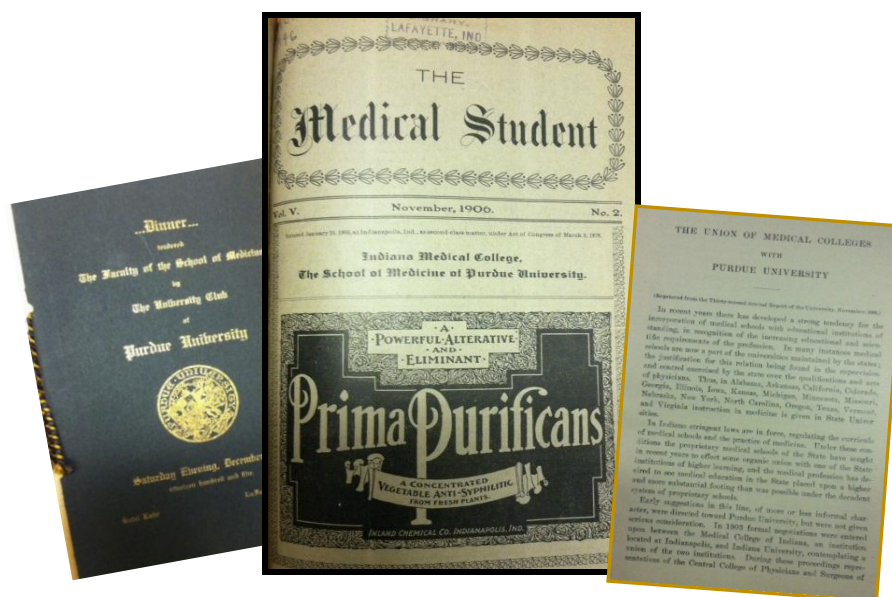


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Descriptive Summary

Creator Information	Legacy collection, creator unknown
Title	Purdue University School of Medicine collection
Collection Identifier	MSP 174
Date Span	1895-1997, predominant 1905-1907
Abstract	Correspondence, clippings, memorandum, pamphlets, periodical, reports, a scrapbook, and a joint resolution documenting the early history of the Purdue University School of Medicine.
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Subjects and Genres

Persons

Stone, Winthrop Ellsworth, 1862-1921

Arnett, Arett C., 1882-1955

Organizations

Purdue University. School of Medicine

Purdue University

Topics

Purdue University. School of Medicine

Indiana University. School of Medicine

Form and Genre Types

Annual reports

Clippings (Information artifacts)

Correspondence

Memorandum

Pamphlets

Periodicals

Reports

Resolution

Scrapbooks

Occupations

Student

Physician

History of Purdue University School of Medicine

Between 1905 and 1908, Purdue University conducted a School of Medicine. Over the years there was a clash of interests between academia, government and Indiana University.

Before 1905, medical education in Indiana had been carried on by several private schools. In 1903 formal negotiations were entered upon between the Medical College of Indiana, an institution located in Indianapolis and Indiana University. During these proceedings representatives of the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons of Indianapolis broached the subject of a similar union between that institution and Purdue University.

In 1904 the negotiations between the Medical College of Indiana and Indiana University failed, and the matter was indefinitely abandoned.

In May, 1905, the Medical College of Indiana submitted to Purdue University the same proposal which had failed ratification with Indiana University. "The authorities of Purdue declined to take the matter under consideration until assured that no negotiations of a similar kind with any other institution in the State were pending or contemplated. The proposal of the Medical College of Indiana was to give its property and assets of an appraised value of \$100,000 to Purdue University, and to accompany the gift by its good will and the gratuitous services of its faculty; the motive being to permanently establish a medical college of high order in connection with an educational institution of good standing."

The Trustees of Purdue University took the proposal under consideration, and during some months inquired carefully into the whole matter. "They were convinced that the conditions were unusually favorable to the consummation of a union of interests where all previous efforts had failed, and to the inauguration of a progressive educational movement of great value to the State."

In September, 1905, the proposal of the Medical College was formally accepted, subject to the approval of the Legislature, and the Medical College became a department of Purdue University with the title of "The Indiana Medical College, the School of Medicine of Purdue University."

