Title: Ivan M. Woolley Papers

Collection Number: 2002-004

Overview of the Collection

Dates: 1877-1979, bulk 1924-1968

Extent: 4 boxes 3.29 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English

Name of creators: Ivan M. Woolley

Administrative/Biographical History:
Dr. Ivan M. Woolley was born in Roseburg, Oregon, on October 23, 1893. He moved to Portland in 1905. He went to Washington High School and took pre-med classes at Oregon Agriculture College, now Oregon State University. He attended medical school at the University of Oregon Medical School across from Good Samaritan Hospital and graduated in 1919. His class was the last to graduate before the school burned down. To earn money while in school, he became the driver of a seven-passenger Pierce Arrow touring car on old Mt. Hood road to Government Camp. He was one of the first drivers to the mountain. Years later, he wrote, Off to Mt. Hood: An Auto-Biography of the Old Road, in 1959. He also worked as a medical officer at the police station during World War I. He interned at Anchor Hospital in St. Paul, Minnesota, then returned to Portland. He was licensed in Oregon in 1920.

For ten years he practiced general medicine, then in 1930 he went to the University of Michigan Medical School where he studied radiology. He practiced x-ray medicine the rest of his life, having an office in the Medical Arts Building, becoming Portland’s leader in the field until he retired in December of 1962. Dr. Woolley also worked and taught, sometimes, at the Portland Free Dispensary. In 1923 he joined the Multnomah County Medical Society. At his death he was the Society’s historian. Before he retired in 1962, Dr. Ivan M. Woolley had been president and staff member at Emanuel Hospital and Portland Sanitarium and staff member at Holliday Park Hospital. He was also a faculty member at the University of Oregon Medical School. He was a founder and president of the Oregon Radiological Society and the Pacific Northwest Radiological Society. He became vice-president of the American College of Radiology.
and the Radiological Society of North America. He also became president of the Oregon Medical Association, Multnomah County Medical Society and University of Oregon Medical School Alumni Association. He was also busy with civic activities and served on the board of Albertina Homes, the staff of White Shield Home and was a president of Columbia Edgewater Country Club. He held membership in Rotary, Aero Club and the Oregon Historical Society as well as being a founding member of the early KGW radio show “The Hoot Owls.” Before his death, he wrote a second book, Roentgenology in Oregon – The First Fifty Years, in 1954.

Dr. Ivan M. Woolley died of a heart attack on Friday December 29, 1967, while visiting in Claremont, California. He was 74.

Medical Practice
Staff member at Emanuel Hospital
Staff member at Portland Sanitarium
Staff member at Holiday Park Hospital
Faculty member at the University of Oregon Medical School
Board member of Albertina Homes
Staff member of White Shield Home
1920 – 1930 general medicine practiced in Portland, Oregon
Radiology in the Medical Arts Building until 1962

Memberships
Multnomah County Medical Society
Oregon Radiological Society
Pacific Northwest Radiological Society
American College of Radiology
Radiological Society of North America
Oregon Medical Association
Multnomah County Medical Society
University of Oregon Medical School Alumni Association
Columbia Edgewater Country Club
Rotary Club
Aero Club
Oregon Historical Society

Publications
Roentgenology in Oregon – The First Fifty Years, 1954.
Off to Mt. Hood: An Auto-Biography of the Old Road, 1959

Scope and Content Description:
Collection includes correspondence, news clippings, ledgers, photographs, plaques, textbooks, and one phone shoulder rest.

Arrangement:
Arranged largely by type.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION:
Acquisition Information
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NOTES
None

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Woolley, Ivan M.
University of Oregon. Medical School
Radiology—Oregon

Detailed Description of the Collection
Box 1

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Biography
Items from an envelope addressed to Dr. And Mrs. Ivan M. Woolley from Bassengton, Illinois [sender not identified]
News clipping and photo
Correspondence from Board of medical Examiners, information on Dr. Woolley test scores
Publication, “Mount Rushmore, National Memorial, South Dakota”
National Geographic Society map of Alaska
(2) Postcards of old cars

Items from envelope addressed to Ivan M. Woolley from MCMS, Portland, Oregon, 1966 March 17
Correspondence from
Oregon Medical Association
Multnomah County Medical Society
University of Oregon Medical School Library
Multnomah County Medical Society about the history of the Medical School
Appoint to the committee on Oregon Medical History
Dr. Woolley to Dr. Irving about the history of Multnomah county Medical Society
Herman A. Dickel
(2) from Children’s Clinic
Collie F. Cathey

Items from an envelope addressed to Dr. And Mrs. Ivan M. Woolley from Bassengton, Illinois [sender not identified]

Several copies of one letter [with some variations] from Dr. Woolley addressed to many different people about the history of the County Medical Society
Physician’s handbook 4th edition
List of names plus two drafts of a letter
Two copies of “Emanuel Progress,” vol. 8 no. 2, 3; 1968.
Annual report for Resurrection Hospital, 1965

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Certificate for Fellow of the Academy International of Medicine
Publication, “The Medical Aspects of the Lewis and Clark Expedition,” signed and addressed as a gift to Dr. Woolley
Correspondence from Herman A. Dickel, Multnomah County Medical Society

Box 2
Plaque from Multnomah County Medical Society, 1954
Plaque from Alumni Association of University of Oregon Medical School
Leather notebook ledger with paper pad
Physician’s visiting list in book form, 1924
Many photographs of medical school students, some identified, many copies, contains
photograph of young Ivan M. Woolley, 1918

**Box 3**
4 ledger books
1 old style phone shoulder rest
Unidentified item

**Box 4**
(Items contained in this box are text books)

Piersol, George A. *Human Anatomy including Structure and Development and Practical Considerations*, vol. 1; 1906-07.
Piersol, George A. *Human Anatomy including Structure and Development and Practical Considerations*, vol. 2; 1906-07.