

# William Lee Hudson collection, 1916-1978

## Collection Overview

**Title:** William Lee Hudson collection, 1916-1978

**Dates:** 1916-1978

**Extent:** 2.1 linear feet (2 boxes)

**Creator/Collector:** William Lee Hudson and family

**Source of Acquisition:** This collection was donated by the heirs of William Lee Hudson.

**Repository:** UT Southwestern Archives and Special Collections  
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**Related Materials:** Other materials on William Lee Hudson are located below.

1. [\*Surgery: The First 50 Years: A History of the Department of Surgery, University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and Parkland Memorial Hospital / by Ronald f. Garvey.\*](#)

**Separated Material:** A medal from the Dallas County Medical Society and surgical instruments of Dr. Hudson's are housed separately from the collection with the medical artifacts. The instruments include 6 scissors and 4 probes.

**Arrangement:** This collection is arranged by material type and then alphabetically by folder. Oversized material is organized in an oversized box by material type and then alphabetically by folder.

**Biographical/Historical:** William Lee Hudson (1892-1961) was born in Belton, Texas and

received his M.D. degree at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston in 1916. He was Chief of Surgery at Parkland Hospital from 1923 to 1949 and a Clinical Professor of Surgery in the early years of Southwestern Medical School. In 1973, the “Dr. Lee Hudson—Robert R. Penn Chair in Surgery” was endowed by his widow and sister-in-law at Southwestern Medical School. Also endowed was a “Hudson-Penn Prize in Surgery” for senior medical students. Dr. Hudson’s portrait hangs in the Department of Surgery at UT Southwestern. An essay describing his life and work is found in the book *Surgery: The First 50 Years: A History of the Department of Surgery, University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and Parkland Memorial Hospital* by Ronald F. Garvey.

**Scope and Contents:** The collection consists of a variety of materials by, about or owned by William Lee Hudson from 1916-1978. Records include correspondence, news clippings, photographs, certificates, diplomas, licenses, and some records related to Dr. Hudson’s membership in medical societies. The personal correspondence includes letters regarding Dr. Hudson’s oil interests, insurance, and the hiring of Dr. Carl Moyer at Parkland.

## Box and Folder List

### Box 1

- Folder 1: Article: Dallas County Medical Society president, *The Dallas Medical Journal*, 1938
- Folder 2: Article: “Staphylococcus Infections of the Face and Lips,” *Texas State Journal of Medicine*, 1926
- Folder 3: Booklet: “A Mighty Fortress,” Southwestern Medical Foundation, no date
- Folder 4: Correspondence: Personal, 1943-1961, no date (gaps in years)
- Folder 5: Correspondence: Southwestern Medical College and the Medical Advisory Council, Dallas County Hospital district, 1923, 1945-1959
- Folder 6: Correspondence: Southwestern Medical Foundation, 1954-1956
- Folder 7: Correspondence: Texas Surgical Society membership, 1926
- Folder 8: Correspondence, News Clippings: Memorial Gifts and Endowed Chair, 1961, 1973, 1978
- Folder 9: Correspondence, Publications: Carl Moyer, 1951-1952, no date
- Folder 10: Medal, Dallas County Medical Society, no date
- Folder 11: News Clippings, 1934-1948
- Folder 12: News Clippings, 1934-1948
- Folder 13: Obituaries, 1961-1962
- Folder 14: Photographs, 1938, 1940, 1960
- Folder 15: Program: “Honoring Bryce L. Twitty,” 1939
- Folder 16: Program: Texas Surgical Society Meeting, 1941

### Box 2: Oversize

- Folder 1: Appointment to Officer Reserve Corps, US Army, 1918
- Folder 2: Certificate: Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society membership, 1950
- Folder 3: Diploma: Doctor of Medicine, University of Texas, 1916

Folder 4: License: Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, 1916  
Folder 5: Photographs, circa 1916-1920, 1944