Dr. Albert E. Archer, MD, FACS, FRCSC

CMA President, 1942-43
University of Toronto, 1902
General surgery

Dr. Archer moved to Alberta shortly after graduating from medical school and would spend most of his career as superintendent of the Lamont (Alberta) Hospital, which started as a 15-bed facility in 1911. A Past President of both the Alberta Medical Association and the Alberta Hospital Association, he also served as head of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta before moving to the CMA. During World War II he served on the Procurement and Assignment Board, which the CMA created to ensure adequate access to physicians in both the military services and civilian life. When he died in 1949, a colleague wrote in CMAJ: “He gave endless hours of thought and effort to improving the welfare of the medical profession.”