Jones, King Solomon: (b. 1898) Lake City, Florida; Howard Univ.; general
Kilgore, Byron: (b. 1911) Indianapolis, IN; IU; general
Kreidl, Dorothy: (b. 1912) Worcester, MA; Univ. of Michigan; general
Lloyd, Frank P.: (b. 1919) Charleston, S.C.; Howard; general
Macy, George W.: (b. 1905) Quincy, Owen Co., IN; IU; general surgery
Manifold, Harold: (b. 1922) Ingalls, Madison Co., IN; IU; general
Megenhardt, Dennis: (b. 1905) Spencer, Owen Co., IN; IU; general surgery
Miller, Laverne: (b. 1915) Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., IN; IU; general
Newhouse, Margaret: (b. 1905) Indianapolis, IN; IU; physical therapy
Paris, Durward: (b. 1908) Terre Haute, Sullivan Co., IN; IU; general
Paynter, William: (b. 1926) Salem, Washington Co., IN; IU; general/psychiatry
Ramsey, Frank: (b. 1902) Muncie, Delaware Co., IN; IU; surgery
Rawls, George: (b. 1928) Gainsville, FL; Howard; surgery

Reed, Robert: (b. 1921) Rochester, Fulton Co., IN; IU; general
Richter, Arthur: (b. 1903) Carroll Co., IN; IU; general
Runge, Paul W.: (b. 1911) Richmond, Wayne Co., IN; Univ. of Michigan; general
Rust, Byron K.: (b. 1904) Indianapolis, IN; IU; pediatrics
Sage, Charles V.: (b. 1916) Brownstown, Jackson Co., IN; IU; general
Schneider, Louis: (b. 1913) New York, NY; New York Univ.; pathology
Shumacker, Harris: (b. 1908) Laural, MS; John Hopkins/IU; surgery
Schuman, Edith: ? Carlock, IL; IU; general
Scott, I. Winfield: (b. 1910) Clinton, Vermillion Co., IN; IU; pediatrics
Sholty, William: (b. 1915) Wabash, Wabash Co., IN; IU; anesthesiology
Teague, Frank: (b. 1904) Indianapolis, IN; IU; general
Thatcher, Hugh: (b. 1910) Indianapolis, IN; IU; general
Tower, T, Kermit: (b. 1908) Leavenworth, Crawford Co., IN; IU; general
Thomas, Edward: (b. 1920) Hattiesburg, MS; Meharry; general
Vagner, S. Bernard: (b. 1917) Alexandria, LA; Meharry; general surgery
Van Buskirk, Edmund: (b. 1907) Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN; IU; ophthalmology
Vollrath, Victor: (b. 1916) Indianapolis, IN; IU; surgery
Walters, Charles (b. 1913) Mishawaka, St. Joseph Co., IN; IU; surgery
Walther, Joseph (b. 1912) Glenwood, Rush Co., IN; IU; general
Williams, Alexander: (b. 1922) Huntsville, AL; Meharry; general

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of typescripts of interviews that were conducted as part of the Indiana Medicine Oral History Project (IMOHP). Fifty-nine physicians who practiced or were educated in Indiana were interviewed about their family histories, medical school education and practice, daily aspects of medical work, and their views on how medicine has changed since the early twentieth century.

Some of the interviewees comment on the struggles of minorities in the medical field and the problems they faced as minorities. Those physicians who practiced in Indianapolis provide a look at the histories of some area hospitals; Joseph E. Walther discusses the founding of Winona Hospital. In a similar way, those who practiced in smaller communities or rural areas talk about medical practices in those areas. Other topics that appear throughout the interviews include: alternative medicine, medical practices and experiences during the Great Depression and World War II, the Indiana University School of Medicine, and the increased use of antibiotics by doctors.

The interviews are arranged alphabetically. Each includes a short index.

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- 10 Alvin Bridges
- 11 Louis J. Calli
- 12 Herbert Chattin
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- 13 Harold Manifold

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11 I. Winfield Scott

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18 Edmund L. Van Buskirk

19 Victor Vollrath

20 Charles Walters

21 Joseph E. Walther

22 Alexander Williams

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