

Subject: CHINESE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

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Kunming, the provincial capital of Yunnan Province, now the hub of activities in southwestern China, has been chosen by the Chinese Medical Association as the place for holding its next Annual Conference scheduled to convene on April 2, 1940. The Conference will be held in the new "Kun Hua" provincial government hospital at King Pi Park, Kunming, and its sessions will extend until April 5.

The Preparatory Conference Committee in Kunming at its first meeting on December 6, 1939, made the following decisions and appointments:

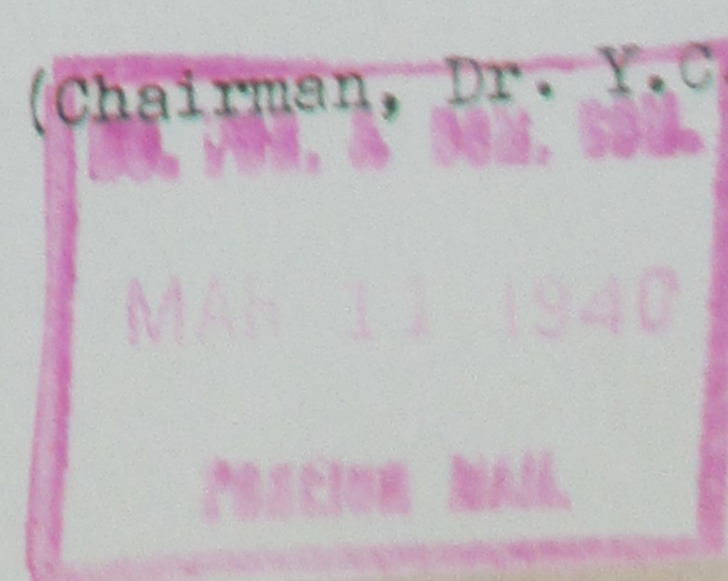
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Accommodation: Free dormitory accommodation for a limited number of delegates will be available at the Yunnan Provincial University at Kunming. Special discounts may be obtained at certain hotels for registered conference members.

Representative Assembly: The business meetings will be held on the day preceding the Conference, when the Representative Assembly has been called for 9 a.m. on Monday, April 1. Local branches will be nominating their representatives for this assembly and any business which members wish to bring up should be submitted through their local branches.

Program: Owing to the present emergency conditions, the usual scientific section meetings will not be held. Instead, there will be general sessions as follows:

April 2--"Medical Relief" (Chairman, Dr. C.T.Loo)
April 3--"Medical Relief" (Chairman, Dr. C.T.Loo)
April 4--"Public Health" (Chairman, Dr. P.Z.King)
April 5--"Medical Education" (Chairman, Dr. Y.C.Wang)



Exhibits:

Space has been reserved for a Medical Exhibition where all firms, dealing in medical and pharmaceutical products, may display their latest products. All communications regarding exhibition space and booths should be addressed to the Kunming Office, Chinese Medical Association, King Pi Park, Kunming.

Registration:

The conference registration fee is Yuan 10. Remittances should be made by crossed check or order payable to the Chinese Medical Association; registration fees are not returnable.

Conference Officers:

Honorary President: Governor Lung Yun

Honorary Vice-President: Mayor Pei

Standing Committee: K. Y. Chin, Chairman
A. C. Miao, Vice-Chairman
H. P. Chu, Secretary

Entertainment Committee: A. C. Miao, Chairman

Accommodation Committee: P. C. Fan, Chairman

Publicity Committee: F. F. Tang, Chairman

Program Committee: T. F. Huang, Chairman

The Chinese Medical Association, as such, came into existence in 1932 with the amalgamation of the two leading medical bodies in China, -namely, the China Medical (Missionary) Association, and the National Medical Association of China. The former had been founded 45 years, previously, while the latter had had a history of 17 years. Its membership has risen steadily since 1932, to the present total of nearly 3000, of whom 60% are Chinese, but among whom almost every nationality is represented.

Its objects are:

- (1) To federate and bring into one compact organization duly qualified and scientifically trained physicians,
- (2) To extend medical knowledge and advance medical science,
- (3) To uphold the stands of medical education,

- (4) To maintain the high ethical standards of the medical profession, to safeguard its various interests and to promote friendly relations among its members,
- (5) To cooperate with other medical societies or agencies in the attainment of the above objects.

Its headquarters are situated at 41 Tszepang Road, Shanghai, China. The Association Building has become a medical center in itself; some 16 organizations now having offices in the building. Branches are maintained in Kunming, Kweiyang, Chengtu, Peiping, and other interior cities. It maintains a library and museum, and publishes two monthly journals, one in Chinese (The National Medical Journal) and the other in English known as The Chinese Medical Journal.

The following scientific societies are Sections of the Association, uniting in their membership qualified specialists in the respective subjects:

- Chinese Dermatology Society
- Chinese Hospital Society
- Chinese Society of Internal Medicine
- Chinese Medical History Society
- Chinese Society of Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Chinese Pediatrics Society
- Chinese Public Health Society
- Chinese Ophthalmology Society
- Chinese Otolaryngology Society
- Chinese Radiology Society
- Chinese Surgical Society
- Chinese Tuberculosis Society
- Chinese Urology Society

The holding of its next Annual Conference in April, 1940 at Kunming, the capital of Yunnan Province in South West China, is significant of the close relationship which the Association has with the problems of the nation. Extensive public health programs are being sponsored in that region by the National Health Administration, the Yunnan Provincial Health Department, the Yunnan Anti-Coitre Association and the Anti-Malaria Commission, and others.

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