Soon after, a committee of faculty of the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons of Indianapolis entered into the conference with a committee of the medical faculty of Purdue with regard to a union of the Central College with the Purdue School, and these negotiations culminated on September 25, 1905 in a vote of the trustees of the Central College to suspend the operation of that college and to transfer the students, alumni, personal property and funds of the College to Purdue University for the use and benefit of the school of medicine.

The Fort Wayne College of Medicine soon followed and on October 2, 1905 formally voted to suspend its operation and to transfer its students, alumni, equipment, and funds to Purdue University for the use and benefit of its school of medicine, and the University appointed to its teaching staff several members of the faculty of the Fort Wayne College.

In May, 1906, one hundred and twenty-two students received their diplomas from Purdue University and successfully passed the examination of the State Board of Medical Registration. In the spring of 1907, Purdue graduated sixty-eight men and four women. In that class was Arett C. Arnett who helped establish a Lafayette clinic in 1922, later known as Arnett Clinic.

Finally, in April 1908, the founders of the medical school in Indianapolis reached a resolution with the faculty at the Purdue medical department to consolidate the Purdue Medical Department with the State College of Physicians and the Bloomington Medical Department of Indiana University. The separate medical schools in Indiana had now been consolidated, marking the "second founding" of the Indiana School of Medicine.

In 1909, the Legislature clearly mandated that Indiana University assume total responsibility for the state's public medical school.

Source(s):

"The Union of Medical Colleges with Purdue University," Reprinted from the Thirty-second Annual Report of the University, November, 1906. Print.

Kriebel, Bob. "Purdue, IU clashed on med school." Lafayette Journal and Courier 19 Jan. 1997: C3. Print.

Kriebel, Bob. "Merger ended med school strife." Lafayette Journal and Courier 26 Jan. 1997: C3. Print.

"Indiana University School of Medicine." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia Web. 9 October 2014.

Collection Description

Scope

The Purdue University School of Medicine collection (1895-1997; 1.30 cubic feet) documents the early history of the Purdue and Indiana University Schools of Medicine. The collection provides a wealth of correspondence in regards to the union of the three Medical Colleges in forming a single School of Medicine at Indianapolis, as the Medical Department of Purdue University. Many of the letters are between Purdue President W.E. Stone, Indiana University President William L. Bryan, and the teaching staff of the Indiana Medical College. Included in the collection is a scrapbook containing numerous clippings and several programs related to the history of the Purdue and Indiana University Medical Schools from 1898-1907. Also included is a brief history containing annual reports (1896-1906), pamphlets (some course related), a memorandum and a joint resolution concerning the merging of three private Indiana medical institutions into the School of Medicine of Purdue University. The collection also contains the periodical; *The Medical Student*, published by Indiana Medical College, The School of Medicine of Purdue University. Types of materials include: clippings (information artifacts), memoranda, pamphlets, a periodical, reports, a joint resolution and a scrapbook. There are several articles from 1997, written by Lafayette historian, Bob Kriebel, concerning the Purdue and Indiana Medical Schools. The scrapbook is in fragile condition.

Descriptive Rules

Describing Archives: A Content Standard

Processing Information

All materials have been housed in acid-free folders, and acid-free boxes.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Box 1 *Correspondence, 1905-1908*

Folder

1. Correspondence, 1905-1908
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4. Correspondence, 1906-1908 (includes a list of faculty and teaching corps for 1907-08 school year)
5. Correspondence and Historical Documents, 1906-1908

Box 2 *Historical Documents, 1901-1995*

Folder

1. Pamphlet, Purdue University Pre-Medical Course, May 14, 1901
2. "History of Negotiations of this Medical College of Indiana with Indiana University, 1904"
3. "Joint Resolution," and several original drafts, 1905
4. Articles of Association and legal issues presented to Dr. Henry Jameson, Dean of Medical College of Indiana, Indianapolis, Indiana, by Harold Taylor, July 28, 1905
5. Contract, Medical College of Indianapolis, Indiana, "...turning over all its property and assets of all kinds to the Board of Trustees of Purdue University..." August 1905
6. Financial Statement, Medical College of Indiana, prepared by John H. Oliver, Treasurer of the Medical College, August 25, 1905
7. Statement about the purpose and character of the combination of various medical schools in the State and their union with Purdue University, by Dr. Henry Jameson, Dean of the Medical College of Indiana; Dr. George Kahlo, Dean of the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons, and Dr. Christian B. Stemen, Dean of the Fort Wayne School of Medicine, circa 1906 (6 copies)
8. "The Union of Medical Colleges with Purdue University," (Reprinted from the Thirty-second Annual Report of the University, November, 1906, 2 copies)
9. "Brief History of the Constituent Colleges of Indiana Medical College, The School of Medicine of Purdue University," circa 1906 (includes "annual report" for 1896-1906, and "Inventory," July 1, 1906)
10. "Medical Education in Indiana," submitted to the General Assembly by W. E. Stone, President of Purdue University, January 5, 1907
11. "Views of Prominent Medical Educators and Physicians," circa 1907 (poor condition)
12. Legislative Directory for 1907
13. Correspondence to President Arthur Hansen from Dr. Edmund Van Buskirk,

