

JAMES G. CONLEY, M. D. Hand in hand with educational progress has medical science advanced in Kansas, and where once the over-worked country doctor was the only court of last resort over large areas, cities now stand that have become medical centers, homes for men of scientific bent, who find in them opportunities for progress and helpfulness and the inspiration that is an inherent necessity in the life of a conscientious physician and surgeon. A well established general practitioner at Pittsburg is Dr. James G. Conley, a veteran of the World war, president of the Crawford County Medical Society, medical examiner for the United States Veterans' Bureau, and a member of the staff of Mount Carmel Hospital at Pittsburg.

Dr. James G. Conley was born on his father's farm near Darlington, Wisconsin, son of Owen and Bridget Conley, both of Irish extraction, but for many years residents of Wisconsin. The father of Doctor Conley, now deceased, was a substantial farmer and highly respected citizen of Lafayette County, and a faithful member all his life of the Roman Catholic Church. The mother of Doctor Conley still survives.

James G. Conley received his early educational training in the local schools, and was graduated from the Darlington High School in the class of 1910, then became a student in Marquette University at Milwaukee, from which he was graduated in 1915, with his degree of M. D. and appointment as resident physician at Mount Sinai Hospital, Milwaukee, where he continued from 1915 until 1917, carefully and creditably performing every duty in this responsible position. Doctor Conley then entered into medical practice at Racine, Wisconsin, where he remained until he entered military service for the World war.

At that critical period in the country's history Doctor Conley, like thousands of other young men of the nation, cheerfully put aside all that had meant so much in peaceful times and girded themselves for war, and in love and grief America remembers how many of these brave young men now fill soldiers' graves in another land. Doctor Conley, however, was not called to overseas service. After three months of initial training in camp at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, he was stationed at the Aviation School at Scotts Field, Belleville, Illinois, commissioned a first lieutenant, served fourteen months, and was honorably discharged on December 15, 1919, shortly afterward coming to Pittsburg and resuming medical practice. In addition to attending to a large private practice Doctor Conley has important additional responsibilities, in that since June 1, 1922, he has been medical examiner for the United States Veterans' Bu-

reau, and in this capacity has over 300 patients under his care at Pittsburg and in southeast Kansas. Also he is a member of the staff of Mount Carmel Hospital, and is assistant division surgeon of the Kansas City Southeastern Railroad Company.

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 2, 1918, Doctor Conley married Miss Hazel N. Chatfield, daughter of Ransom and Sarah Chatfield, well known residents of Eagle, Wisconsin. Mrs. Conley is a graduate of the Palmyra High School and the Whitewater Normal School, both of Wisconsin, and additionally is a trained nurse, a graduate of the Columbia Hospital School at Milwaukee. She is well known in the cultural life of Pittsburg, a member of the History Study and other clubs, and is active in church and social life. Doctor and Mrs. Conley have two young daughters: Kathleen, who was born February 15, 1920; and Patricia, who was born May 21, 1925.

In political sentiment Doctor Conley is a republican. He belongs to the Crawford County Medical Society, of which he is the present president, the Kansas State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He and wife are members of the Roman Catholic Church, and he belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Elks and the Pittsburg Country Club. Both professionally and as a public-spirited citizen he is interested in enterprises and movements that promise to be of real benefit to Pittsburg, and commands respect and enjoys universal confidence.