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# Scandinavian Physicians in Chicago 1887-1912

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Of the hundreds of societies, clubs, organizations, associations and fraternities of Scandinavian ethnic origin, which flourished in Chicago at the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th centuries, few had more prestige and social acceptance than the Scandinavian-American Medical Society of Chicago. This was not only true within the ethnic sector in Chicago, but also among many of the more indigenous groups within the scientific community, as well as in the home countries of Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

Organized in October 1887, almost a century ago, the society, which was first named the Scandinavian Medical Society of Chicago, soon changed its name to that which it carried as the group celebrated its silver anniversary in October 1912. At this occasion the group marked its first 25 years by publishing a brief history of its accomplishments. This book, comprising more than 80 pages, gives the modern reader a fascinating glimpse of medical practices a hundred years ago. Not only does it present us with some factual history of a by-gone era, but it also provides us with a clear picture of the society's purpose, its goals and its accomplishments.<sup>1</sup>

In thumbing through the pages of this more than 70 year-old volume, one is struck by the seriousness of purpose which imbued the Scandinavian-American physicians, surgeons and medical professors, who had banded themselves together for the purpose of expanding their knowledge. Here are no chauvinistic overtones to the program they embraced, no "tooting one's horn" for Denmark, Norway or Sweden. As a matter of fact, though they all certainly must have been conversant with their native tongues, all of the meetings as well as the papers presented were conducted in the English language.

The formation of a fraternity consisting of Scandinavian representatives from the medical profession in the city of Chicago was doubtless brought about by the realization that medical societies had been in operation in the Scandinavian countries for a very long time. At the time of the institution of the Chicago group, the medical societies of Copenhagen and Stockholm had already celebrated the centennials of their founding. The medical society of Oslo (Kristiania) was well toward the century mark.

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In the introduction to his historical essay, published for the 25th anniversary, Baltazar Meyer, the editor, admits that the enthusiasm for organizing a Chicago society stemmed from the success of the mother societies in Scandinavia. "We see," says Meyer, "that the physicians of the mother countries have worked for the perfection of medical science through mutual communication of knowledge and combined experience, as well as by fellowship between physicians."

The mutual advantages which redounded to the weal of the individual physician as he met with colleagues of his own peer group was doubtless the energizer which inspired ten Scandinavian-American physicians to meet in Faulhaber's Weinstube on North Clark Street in Chicago to discuss the possibilities of forming a medical society.

Meyer credits a Chicago doctor by the name of Sven Windrow for being the *primus motor* who labored long in order to realize a dream which he had nurtured.

After a few preliminary meetings the society was organized in October 1887 by ten physicians, representing the three Scandinavian countries<sup>2</sup>—Drs. S. Jacobson,<sup>3</sup> G.C. Paoli,<sup>4</sup> Sven Windrow,<sup>5</sup> B.M. Behrens,<sup>6</sup> A. Wimmermark,<sup>7</sup> William Johnson,<sup>8</sup> A. Doe,<sup>9</sup> F.A. Hess,<sup>10</sup> N. Remmen,<sup>11</sup> and Baltazar Meyer.<sup>12</sup>

During the following twenty-five years the society grew apace. Meeting monthly, except in July and August, the members met to listen to scientific papers, reports on hygiene and public health, sanitation, preventive medicine and a host of papers dealing with various diseases, surgical procedures and new techniques in healing the human body. As time went on and as word of the successful society filtered back to Scandinavia, an increasing number of Scandinavian physicians and scholars visited Chicago to lecture before the society. But these foreign guests, many of them distinguished in their native lands, were also able to bring back to Scandinavia new and fresh impressions from the fledgling society in Chicago.

Though the members of the group met regularly, principally to listen to learned papers by their colleagues and visiting guest lecturers, they nevertheless enjoyed the fellowship of each other's company, whether it was at Faulhaber's Weinstube, where the society was formed, or later at such old landmarks as Wilkens' Weinstube, the Sherman House, the Scandinavian Literary Society, the Union Restaurant or the Great Pacific Hotel. After many years of moving from one gathering place to another, the society finally found its niche in the Swedish Club, located at La Salle Avenue and Goethe Street.

The Meyer volume, which in a superb manner tells the story of the Scandinavian physicians in Chicago, also contains the roster of the physicians who joined the society during the first 25 years of its existence. These names are listed below, as of possible interest to the personal historian and biographer. Though the secretary has been quite generous in giving space to the medical topics discussed during 25 years of meetings, he is quite chary in giving us a complete list of the doctors who constituted the society. In some instances he has given only the surname of the physician. In almost every case he has only given the initials of the baptismal name of the doctor concerned. He does give us the

year in which the physician became a member. Where identification has been possible, this supplementary information is given in the Notes section at the end of the article.

The following Scandinavian physicians became members of the Scandinavian-American Medical Society of Chicago between 1887 and 1912, exclusive of the ten charter members:

Name	Year Admitted	Name	Year Admitted
Andersen, — <sup>13</sup>	1907	Johnsen, N. <sup>43</sup>	1889
Anderson, W.J. <sup>14</sup>	1908	Johnson, J. <sup>44</sup>	1912
Bassoe, P. <sup>15</sup>	1897	Kjerulf, — <sup>45</sup>	1912
Benson, E. <sup>16</sup>	1910	Klaus, C.F. <sup>46</sup>	1910
Berg, O.H. <sup>17</sup>	1898	Klovstad, A. <sup>47</sup>	1902
Blomgreen, C. <sup>18</sup>	1910	Krogh, C.A. <sup>48</sup>	1909
Boehmer, O. <sup>19</sup>	1904	Larsen, E. <sup>49</sup>	1912
Borge, C.F. <sup>20</sup>	1890	Larson, C.T.	1888
Brown, J.C.	1908	Lawson, —	1891
Christensen, A.H. <sup>21</sup>	1892	Lee, J.H. <sup>50</sup>	1892
Clements, P.C. <sup>22</sup>	1906	Lenard, C. <sup>51</sup>	1897
Dahl, Sv. <sup>23</sup>	1890	Lid, —	1896
Danielsen, K.	1902	Lihme-Moller, —	1890
Ditlefsen, J. <sup>24</sup>	1908	Lind, E.T. <sup>52</sup>	1897
Engelbrechtsen, F. <sup>25</sup>	1910	Lundgreen, A. <sup>53</sup>	1908
Evensen, H. <sup>26</sup>	---	Magnus, A. <sup>54</sup>	1912
Fenger, Chr. <sup>+27</sup>	1888	Mikkelsen, G.	1912
Fletwood, G. <sup>28</sup>	1890	Mikkelsen, V. <sup>55</sup>	1912
Frick, A. <sup>29</sup>	1897	Mohn, --	1898
Frost, G. <sup>+30</sup>	1909	Moller, A.T.	1899
Gulbrandson, G.	1907	Moller, Th. <sup>56</sup>	1892
Gunderson, C. <sup>31</sup>	1907	Nielsen, Carl <sup>57</sup>	1912
Haakanson, H. <sup>32</sup>	1908	Nielsen, Eng	1909
Hagelstamm, --	1890	Norlund, — <sup>58</sup>	1892
Hagen, M. <sup>33</sup>	1908	Oldenborg, H. <sup>59</sup>	1897
Hansen, C.M. <sup>34</sup>	1889	Olsen, Adolph <sup>60</sup>	1903
Hansen, H.C. <sup>35</sup>	1904	Olsen, Egil T. <sup>61</sup>	1907
Hansen, J.	1910	Olsen, Marie <sup>62</sup>	1895
Hanshus, W.J. <sup>36</sup>	1904	Olsen, Martin <sup>63</sup>	1907
Hanson, G.H.	1900	Olsen, Oscar <sup>64</sup>	1897
Hejn, J.	1892	Oyen, A.B. <sup>65</sup>	1892
Hektoen, L. <sup>37</sup>	1889	Oyen, Alb. N. <sup>66</sup>	1907
Hoglund, E. <sup>38</sup>	1906	Pearson, N.P. <sup>+67</sup>	1889
Hojby, C. <sup>39</sup>	1906	Petterson, Th. <sup>68</sup>	1909
Holberg, E. <sup>40</sup>	1912	Petterson, W.A. <sup>69</sup>	1912
Holmboe, A. <sup>41</sup>	1888	Quales, N.T. <sup>70</sup>	1892
Jern, J.H. <sup>42</sup>	1912	Ring, J. <sup>+71</sup>	1889

