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## Guild Notes

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feeble-mindedness in the case of those families, and the surprisingly omniscient way in which the field workers pass judgment on the dead as well as the quick, as to mentality, morals, disease, and disposition. Personally I find it hard to evaluate individuals after a close study and after a long acquaintance with mental and physical diseases." Page 123.

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**THE MANHATTAN GUILD**—The Manhattan Guild held an interesting meeting on May 22, 1934. Doctor William M. Ford, Chief of Gynecology, St. Vincent's Hospital, N. Y., delivered an interesting paper entitled, "Surgical and Ethical Aspects of Disputed Operations." Father Ignatius W. Cox, S. J., answered the ethical questions raised by Doctor Ford. He particularly called attention to the necessity of all doctors acquainting themselves with the book of the Reverend Father Bouscaren, S. J., Professor at Mundelein Seminary, Chicago, on "The Ethics of Ectopic Operations." It was a lively meeting, for some of the doctors present included Doctor Frederick W. Rice, formerly professor of Obstetrics at New York University and Bellevue Medical College held that the opinion of Doctor Bouscaren was altogether too liberal.

**THE BRONX GUILD**—On Sunday, May 27th, the Bronx Guild had a Communion Breakfast at Fordham University. The Reverend Francis G. Power, S. J., delivered an illuminating address on "The Church and Science." The Reverend Moderator, Ignatius W. Cox, S. J., spoke on "The Ethics of Artificial Insemination and Sterilization." Doctor Henry Barrow was elected president for the year 1934-5, whilst the other officers remained the same.

**BROOKLYN GUILD**—The Catholic Physicians Guild of the Diocese of Brooklyn had its spring meeting since the last issue of this publication, followed by the annual Retreat. Dr. James J. Walsh, the noted Catholic author and lecturer, spoke on the topic, "Some Funny Things that Cure People."

During the first week of May of this year forty-one physicians from parishes within the Diocese of Brooklyn attended the Retreat at Mount Manresa, Staten Island, N. Y. Rev. James Walsh, S. J., was the Retreat Master; Rev. William J. Duane, S. J., presided over the informal medico-moral conference held on the last day of the Retreat.

At the annual election of officers of the Guild the following were chosen for the coming year: President, Dr. William Steinbugler; President-Elect, Dr. E. H. Fiske; Vice-President, Dr. T. M. Brennan; Secretary, Dr. Frank E. Mallon; Treasurer, Dr. T. B. Torre.