ASSOCIATION'S SCIENTIFIC
SESSIONS TO COMMEMORATE
WILLIAM HARVEY

The 30th Scientific Sessions of the American
Heart Association, to be held in Chicago's
Hotel Sherman, Friday, October 25 through
Monday October 28, will commemorate the
300th anniversary of the death of William
Harvey, British discoverer of the circulation
of the blood.

To honor the British scientist, a special
exhibit and film showing his work are planned.
There will also be a brief dedication ceremony
on Saturday morning, October 26, when the
regular Scientific Sessions get underway.

The following tentative schedule has been
decided on by the Program Committee:

Preceding the regular Scientific Sessions will
be an all-day scientific program on Friday for
physicians in general practice on “Prevention
and Management of Cardiovascular Emer-
gencies”. This special course is open to all
registrants at the Annual Meeting. On Friday
evening, a session on instrumental methods,
which has proved popular at past meetings,
will be repeated.

Scheduled for Saturday morning are: presenta-
tion of the Albert Lasker Award of the
American Heart Association; the Lewis A.
Conner Memorial Lecture; and a General
Session. The Saturday afternoon hours will be
devoted to Special Sessions of the Section on
Clinical Cardiology, the Section on Circulation
and the Council on Rheumatic Fever and Con-
genital Heart Disease.

Slated for Sunday are a General Session, in-
cluding the George E. Brown Memorial
Lecture, in the morning and another General
Session in the afternoon. In addition, there
will be a special panel on “the Present Status
of Fat Metabolism and Atherosclerosis,”
sponsored by the Council on Community
Service and Education.

Special Sessions of the Section on Basic
Science, Section on Cardiovascular Surgery and
of the Council of High Blood Pressure Research
are scheduled for Monday morning. The Sci-
entific Sessions end Monday noon.

The Association’s Annual Dinner, at which
a number of awards will be presented, will take
place on Sunday.

Six Assembly Panels will be in session on
Monday. The full Assembly will meet Tuesday
morning to review Panel recommendations and
to elect officers of the Association and Board
members.

The Staff Conference of Heart Associations,
which is composed of staff representatives of
the Association’s 57 affiliates and 350 chapters,
will meet concurrently with the Scientific
Sessions on Saturday and Sunday.

DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS
IS JUNE 15

The Program Committee of the Asso-
ciation’s Scientific Council urges early
submission of abstracts of scientific
papers to be presented at the 30th
Scientific Sessions of the American Heart
Association (Chicago, October 25-28).
Deadline is June 15, 1957.

Papers intended for presentation
should be based on original investiga-
tions in or related to the cardiovascular
field. Abstracts will be accepted only on
forms which can be obtained from the
Medical Director, American Heart
Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New
York 10, N. Y.

The Scientific Sessions will feature a
section for scientific exhibits. Requests
for space for scientific exhibits must be
made on application forms obtainable
from the Association’s Medical Director.
The deadline for these applications is
June 15, 1957.
NEW MATERIALS ISSUED BY
AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

Among the new materials prepared by the Association of interest to physicians are the following:

"Your Blood Pressure" is a 16-page, illustrated booklet written by the Association's President, Dr. Edgar V. Allen, Senior Consultant in Medicine, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota. The booklet explains what the physician can do about hypertension and what the patient can do to help his doctor help him. A special section deals with How the Doctor Takes Your Blood Pressure.

"Congenital Cardiac Defects, a Physician's Guide for Evaluation and Management" is a 27-page booklet prepared by the Committee on Congenital Heart Disease of the Association's Council on Rheumatic Fever and Congenital Heart Disease. For use by general practitioners, pediatricians and medical students, the booklet complements the AHA publication "Diagnosis of Congenital Cardiac Defects," by Regina Gluck, M.D. While Dr. Gluck's booklet provides brief descriptions of common congenital defects, the new publication presents information in the form of a manual for diagnosis and management. It outlines and interprets symptoms and signs for which a doctor should look if he suspects a congenital heart defect, and gives useful advice for immediate and long-range management.

"Standards for Centers Caring for Patients with Congenital Cardiac Defects" is a reprint of an article published in the April, 1956 issue of Circulation.


In addition to these printed materials, the Association has issued for general interest "Coronary Heart Disease," a new 16 mm, five-minute color film for use by TV or direct audience viewing. The film, which uses animation, was produced for the American Heart Association by Churchill-Wexler and provides excellent visual aids to a physician addressing a group of lay people or a doctor interviewing a patient on television.

"Rheumatic Fever Prevention" is the title of a new guide prepared by the Association to provide its affiliates with the principles and procedures for a systematic approach to developing a program of rheumatic fever prevention.

All of these materials may be obtained through local Heart Associations or the American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, N. Y.

LONDON CELEBRATES HARVEY TERCENTENARY, JUNE 3-7

The Royal College of Surgeons will hold a Harvey Tercentenary Congress, reviewing the present knowledge of the circulation, in London next month, June 3-7.

International authorities from England, Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, France, Canada and the United States will discuss knowledge of the circulation from the seventeenth to the twentieth centuries; the role of the heart in circulation; the results of cardiac surgery; the coronary, pulmonary, fetal, cerebral, splanchnic and peripheral circulation. These subjects will be discussed from Monday, June 3, through Friday, June 7. On Saturday, Sir Geoffrey Keynes will be chairman of a week-end conference on the more personal and biographical aspects of William Harvey's life (1578-1657) at his birthplace in Folkestone, Kent.

Among participants from the United States are: Drs. C. S. Beck, S. E. Bradley, André Courand, Louis Katz, S. Kety and F. A. Willius. For further information write to Dr. Rulon W. Rawson, The Harvey Society, 444 East 68th Street, New York 21, N. Y.