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Name	Year Admitted	Name	Year Admitted
Raasoch, H. <sup>73</sup>	1895	Stixrud, --	1895
Rasmussen, Ingeborg <sup>72</sup>	1893	Strandh, M. <sup>83</sup>	1895
Reque, -- <sup>74</sup>	1905	Sunde, C.	1902
Roan, C.F. <sup>75</sup>	1898	Swanson, C.	1903
Roberg, O.T. <sup>76</sup>	1902	Thorsgaard, K. <sup>84</sup>	1903
Rothstejn, Th. <sup>77</sup>	1898	Toll, von E. <sup>85</sup>	1908
Ruud, Helga <sup>78</sup>	1900	Torrison, G. <sup>86</sup>	1891
Sandberg, K. <sup>79</sup>	1888	Unseth, M. <sup>87</sup>	1893
Sarheim, K. <sup>80</sup>	1910	Urhjem, J.L. <sup>88</sup>	1904
Schroeder, -- <sup>81</sup>	1895	Urhjem, O. <sup>89</sup>	1911
Seastrand, E.	1892	Verelius, A. <sup>90</sup>	1907
Smith, L.	1906	Vestberg, P.	1892
Sogn, Valborg <sup>82</sup>	1895	Vestfeldt, R. <sup>91</sup>	1890
Strangeland, A.	1910	Wald, O.C. <sup>92</sup>	1902
Stephensen, O.M.	1912	Warloe, Thr. <sup>93</sup>	1893

+ = Deceased

Notes

<sup>1</sup>Baltazar Meyer, *A History of The Scandinavian-American Medical Society of Chicago on the Occasion of its Twenty-fifth Anniversary* (Chicago 1913).

<sup>2</sup>There is a discrepancy in Meyer's recording of the charter members of the society. On page 12 of his history he lists the names of those who were present at the founding. On page 14 he lists the ten physicians who were considered to have been charter members. In the latter list C.F. Johnson's name has been added, whereas Sven Windrow's name has been dropped. Since Windrow was generally considered to have been the father of the idea to form a medical society, it is difficult to tell why his name was not listed among the charter members.

<sup>3</sup>Sigmund D. Jacobson was graduated from the medical school of the University of Copenhagen and arrived in the U.S., probably in the 1860s. He settled first in New York, then came to Chicago, where he opened an eye clinic, which won him much respect from his American colleagues. After the Chicago Fire of 1871, he gave up his specialty and settled down on Milwaukee Avenue as a general practitioner. He was active in Danish-American circles and served briefly as president of the Dania Society, founded in 1862. He served as the first president of the Scandinavian Medical Society. After a few years he returned to Denmark with his wife and two children. He d. in Copenhagen in 1894 (1895). —Meyer, *History*, pp. 13, 39; M. Salmonsens, *Brogede Minder fra fyrretyve Aars Ophold i Chicago* (Copenhagen 1913), pp. 95-97; H. Einar Mose *Dania Society of Chicago. The Centennial History 1862-1962* (Chicago 1962), p. 21.

<sup>4</sup>Gerhard Styhr Christian Hjort Paoli was b. in Trondhjem, Norway 23 June 1815, the s. of Pascal Paoli (Essendrop) and his wife, Bolette Regitze Lehne. According to information received by Dr. Ludvig Hektoen, supplied by H. Hopstock of the University of Oslo and based upon material copied by S.H. Finne-Grønn at the archives in Oslo, "Pascal Pæoli (Essendrop), the father of Dr. Paoli, was the s. of Andreas Essendrop (a brother of Bishop Essendrop of Kristiania) and Susanne Cathrine Gabrielsdatter. Andreas Essendrop is said to have visited the island of Corsica about 1770, at the time the revolutionary leader Pascal (Pasquale) Paoli ruled the island, and when a s. was born to him, he named him Pascal Paoli in honor of the revolutionary leader, whom he admired. Pascal Paoli (Essendrop) was baptized in Copenhagen in 1770, and when he grew up, he became a merchant in Oslo, but in 1799 he was convicted of counterfeiting, and was sentenced to lose his right hand. The sentence was commuted to life imprisonment, and he was placed in the fortress of Munkholmen, near Trondhjem, in 1803. Six years later he was pardoned and set free. In the fortress he was well liked and enjoyed such liberty that he was able to win the love of Bolette Regitze Lehne, the dau. of Mogens Lehne, the fortress commandant. He m. her on 1 Nov. 1811. Probably because of his imprisonment he dropped the family name, Essendrop, and was henceforth known as Pascal Paoli. He and his wife made their home in Trondhjem for some years, where their s. Gerhard, the later Chicago doctor, was b. But shortly after 1818 Pascal Paoli emigr. to America, finding employment as a quack-doctor, dentist and druggist, until his death in 1828. His wife d. in Trondhjem on 4 Oct. 1848."

Young Gerhard Paoli first studied medicine at the University of Oslo, but soon transferred to the University of Stockholm, where he procured his medical license in 1844. He emigr. to America in 1846, arr. in New York 28 Sept. of that year, aboard the *Agder* out of Stockholm. He first went to Wisconsin, later to Ohio. He was fascinated by chemistry and is said to have developed a method of separating fusel oil from alcohol, which won him a medal in 1853. When he came to Chicago shortly thereafter he joined an American in setting up a distillery to commercialize his invention. After two years the plant burned down and since it was uninsured, Paoli and his companion suffered a huge loss. He now turned his attention to medicine and established a lucrative practice. In 1866 he was awarded an honorary degree of doctor of medicine by Rush Medical College.

He was much interested in politics and served as city physician in both the Wentworth and Haines administrations. He was a Mason of high standing, having joined the order in 1856. He was m. twice, the first time to Severine Woxen, who d. at sea on the crossing to America. He m. the second time Sara Corning, who earlier had been m. to a Swedish immigrant, L.J. Magnusson. Paoli d. in Chicago 29 Jan. 1898, on the anniversary of the birth of Tom Paine, who was his greatest hero, and in whose memory he often spoke at public meetings. —Meyer, *History*, p. 39; Nils William Olsson, *Swedish Passenger Arrivals in New York 1820-1850* (Stockholm and Chicago 1967), pp. 106-107; *The Chicago Tribune*, 30 January 1898, p. 5; A.E. Strand, *A History of the Norwegians in Illinois* (Chicago 1905), p. 217; Knut Gjerset and Ludvig Hektoen, "Health Conditions and the Practice of Medicine Among the Early Norwegian Settlers, 1825-1865" in *Studies and Records of the Norwegian-American Historical Association*, Vol. I (Minneapolis 1926), pp. 46-49.

