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BOSTON GUILD—In response to the very cordial invitation of the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital and of Dr. Manary, the Superintendent, the annual meeting was held in the Cheever Amphitheatre of the City Hospital. Cooperating with Dr. Manary, Dr. Everett O’Neill, of the Guild and of the hospital staff, developed a very interesting meeting, consisting of various clinics and lectures from 8 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. for the special interest and benefit of Guild members. This program was followed by a business meeting and election of officers, and the session closed with a luncheon, served through the courtesy of Dr. Manary, in the House Officers’ dining room. Members were privileged to bring with them any guests interested in the program, and they were particularly urged to bring prospective members of the Guild, especially recent medical school or hospital graduates, or physicians recently established in the community. The Guild of St. Luke is one of the oldest in the country, having been organized June 20, 1910, by invitation of His Grace, the Most Reverend Archbishop (now Cardinal) O’Connell. In the twenty-nine years of its existence, it has had sixteen presidents, but only one Chaplain, Msgr. M. J. Splaine. Dr. Frederick W. O’Brien is now its President.

CLEVELAND GUILD—Father Weitzman, S.J., Professor of Sociology at John Carroll University, was the Retreat-master at the Fourth Annual Closed Retreat. Father Weitzman’s talks were excellent and timely. He demonstrated the application of age-old Catholic doctrines to modern problems, and continually impressed his audience with the universality of the Church in time and space. Almost all the members made the three-day retreat, a sign that this annual devotion is growing from year to year. Special prayers were said for the repose of the soul of Dr. Joseph A. Dillon, the late National President of the Guilds.

BELLEVILLE GUILD—The mid-Summer meeting was held in August at Harrison’s Club. Dr. Moore, the President, presided. A resolution, presented by Dr. Donahue, asking the aid of the State Department of Public Health in the follow-up work of the health program by the appointment of public health nurses, was adopted. Rev. Manning, of Collinsville, honored the Guild by his presence and spoke words of encouragement to the physicians. Following the dinner, which was served in an open-air dining room, the principal address was given by Mr. Bernard Lutz, of the Catholic Central Verein in St. Louis, who spoke of the medical practice and the plight of Catholic physicians in Germany. His remarks were enthusiastically received.

NEW ORLEANS GUILD—Under the active leadership of Dr. Daniel Murphy, the new President, and in cooperation with His Excellency, Archbishop Rummel, the Guild is planning a Winter program of lectures on present-day problems viewed and worked up from the doctor’s standpoint.

GREATER NEW YORK—The Guilds of Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx are planning to act as hosts at the Federation meeting during the A. M. A. Convention in New York in 1940. Full details will be announced later.