AHA NATIONAL OFFICE

The growth of the American Heart Association and its affiliates has necessitated a realign-
ment of the national headquarters staff. Under a new plan of functional operation, Executive Director Rome A. Betts is generally responsible for all nonmedical administrative functions of the national office, including fund raising, public relations and coordination of field services while Medical Director Eugene B. Ferris, who recently joined the staff, is responsible for all activities of the medical, scientific and community service programs.

Working with Dr. Ferris will be Dr. John W. Ferree as Associate Medical Director for Applied Services. Dr. Ferree has been with the Association for eight years, serving as Director of Community Service and Education. Assistant Medical Director Dr. Frederick J. Levy, also with the Association for many years, will be in charge of professional education. He was formerly responsible for activities in the field of rheumatic fever and congenital heart disease. The newly appointed Assistant Medical Director for Research is Dr. John H. Peters who comes to the American Heart Association from Atlanta, Georgia, where he was Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine, Emory University, and Director of Medical Research and Assistant Chief of Medicine, Veterans Administration Hospital.

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE ON WORK AND THE HEART

Some 60 of the nation’s outstanding medical authorities as well as specialists from foreign countries will attend the “First Wisconsin Conference on Work and the Heart,” which will take place this month, May 15–18, at Marquette University in Milwaukee.

The Conference seeks answers to the following questions: How does one measure the impact of work on a damaged heart? Is strain of work a factor in heart disease? How does one decide when a cardiac may return to work? How does one measure the work potential of a cardiac?

The conference is sponsored jointly by Marquette University School of Medicine and the Wisconsin Heart Association. Cooperating in the conference will be the American Heart Association, the National Heart Institute and the Industrial Health Council of the American Medical Association. Publication of the proceedings is planned.

The conference will be divided into five concurrent panels on basic physiology, clinical physiology, pathology, work classification and workmen’s compensation. On Saturday morning, the moderators and recorders of each panel will present their reports to the full assembly over which Dr. Maurice B. Visscher, Professor of Physiology, University of Minnesota School of Medicine, will preside.

The principal speaker at the opening session, Wednesday evening, May 15, will be Dr. E. Cowles Andrus, physician in charge of the Cardiac Clinic, Johns Hopkins Hospital, and a past president of the American Heart Association.

Foreign participants will include Drs. H. H. Weber, Heidelberg, Germany; Matti J. Karonen, Helsinki, Finland; A. Morgan Jones, Chesire, England; and Gunnar Birock, Malmo, Sweden.

Among the panel moderators are Dr. Maurice B. Visscher; Dr. Howard B. Burchell, Professor of Medicine, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.; and Dr. Leonard Goldwater, Professor of Occupational Medicine, Columbia University School of Public Health, New York.

HOSPITAL IN DENVER OFFERS FELLOWSHIP IN CARDIOPULMONARY PHYSIOLOGY

The National Jewish Hospital in Denver offers a one-year or two-year fellowship in cardio-pulmonary physiology oriented toward academic research. Applications will be accepted from physicians who have completed an internship and at least two years of approved residency training in medicine, pediatrics or surgery. This fellowship is integrated with the teaching program of the University of Colorado School of Medicine. It is coordinated by Dr. Gardner Middlebrook, Director of Research and Laboratories. The stipend is $6,000 per annum, $3,600 of which is tax-free.

Applications will be accepted before July 1, 1957. All inquiries should be addressed to Dr. Goffredo Gensini, Chief, Cardio-Pulmonary
Physiology, National Jewish Hospital, 3800 East Colfax Avenue, Denver 6, Colo.

MEETINGS CALENDAR

May 15–18: First Wisconsin Conference on Work and the Heart, Milwaukee. Elston L. Belknap, M.D., Marquette University School of Medicine, 561 N. 15th St., Milwaukee 3, Wis. (By invitation)


June 1: American Academy of Tuberculosis Physicians, New York. Oscar S. Levin, P.O. Box 7011, Denver 6, Colo.


June 7–8: University of Michigan Regional Conference on Hypertension, Ann Arbor, Michigan. John Sheldon, M.D., Department of Post Graduate Medicine, University of Michigan Medical School, University Hospital, Ann Arbor, Mich.


October 1–4: American Roentgen Ray Society, Washington, D. C. Barton R. Young, German Hospital, Philadelphia 44, Pa.


October 14–18: American College of Surgeons, Atlantic City, N. J. Michael L. Mason, 40 E. Erie St., Chicago, Ill.

October 14–19: American Society of Anesthesiologists, Los Angeles, Calif. J. E. Remlinger, Jr., 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.


October 23–25: American Association of Medical Clinics, Kansas City, Mo. Harold D. Caylor, Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton, Ind.


November 3–4: American Society for the Study of Arteriosclerosis, Chicago, Ill. O. J. Pollak, M.D., P.O. Box $228, Dover, Del.


ABROAD


June 23–28: International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases, Toronto, Ont. International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases, P.O. Box 237, Terminal “A,” Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

July 7–13: Brazilian Congress of Cardiology and Angiology, Rio de Janeiro. Dr. A. de Carvalho Azevedo, Rua Domingos Ferreira 28, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

July 14–19: International Gerontological Congress, Merano-Bolzano, Italy. Segretaria, Quarto Congresso Internazionale de Gerontologia, Viale Morgagni 85, Firenze, Italy.


September 29–October 5: World Medical Association, Istanbul, Turkey. Louis H. Bauer, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, N. Y.

October 27–November 2: Congress of International Society of Surgery, Mexico City, Mexico. Dr. L. Dejardin, 141, rue Belliard, Brussels, Belgium.

September 14–21, 1958: Third World Congress of Cardiology, Brussels. Dr F. Van Dooren, 80 Rue Mercelis, Brussels, Belgium.
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