- <sup>5</sup>In 1912 Sven Windrow had his medical practice located at 1435 La Salle St. —*The Lakeside Annual Directory of the City of Chicago 1912* (Chicago 1912).
- <sup>6</sup>Berent Berentsen was b. in Bergen, Norway 25 Sept. 1843. He was graduated from the University of Oslo (Kristiania) in 1875 and then went on to graduate work in Berlin and Vienna. In 1882 he emigr. to Chicago, where he took the name Behrens, by which he was known for the rest of his life. He developed an extensive medical practice and was one of the founders of the Scandinavian-American Medical Society. In 1895 he moved to Minneapolis, where he became well-known for his work among asthma patients. He seems to have moved back to Norway in 1910 and d. in Bergen 29 March 1912 after a long illness. —E. Klaveness, *Norske Laeger i Amerika 1840-1942* (St. Paul, MN 1943), pp. 22-23; Meyer, *History*, p. 40.
- <sup>7</sup>Arvid Hjalmar Wimermark was b. in Uppsala, Sweden 28 March 1857, the s. of Claës Berndt Wimermark, apothecary, and Louise Elisabeth Lundberg. He first studied pharmacy in Sweden, then emigr. to America, where he worked as a pharmacist in Cambridge (?). He moved to Chicago, entered Rush Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1884. After practicing medicine for a short while he became superintendent of the Cook County institutions in Dunning in Chicago in 1891. He later became a medical inspector in the Chicago public schools. In 1899 he maintained an office at 63 Chicago Ave., and res. at 344 Center St. He d. in Chicago 7 May 1902. —A. Levertin, C.F.V. Schimmelpfennig and K.A. Ahlberg, *Sveriges apotekarhistoria från Konung Gustaf I:s till närvarande tid* (Stockholm 1910-1936), Vol. 1, pp. 358-359; *The Lakeside Annual Directory of the City of Chicago 1899* (Chicago 1899).
- <sup>8</sup>In 1912 William S. Johnson had his medical practice at 5332 Washington Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory, 1912*.
- <sup>9</sup>Anders Doe, originally Daae, was b. in Fjeld Parish in the Diocese of Bergen, Norway 27 Sept. (Strand has 27 Nov.) 1852, the s. of Jens Kobro Daae, later clergyman in Harham Parish in the same diocese, and a distant cousin, Nicoline Friis Daae. He received his medical degree at the University of Oslo (Kristiania) in 1878 and two years later he emigr. to America, settling in Chicago, where he began his medical practice. For almost half a century he served Chicagoans and in particular Chicagoans of Norwegian origin. Many a penniless Norwegian immigrant found help in Dr. Doe's office in his hour of need. He was active in many Norwegian-American organizations, and represented the Norwegian National League at the coronation of King Haakon VII and Queen Maud in 1906. Though a charter member of the Scandinavian-American Medical Society, he did not assume a leadership role, although he served as vice president in 1895. At the society's 25th anniversary he captured his audience with a poem, written in Norwegian and English, which sung by the celebrating members spoke about the work of a physician and the rapid advance of medical science during the 25 years of the society's history. In 1912 his office was located at 1203 Grand Ave. He was m. in Chicago 17 May 1890 to Ragnhild Blegen, with whom he had two children. He d. in Chicago 14 June 1924. —D. Thrap, *Bergens stifts biskoper og præster efter reformationen*, I-II (Kristiania 1895), II, p. 292; Klaveness, *Norske Laeger i Amerika*, p. 18; Birger Osland, *A Long Pull from Stavanger* (Northfield, MN 1945), pp. 14, 39, 59; Strand, *History of Norwegians*, p. 296; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>10</sup>Frederick Andreas Hess was b. in Bergen, Norway 22 May 1851, the s. of Jens Christian Hess and Anna Jensina Carlsen. As a youth he emigr. to America, arr. in Chicago 4 July 1863. In 1869 he entered Rush Medical College, graduating as an M.D. in 1873, after which he entered medical practice in Chicago. From 1873 to 1877 he served Cook County as a visiting physician and in 1874 he became assistant sanitary inspector of Chicago. He was president of the Scandinavian-American Medical Society for a time. He was m. in Chicago 15 Jan. 1882 to Emma E. Campbell, the dau. of William and Ellen Campbell, with whom he had two children—Frederick Andrew Hess, m. to Bessie Atwood and a dau. Anna Jensina. He maintained an office at 247 E. Division St. and res. at 949 Belle Plaine Ave. —Strand, *History of Norwegians*, p. 352.

- <sup>11</sup>Nils E. Remmen was b. in Warsaw (?) (should probably be Vasa), Goodhue Co., MN 6 May 1863, the s. of Endre T. Remmen and Thora N. Arnehaugen. Both parents had emigr. from Valdres in Norway. He attended Luther College in Decorah, IA before entering the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Chicago. He took a post-graduate course at the University of Vienna and also furthered his studies in Copenhagen before opening his practice in Chicago in 1887. In 1896 he decided to limit his practice to diseases of the eye. On 1 Jan. 1891 he m. Inga Kiland, the dau. of Gunder H. and Gunhild Torrison Kiland of Manitowoc, WI. In 1905 Remmen had his practice at 103 State St. and res. at 799 N. Leavitt. In 1920 he had moved his residence to 2954 Logan Blvd. —Strand, *History of Norwegians*, p. 458; *First Annual Norwegian-American Art Exhibit* by Chicago Norwegian Club, 19 Dec. 1920 (n.p., n.d.), p. 10.
- <sup>12</sup>Baltazar Meyer, one of the founders of the Society, and the author of its history, was of Norwegian birth. He had had his medical education in Norway and served for some time as district physician in Biri, Norway. He was m. to Lagertha Møller of Oslo. —Peer Strømme, *Erindringer* (Minneapolis, MN 1923), p. 241.
- <sup>13</sup>Probably Carl H. Andersen, who in 1910 had his medical practice at 1101 Masonic Temple. —*The Lakeside Directory 1910*.
- <sup>14</sup>William J. Anderson had his office at 2303 Milwaukee Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>15</sup>Peter Bassoe was b. in Drammen, Norway 18 May 1874, the s. of L.A. Bassøe, clergyman, and Marie Andersen. After a secondary education in Oslo (Kristiania) he came to the U.S. in 1893 and received his medical degree at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1897. He did graduate work in Europe in 1900-1901 and again in 1906. Most of his medical career was spent in the educational field. He early joined the staff of Rush Medical College, where he advanced through the ranks to become Clinical Professor of Neurology in 1924. He served the community of Chicago in many capacities and was on the Board of Directors of the Norwegian-American Hospital of Chicago. On 30 Nov. 1907 he m. Miriam Gardner of Pasadena, CA, with whom he had three daughters, Elsie, Esther and Lucy. In 1912 his office was located at 15 E. Washington Ave. and his residence at 2207 Colfax St. in Evanston, IL. —Osland, *Long Pull from Stavanger*, p. 191; John A. Hofstead, *American Educators of Norwegian Origin* (Minneapolis, MN 1931), p. 17; Albert Nelson Marquis, *The Book of Chicagoans* (Chicago 1911), p. 43; interview with William K. Beatty, Evanston, IL 4 Feb. 1986.
- <sup>16</sup>Emanuel O. Benson had his office at 5125 N. Clark St. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>17</sup>Ole Hansen Berg was b. in Tromsø, Norway 5 Dec. 1867, the s. of Jacob H.K. Berg, a revenue collector, and Marcelie Marie Buck. After his primary education in Norway, he emigr. to Chicago in 1883 at the age of 18. At first he studied pharmacy at Northwestern University and passed his examination in 1886 as a registered pharmacist. He decided, however, on a medical career, and while working as a pharmacist completed his medical education at the University of Illinois, graduating in 1896. He established himself as a general practitioner in Chicago, where in 1912 he had his office at 1101 California Ave. On 29 June 1900 he m. Aslaug Tigenschou, dau. of Eilert Tigenschou and Harriet Bruun. —Strand, *The History of Norwegians*, p. 277.
- <sup>18</sup>Charles E. Blomgren conducted his medical practice from his office at 914 Belmont Ave. He res. at 5400 Lakewood Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>19</sup>Olav Boehmer was located at 1304 W. Ohio St. —*Ibid*.
- <sup>20</sup>Klaveness mentions a Norwegian physician named Karl F. Borge, b. in Borge, Norway 21 May 1862, who finished his medical studies in Norway in 1890. The following spring he came to America. He settled in Sioux Falls, SD, where he d. 12 Dec. 1892, accidentally killed by carbon monoxide. He may be identical with C.F. Borge on the Society roster, but his year of admittance is there given as 1890, when according to Klaveness he still would have been in Norway. —Klaveness, *Norske laeger*, pp. 38-39.
- <sup>21</sup>Adolph H. Christensen's office was located at 654 Milwaukee Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1910*.
- <sup>22</sup>Peter Christian Clemensen was b. in Denmark 11 July 1873. He was graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1902. After graduation he served as consulting surgeon to the Cook County Hospital staff and was physician to the Danish Brotherhood of America. He was also a member of the Dania Society of Chicago from 1912 until his death. From 1912 to 1917 he was a member of the Chicago Board of Education and in 1921 he was special assistant to the Postmaster General. The following year he was awarded the Royal Order of the Dannebrog by H.M. King Christian X of Denmark. He was m. to Bodille Louise Clemensen and had two sons—Peter Christian, Jr., b. ca. 1912 and Charles Herbert, b. ca. 1915. Clemensen d. in Chicago 5 Jan. 1932. —Clark J. Herringshaw, *City Blue Book of Current Biography* (Chicago 1913), p. 91; Mose, *Dania*, p. 55; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*; Northwestern University Alumni Biographical Records, Evanston, IL.
- <sup>23</sup>Svenning Dahl was b. in St. Aistrup, Denmark 11 March 1857, the s. of Søren Dahl and Kristine Jonathansen. He enrolled in medical studies at the University of Copenhagen 1886-1888, but in the latter year he emigr. to the U.S. In Chicago he completed his studies at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, receiving his M.D. in 1890. He did post-graduate work in Berlin and Freiburg in Germany and also made a study tour of European hospitals in 1907-1908. He was president of the Scandinavian-American Medical Society 1909-1910. On 20 May 1894 he m. Anna Jensen of Copenhagen, who d. in 1906. On 17 Oct. 1908 he m. for the second time Lila Mosey of Leland, IL. He had his office at 2029 Ewing Pl. —Marquis, *Book of Chicagoans*, p. 173.

