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Finding Aid To

THE RECORDS OF THE CYTOLOGY LABORATORY, CORNELL UNIVERSITY MEDICAL COLLEGE

Dates of Records: 1947-1971

12.5 Linear Inches (3 Boxes)

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PROVENANCE:

Ellen Reiches, Chief Technician of the Cytology Laboratory donated these records in 10/1985.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Charlotte Street was born in 1909. She received a B. S. from Elmira College in Elmira, N. Y. in 1931. She received additional training in medical technology at Brooks Hospital in Brookline, MA in 1931-1932. In 1934, she joined the staff of the Department of Anatomy at Cornell University Medical College where she worked with Dr. Papanicolaou on his research on cytological method of cancer diagnosis and his research that led to the development of the Pap Smear. She assisted in the development of staining and other technical procedures for Exfoliative Cytology. In 1947, she was the teaching supervisor of cytology training in Exfoliative Cytology conducted at the Papanicolaou Cytology Laboratory. In 1955, she was the teaching assistant at the Department of Pathology. In 1962, she was the supervisor of the Cytology Laboratory until her retirement in 1974. She died on June 21, 1985.

The Papanicolaou Cytology Laboratory began in the Department of Anatomy where Dr. Papanicolaou conducted his research on cytologic methods of diagnosing cancer and his work that led to the development of the Pap Smear. In 1947, Dr. Papanicolaou established a cytology technicians training program in Exfoliative Cytology in the laboratory. When Dr. Papanicolaou retired in 1962, the laboratory was transferred to the New York Hospital and resided on the 22nd floor of the main hospital building. Dr. John Seybolt was the director of the laboratory.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

Although the records came from the Cytology Laboratory, the bulk of the records are papers belonging to Charlotte Street. The records have been divided into two series: Speeches and Reprints (1948-1970) and Miscellaneous (1947-1971).

Series I: Speeches and Reprints, 1948-1970 (Boxes 1-2)

The bulk of the speeches and reprints are by Charlotte Street. A few programs represent the professional activities of Dr. George Papanicolaou and John Seybolt.

Series II: Miscellaneous, 1947-1971 (Boxes 2-3)

This series, arranged alphabetically, contains miscellaneous materials regarding the Cytology Laboratory.

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:

The collection is open to research.

RELATED MATERIAL:

George Papanicolaou, MD Papers

BOX AND FOLDER LIST:

Box 1: Series I, Speeches and Reprints, 1948-1970

| Folder: | Description: |
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| 1 | Accuracy in Cytologic Diagnosis of Cancer, n.d. |
| 2 | American Cancer Society, Conference Programs (Papanicolaou), 1948-1954 |
| 3 | American Society of Clinical Pathologists (Papanicolaou Exhibit), 1948 |
| 4 | American Society of Cytology, Conference Programs Papanicolaou/Seybolt/Street), 1962-1966 |
| 5 | American Society of Medical Technologists (Street), 1949 |
| 6 | American Society of Medical Technologists (Street), 1953 |
| 7 | Brooklyn Hospital Lecture (Street), 1962 |
| 8 | Conference on Comparative Medicine, Michigan State (Street), 1960 |
| 9 | Course Lecture Notes, n.d. |
| 10 | Cowdry Article (Street), 1951 |
| 11 | Cowdry Article Revised (Street), 1961, 1964 |
| 12 | C. W. Post College Lecture (Street), 1968 |
| 13 | Empire State Society of Medical Technicians (Street), 1949-1955 |
| 14 | Gary, Elizabeth Paper on "Detection of Cancer by Exfoliative Cytology," |
| 15 | Inter -Society Cytology Council, Conference Programs (Papanicolaou/Seybolt/Street), 1953-1960 |
| 16 | Mass. Association of Medical Technicians (Street), 1961-1962 |
| 17 | New York Academy of Sciences (Foot), 1955 |
| 18 | New York Life Insurance, Ad for Medical Technologists (Street), 1966- 1970 |
| 19 | New Orleans (Louisiana State University Medical Center) (Street), 1968 |
| 20 | Penn Society of Medical Technicians, S. E. Chapter (Street), 1953 |
| 21 | Penn Society of Medical Technicians, S. E. Chapter (Street), 1960 |

| Box 2: | Series I, Speeches and Reprints, 1948-1970 |
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| Folder: | Description: |
| 1 2 3 | Speeches (Street?), n.d. Technician Manual, 1953 Technician Manual, 1955 |
| Box 2: | Series II, Miscellaneous, 1947-1971 |
| Folder: | Description: |
| 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 | Advisory Cytotech Committee of the American Society of Cytology, (Street), 1964-1968 American Society of Cytology, Membership Regulations, 1958 Ayre, J. Ernest, 1959 Chicago Workshop (Street), 1971 Dade County Cancer Institute (Street), 1950-1951 Foot, N. Chandler, 1958-1959 Handbook for the "Diagnosis of Cancer of the Uterus by the Use of Vaginal Smears," 1947 |
| Box 3: | Series II, Miscellaneous, 1947-1971 |
| Folder: | Description: |
| 1 | Inter-Society Cytology Council, Cytology Technician Committee (Street) 1957-1962 |
| 2 3 4 5 6 7 | International Congress of Surgery, Buenos Aires, 1950 Manuscript by Sister Mary Norbert, n.d. Metropolitan Society of Medical Technicians, 1957 Street, Charlotte, Notebook, n.d. Old Smear Reports, 1955-1957 |
| | "On A New and Successful Mode of Treating Certain Forms of Cancer |