Dr. Charles W. Burns, MD CM, FACS, FRCSC, FICS

CMA President, 1953-54
University of Manitoba, 1916
General surgery

Dr. Burns, a Past President of the Manitoba Medical Association, served overseas in the Canadian Army Medical Corps in World War I. After the war he became a professor of surgery at the University of Manitoba. He also served as head of the university’s Department of Surgery and chief of surgery at the Winnipeg General Hospital, and was President of both the Canadian Cancer Society and the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba. Following his death in 1967, a colleague wrote: “Surgery in Manitoba owed much to him. He was an expert operating surgeon and the range of his activities was wide. Perhaps his greatest contribution was his active interest in so many medical societies.”