- <sup>24</sup>By 1912 John Ditlevsen was dead, but his widow, Anna Ditlevsen res. at 1920 N. Fairfield Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory* 1912.
- <sup>25</sup>Ferdinand Engelbrectson (sic!) had his office at 140 N. State St. and res. at the Illiois Athletic Club. —Ibid.
- <sup>26</sup>Harold Onsum Evensen was b. in Veblungnes in Romsdal, Norway 29 April 1868, the s. of Halvor Evensen and Hannah Ejde. After elementary and secondary education he enrolled in the medical school of the University of Oslo (Kristiania). In 1892 he emigr. to Chicago, where he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons and received his M.D. in 1894. He settled in Ottawa, IL, where he specialized in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. His post-graduate work included stays in Paris and Berlin as well as Chicago and New York. On 3 Jan. 1906 he m. Nellie Florence Nash. —Strand, *History of Norwegians*, p. 312.
- <sup>27</sup>Christian Fenger was b. at Brejninggaard in Brejninge Parish in the district of Ringkjöbing, Denmark 3 Nov. 1840, the s. of Hans Fritz Fenger, the owner of a large estate, and Frederikke Mathilde Fjelstrup from the district of Holstebro. He finished his medical studies in Denmark in 1867, after which he served with an ambulance unit in the Franco-Prussian War in 1871. He returned to Denmark, but seeing no future for him there, emigr. to Egypt, where he entered the state medical service. Illness forced him to seek a more temperate climate, and when an American officer from Bloomington, IL, who was on duty in Egypt, invited him to come to America, he emigr. there in 1877. He came to Chicago, where he immediately set up a medical practice. He soon found, however, that he was more interested in teaching and became a professor of surgery, first at the Northwestern University Medical School and later at Rush Medical College in affiliation with the University of Chicago. In 1895 he became vice president of the American Surgical Association. On 10 Aug. 1878 he m. Caroline Sophie Abildgaard, b. in Björnsrup, Taars Parish in the district of Hjørring in Jutland, Denmark 11 Sept. 1857, the dau. of Mads Christian Abildgaard and Ane Marie Larsen. The father-in-law had also emigr. and owned a farm in Clifton, IL. Two children were b. to the Fengers—Frederick A., and Augusta Maria. Christian Fenger received the Royal Order of the Dannebrog from H.M. King Christian IX on his 60th birthday in 1900. He d. in Chicago 7 March 1902. Fenger enjoyed a phenomenal reputation as a surgeon and pathologist, which went far beyond the city limits of Chicago. Patients and students from all parts of America sought his help and advice. He also was called upon to aid patients from many parts of the world. The city of Chicago honored the great doctor by naming one of its high schools for him. —Meyer, *History*, pp. 31-38; *Dansk biografisk leksikon*, I-XXVII (Copenhagen 1933-1944), VI, pp. 636-638; Mose, *Dania*, pp. 14-15; Salmonsens, *Brogede Minder*, pp. 97-100; William K. Beatty, "Christian Fenger—An Embodiment of Truth" in *Proceedings of the Institute of Medicine* (Chicago), Vol. 36, No. 1 Jan/March 1983.
- <sup>28</sup>Gustaf Fletwood's office was at 138 Oak St. —*The Lakeside Directory* 1899.
- <sup>29</sup>Anders Frick was b. in Malmö, Sweden 12 Jan. 1868, the s. of Otto Fredrik Frick, merchant, and Maria Jacobina Frick. After medical studies in Stockholm, he was granted a license to practice but emigr. to the U.S. almost immediately after his graduation, settling in Chicago, where he opened a medical practice. In 1903 he affiliated with the Augustana Hospital in Chicago, became chief of internal medicine and in 1925 he was made chief physician at the hospital. He m. the first time in Oslo, Norway 28 Aug. 1907 Ingeborg Gade; the second time 29 Dec. 1914 Lydia Mathilda Dahlström, b. in Stockholm 11 May 1888, the dau. of Johan Herman Dahlström and Amalia Johanna Fagerberg. Frick maintained an office at 317 W. Division St. as well as at 1311 La Salle St. —Carl and Ernst Frick, *Släkten Frick* (Malmö 1934), p. 681; Ernst W. Olson and Martin J. Engberg, *History of the Swedes in Illinois*, I-II (Chicago 1908), II, p. 341; *The Lakeside Directory* 1912.
- <sup>30</sup>George E. Frost had his medical practice at 4009 Elston Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory* 1912.
- <sup>31</sup>Cornelius Gundersen's practice was located at 2800 W. Diversey Ave. —Ibid.
- <sup>32</sup>He is possibly identical with Alfred Hakanson, who in 1909 had his offices at 100 State St. and 802 Wilson Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory* 1909.
- <sup>33</sup>Martin Hagan (sic!) was graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1904. He served as assistant professor of anatomy at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN, 1906-1908 and was for a time on the staff of the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital. He subsequently moved to Wichita, KS, where he d. 23 Aug. 1965. —Hofstead, *American Educators*, p. 75; Northwestern University Alumni Biographical Records.
- <sup>34</sup>Carl Martin Norman-Hansen was b. in Helsingør, Denmark 7 Jan. 1861, the s. of Johan Martin Hansen, a physician, and Anne Marie Carine Tauson. He completed his medical studies in Copenhagen and travelled to America in 1887. From 1890 to 1892 he was attached to the Illinois Eye Infirmary in Chicago, where he came in contact with the poorer classes of the city. He treated many, most of them without a fee. During this sojourn his first wife d. in Chicago 18 April 1891 and this may have induced him to return to Denmark, which he did the following year. He was busy from 1893 to 1905 with his own practice in Fredriksberg in Copenhagen as well as being the department head of one of the largest clinics in Copenhagen.
- Norman-Hansen was a restless soul, who also had the gift of being a writer. During his Chicago days he had been sending home articles to a Danish publication called *Illustreret Tidende*. In 1905 his yen to travel brought him to Finland, Russia, Iceland and Greenland. From these journeys he gathered material for his large literary production. He m. the first time Anna Kathrine Jensen, b. 18 Jan. 1862, the dau. of Johan Peder Jensen, a



