

Memphis Doctor Is Elected By Plastic Surgeons Society

Dr. McCarthy DeMere, of Memphis, Tenn., became president of the Southeastern Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons at the President's Banquet last night at the Imperial House.

Dr. DeMere, who received the gavel of office at the banquet, succeeds Dr. Samuel E. Upchurch, of Birmingham, Ala.

During yesterday's election of officers, in the group's annual business session, Dr. Charles E. Horton, Norfolk, Va., was named president-elect.

Dr. Andrew H. Moore, 150 Mt. Tabor Road, was named vice president, with Carter Maguire, Charleston, S. C., as secretary; Richard W. Vincent, New Orleans, La., treasurer, and William Berkley, Charlotte, N. C., historian.

Dr. Antony Marzoni, Birmingham; Dr. John Lewis, Atlanta, Ga., and Dr. James Cox, Knoxville, Tenn., were named senior trustees.

Yesterday's session on medical problems and techniques featured a program, "Problem Cases," in which the surgeons showed slides of special problems they encountered and treated, with Dr. Cox as moderator.

In this session, Dr. Moore said, the surgeons explained their solutions, but seek better methods through discussions with other surgeons.

Among the cases reviewed were those including large blood vessel tumors on the heads and faces of patients. These type tumors, it was explained, are red in color, protrude and distort facial features, presenting special problems to the surgeon.

In such cases, the surgeon must determine the best way to control the lesions and save tissue for facial function and

appearance. The facial areas most commonly involved are the eyelids, nose, mouth and cheek, he indicated.

One case presented involved a tumor covering the entire left side of the patient's face, with the possible loss of the patient's eyelid and the entire surface of his cheek.

To control rapid growth of the tumor, he explained, x-ray treatment was used, and after the growth activity subsided, the remaining scars and adjacent tissue were excised and refitted into position. He described the final result as an excellent improvement.

The three-day meeting will close today with a series of technical discussions, including talks on nasal fractures, cosmetic rhinoplasty, breast augmentation, cleft lips and syndactylism.



PLASTIC SURGEONS HONORED — Physicians attending the annual meeting of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons at the Imperial House were honored last night at a buffet given by Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Moore, 150 Mt. Tabor Road. Shown, from left, in front, are Dr. McCarthy DeMere, Memphis, Tenn., president-elect; Dr. Samuel Upchurch, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Moore, and Dr. Carter McGuire, Charleston, S. C., and, in back, Dr. Beverly Douglas, Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. Charles Horton, Norfolk, Va. (Herald hPoto).