

Edward Cussler

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Edward Cussler, Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine, was born near Catskill, New York on May 3, 1882 and died in his 67th year at his home in New York City. After graduating from Columbia University where he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1904, he served on the staff of the New York Hospital for a period of forty-four years. His service during that time was varied and comprehensive. Beginning as assistant house physician in 1905, he served in turn as house physician, 1906; physician to the Out Patient Department, 1907 to 1911 and associate attending physician from 1912 to 1922. He continued on the staff of the New York Hospital from 1932 to 1948 and was made Consulting Physician in 1948. In addition he was internist at the New York Hospital in Westchester from 1925 to 1948 and Consulting Physician from 1948 to 1949.

Dr. Cussler was interested in medical education from the beginning of his medical career. He taught at the College of Physicians and Surgeons from 1907 through 1916. He came to Cornell in 1932 as Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine and continued in that capacity until his death.

From 1906 until his death Dr. Cussler was in active practice as an Internist in New York City. Here he made his reputation as an astute diagnostician and sound therapist. He was interested in his patient as an individual, and through his unusual power as a listener he lead the most reserved patient to unburden his problems to him freely. His skill imbued the patient with confidence so that he left the consulting room with relief of mind and belief in his future. Through his own fortitude and philosophy he gave comfort to even the incurably ill.

Dr. Cussler was universally beloved and admired as a devoted physician and loyal friend.

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