- and a copy of "The Fort Wayne Medical Schools 1876-1905 and union with Purdue University," by Van Buskirk, 1976
14. Clippings; "Medical School Fight Now Begun: Purdue Hopes to Checkmate Indiana's Move to Teach Medicine in Indianapolis," *The Daily Student*, p. 1, January 16, 1907; "Han Von Yosef on Medical Fight," *The Daily Student*, February 1, 1907; "Purdue Bill Killed Today. This Ends Fight In Legislature," *The Daily Student*, p. 1, February 1, 1907; "Medical program offers degree," by Tiffany Bush, circa 1995 (publication information unknown)
 15. Catalog, Indiana Medical College, The School of Medicine of Purdue University, First Annual Catalogue and Announcement, 1906-1907; Register of Students, 1905-1906 (3 copies)
 16. Catalog, Indiana Medical College, The School of Medicine of Purdue University, Second Annual Announcement Session, 1907-1908; Register of Students for 1906-1907 (2 copies)

Box 3 Scrapbook, Clippings, Pamphlets, Memorandum, Joint Resolution, Periodical, and Reports, 1895-1997

Folder

1. Scrapbook, contains clippings and programs related to the history of the Purdue and Indiana University Medical Schools, circa 1898-1907 (in fragile condition)
2. Pamphlet, Purdue University, Pre-Medical Course, 1895-1896
3. Pamphlet, Purdue University, Pre-Medical Course, May 14, 1901
4. "Memorandum Concerning Coordination of College Premedical Courses With Medical Schools. Prepared for State Medical Board." Purdue University, January 19, 1904
5. Joint Resolution – The Medical College of Indianapolis, Indiana with Trustees of Purdue University, September 6, 1905; Central College of Physicians and Surgeons of Indianapolis, Indiana with the Trustees of Purdue University, September 28, 1905 and Fort Wayne College of Medicine of Fort Wayne, Indiana and Trustees of Purdue University, October 2, 1905
6. "Brief History of the Constituent Colleges of Indiana Medical College, The School of Medicine of Purdue University," also includes, "Expressions of Opinion From Various Medical Departments Of State Universities In Relation To The Question Of Operating The Medical Course Into Two Parts" and "Copy Of Annual Reports Of The Treasurer Of The Indiana Medical College For 1896, 1897, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906"
7. Periodical; *The Medical Student*. Indianapolis, Indiana: Medical College of Indiana, Volumes IV-VI, October 1905-May 1908
8. Pamphlet, "Indiana University and Medical Education," written by, William L. Bryan, President of Indiana University, May 1, 1906
9. Card; "Reasons for Approving the Union of Medical Colleges with Purdue University" and Pamphlet, "The Union of Medical Colleges with Purdue University (Reprinted from the Thirty-second Annual Report of the

- University),” November, 1906 (5 copies)
10. Photocopied pages from Purdue University Handbook, calendar and information for Indiana Medical College (Located at Indianapolis), The School of Medicine of Purdue University, 1906-1907 (2 copies)
 11. Report, “Medical Education In Indiana,” submitted to the members of the Indiana General Assembly, by W.E. Stone, President of Purdue University, January 5, 1907 (6 copies)
 12. Kriebel, Bob. (1997, January 19). “Purdue, IU clashed on med school.” *Lafayette Journal and Courier*, C3.
 13. Kriebel, Bob. (1997, January 26). “Merger ended med school strife.” *Lafayette Journal and Courier*, C3.