- clergyman, and Charlotte Frederikke Lovise Bülow. After his return to Denmark he m. the second time 16 Oct. 1896 Anna Elisa Jacobaeus, b. in Faarevejele, Langeland 28 Dec. 1863, dau. Anton Holger Jacobaeus, estate manager, and Hanne Antonie Bay. His last post was as the physician on the island of Christiansø in the Baltic. —*Dansk biografisk leksikon*, XVII, pp. 252-253; Salmonsens, *Brogede Minder*, pp. 101-103.
- <sup>35</sup>Halvor C. Hanson was b. in Norway 16 Feb. 1881 and arr. in America at the age of two. He was graduated from Rush Medical College in 1903. From 1904 to 1939 he was on the staff of the Lutheran Deaconess Hospital in Chicago. He d. in Chicago 10 Dec. 1939. In June of that year he had been awarded the Royal Order of St. Olav by H. M. King Haakon VII of Norway. —*The Deaconess News of Chicago*, Jan.-Feb. 1940, p. 1.
- <sup>36</sup>J. W. Hanshus was b. in Mandal, Norway. He had an office in the same building as the Norwegian newspaper *Skandia* at 2218 North California Ave. —Information supplied by Josefa Hansen Andersen of Chicago 18 Feb. 1986.
- <sup>37</sup>Ludvig Hektoen was b. in Westby, WI 2 July 1863, the s. of Peter P. Hektoen and Olave Thoregaard. Both parents had emigr. from Tynset in Norway. Young Hektoen was graduated from Luther College in Decorah, IA in 1883 and from the University of Illinois in 1887. After his graduation he became a pathologist at Rush Medical College. From 1901 he served as professor and head of the Department of Pathology at the University of Chicago. He was a prolific writer and wrote numerous articles and books on immunology and on problems connected with infectious diseases. He founded and was for 36 years the editor of the *Journal of Infectious Diseases*. He also founded and was the editor of the *Archives of Pathology* and held this position for 25 years. He and Christian Fenger (see note 27 above) were probably the most illustrious members of the Society at the turn of the century. In 1911 Hektoen was honored by the University of Oslo (Kristiania), which awarded him a doctor's degree in medicine *honoris causa*. He married in Habo Parish (Skar.) in Sweden 7 July 1891 Ellen Elisabeth Strandh, b. in Bjurbäck Parish (Skar.) in 1865, the dau. of Isak Strandh, a clergyman, and Mathilda Ottiliana Hård af Torestorp. They had one son, Josef Ludvig, who later became an attorney in Chicago. Ludvig Hektoen d. in Chicago 5 July 1951. For a penetrating study of Hektoen's life and accomplishments see William Beatty's article cited below. —William K. Beatty, "Ludvig Hektoen—Scientist and Counselor" in *Proceedings of the Institute of Medicine* (Chicago), Vol. 35, No. 1, Jan./March 1982; *Who Was Who in America* (Chicago 1940), Vol III, p. 388; L.A. Cederbom and C.O. Friberg, *Skara stifts herdaminne*, 1-II (Stockholm 1928-1930), II, pp. 393-394; Marquis, *The Book of Chicagoans*, p. 318; Hofstead, *American Educators*, pp. 85-87.
- <sup>38</sup>Emil J. Høglund was graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1905. He was assistant orthopedic surgeon at the Home for Destitute Crippled Children in Chicago and was a member of the staff of Illinois Central Hospital. During World War I he served as a captain in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He d. in Oak Park, IL 27 Sept. 1945 at the age of 61 years. —Northwestern University Alumni Biographical Records.
- <sup>39</sup>Charles O. Hoiby (sic) had his practice at 2500 N. Kedzie Blvd. —*The Lakeside Directory*, 1912.
- <sup>40</sup>Edmond A. Holberg was graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1907. In World War I he served as a major in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He was on the staff of the Norwegian-American Hospital in Chicago, where he d. 4 Aug 1949 at the age of 66 years. —Northwestern University Alumni Biographical Records.
- <sup>41</sup>Anton Theodore Harris Holmboe was b. in Tromsø, Norway 1 Jan. 1857, the s. of Consul Conrad Holmboe. He was educated at the University of Oslo (Kristiania), where he took his degree in 1875. He continued with medical studies until 1881 when he emigr. to America. The following year he became mine surgeon for the West Republic Mine in Republic, MI. Here he stayed until 1886, the year he was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Chicago. For a few years he assisted the famed Christian Fenger but in 1889 he opened his own practice. On a journey to Europe in 1897 he m. 20 Dec. in Copenhagen Julie Opstad, a native of Norway. After post-graduate studies in Berlin, he returned to Chicago, where he continued his career by being on the staffs of several major hospitals. His two sons were Thorolf, b. in Berlin 30 Sept. 1898 and Erling, b. in Chicago 23 May 1901. —Strand, *History of Norwegians*, pp. 535-536.
- <sup>42</sup>Johan Hjalmer Jern was graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1904. He subsequently moved to West Duluth, MN. —Northwestern University Alumni Biographical Records.
- <sup>43</sup>Niels Johnsen, a Dane, came from Java to Chicago. —Salmonsens, *Brogede Minder*, p. 100.
- <sup>44</sup>J. Frank Johnson's office was located at 2757 and 3417 W. North Ave. —*Lakeside Directory* 1912.
- <sup>45</sup>Ludvig A. Kierulf (sic) was graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1893. In 1899 his practice was located at 2126 Indiana Ave. —*Northwestern University Bulletin*. Annual Catalogue of the Medical School (Chicago Medical School) 1909-1910 (Evanston and Chicago 1909), p. 94; *The Lakeside Directory* 1899.
- <sup>46</sup>Carl Ferdinand Klaus was b. in Stockholm, Sweden 23 May 1866. After his secondary schooling he was apprenticed to a merchant, but not liking this, he went to sea, going ashore in New York a year later. After completing work at Elmira Academy in 1887, he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Columbia University, where he received his M.D. in 1890. After short stints in Brooklyn and Milwaukee, he arr. in Chicago in 1891, where he set up his medical practice. On 7 Aug. 1901 he m. Adga Roberg of Stockholm, with whom he had one s., Rolf Ferdinand, b. 21 July 1902. He had his office at 2148 W. 22nd Street and res. at 2312 Marshall Blvd. —Olson and Engberg, *Swedes in Illinois*, II, p. 87.

- <sup>47</sup>Andreas Klovstad, in Norway Kløvstad, was b. in Oslo (Kristiania) 20 May 1866 and received his medical license in Dec. 1891. In 1896 he became district physician in the North Norway province of Finnmark. In May of 1902 he arr. in Chicago and liked it so well, he decided to remain and resigned from his Norwegian position. In Chicago he opened an office and served the staffs of the two Norwegian hospitals—the Tabitha Hospital and the Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital—as chief of their x-ray departments. In 1911 or 1912 he returned to Norway to accept a position as city physician of the community of Baerum on the outskirts of Oslo. He had been very active in the Society in Chicago, having served as secretary, treasurer and finally in 1910 as its president. In Chicago his office was located at 2757 W. North Ave. He res. at 1518 N. Kedzie Blvd. —Klaveness, *Norske laeger*, pp. 62-63; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>48</sup>Clarence A. Krogh's office was located at 2757 W. North Ave. He res. at 1638 Fairfield Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>49</sup>Probably identical with Erick N. Larson, who was located at 3633 Fullerton Ave. —*Ibid*.
- <sup>50</sup>Julius H. Lee had his practice at 2741 W. North Ave. and res. at 2455 N. Kedzie Blvd. —*Ibid*.
- <sup>51</sup>Cornelius L. Lenard practiced medicine at 2158 W. 20th St. —*Ibid*.
- <sup>52</sup>Ernest T. Lind had his office at 128 Oak St. —*The Lakeside Directory 1899*.
- <sup>53</sup>Albert Theodore Lundgren was b. in Woodhull, IL 5 Aug. 1877, the s. of S.J. and Ida Sophia Lundgren. After receiving his degree from Knox College in 1901, he entered Rush Medical College, where he received his M.D. in 1907. He established his medical practice in Chicago in partnership with Dr. Edward H. Ochsner. In 1912 he m. Beda Maria Munson of Vadstena, Sweden, with whom he had one dau. —Ernst W. Olson, *The Swedish Element in America* (Chicago 1917), p. 388.
- <sup>54</sup>Adolph Marinius Magnus was graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1911. He served on the staff of the Evangelical Deaconess Hospital in Chicago. He d. in Chicago 5 Oct. 1966. —Northwestern University Alumni Biographical Records.
- <sup>55</sup>Victor N. (also N. Victor) Mikkelsen had his practice at 2512 Logan Blvd. as well as at 2303 Milwaukee Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>56</sup>He could be identical with a Dr. Thor Möller, mentioned by Meyer. Thor Moller maintained two offices in Chicago, one at 1007 Masonic Temple and the other at 854 Seminary Ave. A Dr. Thomas Moller had his office at 852 Seminary Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1893*; Meyer, *History*, p. 68.
- <sup>57</sup>Carl Nielsen's office was located at 658 E. 43rd St. and he res. at the Drexel Arms Hotel. —*Ibid*.
- <sup>58</sup>Possibly identical with John E. Nordlund, who in 1893 had his office at 271 Milwaukee Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1893*.
- <sup>59</sup>Hugo Adalvard Oldenberg was b. in Hammar Parish (Öre.), Sweden, 27 (26) July 1868, the s. of Carl Cammilus Oldenburg (sic!), clergyman, and Johanna Maria Hertzman. After studies at the Royal Gymnastic Institute in Stockholm, from which he was graduated in 1893, he left for the U.S., settling in Chicago, where he set up his practice in medical gymnastics. Later he became affiliated with Rush Medical College as associate professor in therapeutics and kinesthesia. On 24 June 1899 he m. Maria Ohlson of Kristianstad, Sweden. —K.A. Hagström, *Strängnäs stifts herdaminne*, 1-11 (Strängnäs 1897-1899), II, pp. 466-467; Olson and Engberg, *History of the Swedes*, II, pp. 156-157; Olson, *The Swedish Element*, pp. 450-451.
- <sup>60</sup>Adolph H. Olsen was located at 1705 W. Madison Ave. and res. in Oak Park, IL. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>61</sup>Egil T. Olsen, medical examiner, had his office in Room 610, Chicago City Hall. He also maintained an office at 1958 Humboldt Blvd. His residence was next door at 1956 Humboldt. —*Ibid*.
- <sup>62</sup>Marie Albertine Olsen, was b. in Oslo (Kristiania), Norway and received her medical training at the Woman's Medical School at Northwestern University, where she received her M.D. in 1891. For several years she served on the staff of the Medical School as instructor in chest and throat diseases. After 1898 she established her own medical practice in Chicago and joined the staff of the Norwegian-American Hospital, where she was the only female on its Board of Trustees. She d. in Chicago 11 July 1944 at the age of 83 years. For many years she made her residence at 727 Buckingham Pl. —Hofstead, *American Educators*, p. 178; Osland, *Pull from Stavanger*, pp. 191, 234; *Chicago Tribune* (Chicago), 13 July 1944.
- <sup>63</sup>Martin J. Olsen had his practice at 3131 Logan Blvd. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>64</sup>Oscar Olsen maintained his office at 5557 N. Clark St. —*Ibid*.
- <sup>65</sup>Adolph B. Oyen was b. in Trondhjem, Norway 15 April 1857, the s. of Frederick Oyen and Anna Hofstad. He emigr. with his parents to the U.S. in 1861, arr. in Chicago that year. After his secondary education in Chicago he entered the Detroit College of Medicine, where he received his M.D. in 1890. In 1891 he opened his office in Chicago, also serving on the staffs of the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Hospital as well as the Tabitha Hospital, which later became the Norwegian-American Hospital. He maintained two offices, one at 1522 N. Rockwell, the other at 2816 Logan Blvd. The latter office he shared with his s. (see note 66 below). On 2 Aug. 1877 he m. in Battle Creek, MI Jennie A. Sprague, with whom he had the following children: Albert Nelson, who also became a physician, and Winifred Jane, who m. T. H. Holmes. —Marquis, *The Book of Chicagoans*, p. 520; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*.

<sup>66</sup>Albert Nelson Oyen was b. 9 Dec. 1878, the s. of Adolph Bernard Oyen (see note 65 above). He was on the staffs of both the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Hospital and the Norwegian-American Hospital. He practiced at 2513 N. Kedzie Blvd. and at 2816 Logan Blvd. —Herringshaw, *City Blue Book*, p. 260; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*.

<sup>67</sup>N. P. Pearson (Petersen in Denmark) was b. in Jutland and was graduated an M.D. from the University of Copenhagen. After a short sojourn in Paris, he arr. in the U.S. in 1856. Coming to Chicago soon thereafter, he established himself as a practicing physician, thus becoming the first and in time the oldest Danish doctor in Chicago. Unfortunately he had difficulties in getting along with people and was suspicious and jealous of the fame which came to two other Danish doctors—Christian Fenger and Sigmund Jacobson. Little is known of his subsequent life, but he was dead by the time the Society celebrated its 25th anniversary. —Meyer, *History*, p. 41; Salmonsens, *Brogede Minder*, pp. 100-101; Mose, *Dania*, p. 15.

<sup>68</sup>Theodore J. Peterson (sic!) maintained his medical practice at 3756 Fullerton Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.

<sup>69</sup>William A. Peterson was b. in the province of Småland in Sweden 23 Feb. 1867, but arr. as an infant with his parents to the U.S. the year after his birth. The family settled first in Swede Bend, IA, later to Lost Grove in Webster Co., IA. He studied first at Iowa State University in Ames, later at Augustana College in Rock Island, IL and then Bethany College in Lindsborg, KS, before entering the medical school of the University of Illinois, from which he was graduated an M.D. in 1897. He set up practice in Chicago, specializing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He maintained an office at 32 No. State St. On 20 June 1899 he m. and later became the father of two children. —Olson and Engberg, *History of the Swedes*, II, p. 124; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*.

<sup>70</sup>Niles (Nils) Theodore Quales (in Norway Kvale), was b. in Kinsarvik, Hardanger, Norway 17 Jan. 1831, the s. of Torgils Johnson Övrequale and Guri Torgilsdatter Tjøfæt. He went to Denmark, where he entered the Royal Veterinary College, graduating in 1856. On his return to Norway he was made district veterinary in western Norway, but his wish to emigrate to America was fulfilled in 1859 when he came to the U.S. He arr. in Chicago in July of that year. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted in Co. B of the First Illinois Artillery, stationed at Cairo, IL, but was soon put in charge of the veterinary hospital in Nashville, TN. At the end of the war he entered Rush Medical College in Chicago and was awarded the M.D. degree in 1866.

From 1868 to 1870 he served as city physician in Chicago. He was one of the founders of the Tabitha Hospital, later renamed the Norwegian-American Hospital, and in 1896 he was one of the founders of the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital. In 1910 King Haakon VII of Norway honored him for his many activities among Norwegian Americans by creating him a knight of the Royal Order of St. Olav. In 1894 he served as president of the Scandinavian-American Medical Society. In 1870 he m. Carrie L. Lawson, a sister of Victor F. Lawson, the publisher of the *Chicago Daily News*. He was the father of three children—Iver L., Martha Gurine and Nellie Ruth. —Klaveness, *Norske laeger*, p. 14-15; Strand, *History of the Norwegians*, pp. 453-455; Osland, *Pull from Stavanger*, p. 187; Marquis, *The Book of Chicagoans*, p. 554.

<sup>71</sup>J. Ring began studying medicine quite late in life and was graduated from Rush Medical College as an M.D. in 1888. Being independently wealthy, he practiced very little. —Meyer, *History*, p. 41.

<sup>72</sup>Ingeborg Rasmussen was b. in Bergen, Norway 10 April 1855 and arr. in the U.S. 1 May 1887. She was graduated an M.D. by the Northwestern University Woman's Medical School in 1892 and was on the staff of the school for ten years until 1902, when she joined the staff of Rush Medical College as instructor in obstetrics and gynecology. She established her private practice in 1892 and then joined the staff of Tabitha Hospital, later the Norwegian-American Hospital. She was a gifted person with the pen and began editing the "Woman's Page" in the Norwegian newspaper *Skandinaven* in 1911. She was the correspondent for various European newspapers and translated books and articles from French, German and the Scandinavian languages into English. She was a close friend of Jane Addams and for many years maintained a free clinic at Hull House. In 1924 she was given the Service Medal in gold by H. M. King Haakon VII of Norway. She d. 1 May 1938. —Hofstead, *American Educators*, p. 199; *Scandia* (Chicago) 5 May 1938.

<sup>73</sup>Halfdan Rassoeh had his office at 521 N. California Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1899*.

<sup>74</sup>Perhaps he is identical with Peter Augustus Reque, who was b. in New Lisbon, WI 14 June 1869, the s. of the Rev. Styrk S. Reque. He received his M.D. degree at the University of Vermont in 1896 and seems to have spent most of his active life on the East Coast. This fact marshals against the possibility that he was a member of the Society. The Reque family was quite large with several members being physicians in the Middle West. —Hofstead, *American Educators*, pp. 200-201.

- <sup>75</sup>Charles F. Roan was b. in Schleswig Holstein, Germany (formerly a part of Denmark) ca. 1866 and d. in Chicago 15 Feb. 1926 and is buried in Rosehill Cemetery in that city. He emigr. to America from Denmark, first to Iowa and then to Chicago, where he was on the staff of the Norwegian-American Hospital from 1894 to 1924. He was m. to Anna Marie Roan, who d. in Chicago 25 Nov. 1949 at the age of 86 years. He had two children—Charles F., Jr., b. ca. 1899 and d. in Chicago 12 Oct. 1940 and Mildred C., b. ca. 1894 and d. in Chicago 27 July 1953. —Rosehill Cemetery (Chicago, IL) Records; interview 18 Feb. 1986 with Mrs. Charles F. Roan, III of Lake Geneva, IL, whose husband was a grandson of Charles F. Roan.
- <sup>76</sup>Oscar Theodore Roberg was b. in Chicago in 1876, the s. of Oscar B. Roberg, one of the publishers of the religious Swedish weekly newspaper *Missions-Wännen*. He was graduated from Rush Medical College in 1899, after which he served as a house physician and surgeon at the Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago. In 1902 he became surgeon-in-chief of the Swedish Covenant Hospital in Chicago. —Olson, *The Swedish Element*, pp. 531-532.
- <sup>77</sup>Thor Christian Rothstein was b. in Kristianstad, Sweden 20 Oct. 1864, the s. of Carl Christian Rothstein, clergyman, and Anna Maria Andersson. After medical studies at Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, he was graduated and received his medical license in 1897. Almost immediately he emigr. to America, settling in Minneapolis as a physician in the same year. He did not remain long in Minnesota, but moved to Chicago, where he set up a successful medical practice. In 1901 he m. Anna Hedvig Engström, b. in Västervik, Sweden in 1862. —Carl Sjöström, *Skånska nationen 1833-1889* (Lund 1904), pp. 31, 433; A.J. Bruzelius, *Svensk läkare-matrikel* (Stockholm 1886-1901), IV, Supplement, pp. 379-380.
- <sup>78</sup>Helga Mariane Ruud was b. in Kongsberg, Norway 28 Dec. 1860, the dau. of Nils and Birgithe Ruud. She arr. in the U.S. 4 July 1878 in response to an advertisement which had appeared in her hometown newspaper seeking a governess for a young lady in Iowa. She did not appreciate the experience and decided to return to Norway, when she received a letter from her mother asking her to stay long enough in the U.S. to learn English. She remained for the rest of her life. She was graduated from the Woman's Medical College of Chicago in 1889 (which in 1892 became a part of Northwestern University), joining the staff of the school after her graduation as a clinical associate professor of obstetrics. In 1892 she established her own practice and in 1896 she joined the staff of the Tabitha Hospital, later the Norwegian-American Hospital, where she remained until she retired in 1943. She specialized in obstetrics and gynecology for 54 years in Chicago, but also found time to teach classes for future nurses. She lectured widely to nurses' organizations, women's groups and fraternal societies on a number of medical and semi-medical topics. When she was 92 years old, it was reported that she had finished a manuscript of a book on the history of women in medicine in Illinois. No trace has been found of such manuscript. She d. 29 Jan. 1956 at the age of 95 years. —Hofstead, *American Educators*, p. 212; *Chicago Sun-Times*, 31 Jan. 1956; *The Chicago Tribune*, 31 Jan. 1956; Strand, *The History of Norwegians*, p. 540.
- <sup>79</sup>Karl Ferdinand Marius Sandberg was b. at Gaustad in Vestre Aker 15 May (Klaveness has 15 Sept.) 1855, the s. of Ole Rømer Aagaard Sandberg, an eminent Norwegian doctor and leading authority on mental diseases, and Johanne Emilie Barth. He pursued medical studies at the University of Oslo (Kristiania), graduating in 1881 with the degree of M.D. After a short tour with Norwegian hospitals he emigr. 1882 and settled in Chicago, where he established a very successful practice as an obstetrician and gynecologist. He was active in the organization of the Tabitha Hospital, later the Norwegian-American Hospital, whose surgeon-in-chief he became. He m. the first time 25 July 1885 Inga Gurine Stensland, b. in Stavanger 19 Sept. 1867, the dau. of Paul O. Stensland, banker, and Karen Ejde. This marriage ended in divorce and Sandberg m. for the second time 5 Nov. 1916 Emelia Petronelle Pedersen, b. 8 Dec. 1881, dau. of Bengt Pedersen, farmer, and Anna Norgard. In 1892 he served as president of the Scandinavian-American Medical Society. His office was located at 682 N. California Ave. He d. in Chicago 4 June 1949. —Sverre and Johannes Sandberg, *Slekten Sandberg* (Oslo 1960), pp. 141, 153-155; Klaveness, *Norske laeger*, pp. 23-24; Marquis, *The Book of Chicagoans*, p. 592; Hofstead, *American Educators*, p. 215; Strand, *The History of Norwegians*, pp. 471-472.
- <sup>80</sup>Robert K. Sarheim (sic!) maintained an office at 3407½ W. North Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>81</sup>William Edward Schroeder was b. in Cook Co., IL 25 Dec. 1867, the s. of Martin and Elizabeth Schroeder. He was graduated from the Northwestern University Medical School in 1891. In 1906 he was appointed professor of surgery and clinical surgery at Northwestern. He also served on the Library Committee and on the Committee on Advanced Standing. During World War I he held the rank of captain in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He had his office at 31 N. State St. and res. at 5476 Ellis Ave. —Herringshaw, *City Blue Book*, p. 299; Marquis, *The Book of Chicagoans*, p. 600; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*; *Northwestern University Bulletin 1909-1910*, pp. 6, 11; Northwestern University Alumni Biographical Records.

- <sup>82</sup>Valborg Sogn was b. in Norway in 1858. She received her M.D. degree at the Northwestern University Woman's Medical School in 1895, after which she was appointed assistant professor of gynecology at the school. In 1899 she opened her private practice in Chicago. She soon returned to Norway, where she received her M.D. degree from the University of Oslo (Kristiania) and settled down in the capital city for some time. She d. in Oslo (Kristiania) in 1916. —Hofstead, *American Educators*, p. 225.
- <sup>83</sup>Isak Martin Strandh was b. in Habo Parish (Skar.) in 1869, the s. of Isak Strandh, clergyman, and Mathilda Ottiliana Hård af Torestorp and a brother of Ludvig Hektoen's wife (see note 37 above). He settled in Chicago, where he set up a medical practice. —Cederbom and Friberg, *Skara stifts herdaminne*, II, pp. 393-394.
- <sup>84</sup>Karl L. Thorsgaard maintained two offices—one at 122 S. Michigan Ave. and the other at 636 Wellington Ave. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>85</sup>Osvald Georg Edvard Toll was b. in the city of Helsingborg, Sweden 20 May 1864, the s. of Johan Ludvig Toll (the family did not use the preposition *von* as a part of the name), major general in the Swedish Army and a member of the Swedish Parliament (*Riksdag*), and Mathilda Maria Aurora Charlotta Ouchterlony. He emigr. to the U.S. in 1890 and after pre-medical studies received his M.D. degree from the St. Louis College of Physicians and Surgeons. After his graduation he worked for a time at the Lake Geneva, WI Sanatorium, before coming to Chicago, where he began his medical practice. He also served on the staff of the medical department of the University of Chicago. On 1 July 1906 he m. Bertha Hagen, who was b. in Germany, and with whom he had one dau. —Olson, *The Swedish Element*, pp. 435-436; Gustaf Elgenstierna, *Den introducerade svenska adelns ättartavlor*, I-IX (Stockholm 1925-1936), VIII, p. 316.
- <sup>86</sup>George Abraham Torrison was b. in Manitowoc, WI 3 March 1865, the s. of Osuld Torrison and Martha Findal. After receiving his degree at Luther College in Decorah, IA, he went to New York, entering the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Columbia University, from which he received his M.D. degree in 1889. Post-graduate work in Vienna followed in 1889-1900 and 1893-1894. He began practicing medicine in Chicago in 1891 and from 1895 specializing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He was on the staff of the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital and served on the board of the Norwegian-American Hospital, being president one year. On 5 Jan. 1898 he m. Emma Irene Johnson, dau. of Louis and Martha Johnson, with whom he had two children—Martha Findal and Agnes Ivanda. His office was located at 31 N. State St. —Strand, *The History of Norwegians*, p. 504; Marquis, *The Book of Chicagoans*, p. 675; Hofstead, *American Educators*, p. 249; Strømme, *Erindringer*, p. 40.
- <sup>87</sup>Magnus Unseth had his office at 4056 N. 51st Street. —*The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>88</sup>Jacob Larsen Urheim (sic!) was b. in Ullensvang, Hardanger, Norway 24 April 1855, the s. of Lars J. Urheim and Helga L. Lofthus. He came to America in 1876, first going to Minnesota, where he worked as a druggist. He then came to Chicago, entered Bennett Medical School and was graduated in 1891. From 1900 to 1905 he was the attending physician at Cook County Hospital. He opened private practice but also taught as a professor at Bennett Medical School. On 20 March 1881 he m. Tilda Laugen, dau. of Ole Laugen of Houston, MN. She d. 12 Dec. 1891, leaving two children—Olaf (see note 89 below) and Alice Henriette, b. 5 March 1889. On 23 April 1893 Urheim m. for the second time Lena Williams, the dau. of Viking Williams of Lee, IL. His office was located at 2839 W. Division St. —Strand, *The History of the Norwegians*, p. 510; *The Lakeside Directory 1912*.
- <sup>89</sup>Olaf Urheim (sic!) was b. 20 Nov. 1883, the s. of Jacob Larsen Urheim (see note 88 above). He was graduated from Bennett Medical School in 1906 and soon joined his father in medical practice. They shared an office at 2839 W. Division St. —Strand, *The History of the Norwegians*, p. 510; *Skandinaven* (Chicago), 24 Oct. 1920, p. 10.
- <sup>90</sup>Axel Werelius was a native of the province of Blekinge in Sweden. He came to America and received his medical training at the Chicago College of Physicians and Surgeons. He wrote a number of articles in medical journals. —Olson, *The Swedish Element*, p. 205.
- <sup>91</sup>Hjalmar Robert Maurtiz Wästfelt was b. in Maricstad, Sweden 1 June 1852, the s. of Gustaf Vilhelm Wästfelt, postmaster in the town of Medevi, and Baroness Emerentia Gustava Charlotta von Knorring. He studied for a time at the Agricultural Institute in Ultuna, from which institution he was graduated in 1879. He subsequently emigr. to Chicago, where he became a practicing physician. He d. in Chicago 18 Aug. 1907. —Elgenstierna, *Svenska adelns ättartavlor*, IX, p. 112.
- <sup>92</sup>He may be identical with O.E. Wald, a physician and surgeon, who maintained his offices at 1744 and 3616 N. Clark St. —*The Lakeside Directory 1908*.
- <sup>93</sup>Thomas Warloe, an obstetrician and gynecologist, had his office at 3608 N. Harding Ave. —*Skandinaven* (Chicago), 24 Oct. 1920, p. 10.