

## TO EXTEND FIGHT ON CANCER

Laymen and Physicians Form a Nation-Wide Organization.

The committee of laymen appointed in April to plan an organization to fight cancer in this country met a committee of physicians in the Harvard Club yesterday and formed the nucleus of an association which is pledged to conduct a Nation-wide campaign. The societies which compose the Congress of American Physicians and Surgeons was asked at the annual meeting in Washington this month to appoint a committee to meet the laymen.

These officers were elected yesterday: President, George C. Clark, New York City; Vice Presidents, Dr. Clement Cleveland, New York City; Dr. Lewis M. McMurtry, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. Edward Reynolds, Boston; Dr. Edward Martin, Philadelphia; Dr. Llewellyn F. Barker, Baltimore; Secretary, Thomas M. Debevoise.

The Executive Committee consists of Dr. G. Brewer, New York City; Dr. J. F. Simpson, Pittsburgh; Dr. Livingston Farrand, New York City; Dr. Joseph Bloodgood, Baltimore; Dr. A. D. Bevan, Chicago; Dr. Le Roy Broun, New York City; Dr. Howard Lillenthal, New York City; Dr. Jeff Miller, New Orleans; Dr. James Ewing, New York City; Dr. Charles Powers, Denver; Dr. Reuben Peterson, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Dr. William M. Studdiford, New York City; Dr. Frederick J. Taussig, St. Louis, and Dr. Howard C. Taylor, New York City.

The committee of laymen includes James Speyer, V. Everit Macy, Thomas W. Lamont, George C. Clark, Frederick L. Hoffman, statistician of the Prudential Life Insurance Company; John E. Parsons, and Thomas M. Debevoise. The medical associations represented yesterday were the American Dermatological Association, American Surgical Association, American Laryngological Association, American Otological Association, American Genito-Urinary Association, American Gynecological Society, American Association of Pathologists and Bacteriologists, American Orthopedic Association, American Ophthalmological Society, and American Neurological Association. Other societies interested in cancer problems will be asked to join the movement. It was decided that the full Board of Trustees should be appointed by the Executive Committee. The members of the Executive Committee are also Trustees.

It is planned to educate American women concerning cancer, as 50 per cent. more women suffer from the disease than men. Methods of publicity will include articles in women's magazines and journals of nursing, pamphlets sent to midwives and distributed to the laity by visiting nurses, social workers, and physicians, and through the agency of women's clubs. Special instruction will be provided in the courses in all nurses' training schools, and lectures will be delivered before the mothers' clubs or other groups gathered for the purpose by physicians or specially qualified graduate nurses.

## REFUSED FRIEDMANN 'CURE.'

Joseph Gilmartin, Suffering from Tuberculosis, Commits Suicide.

Joseph Gilmartin was found dead yesterday morning in the home of his brother-in-law, Eugene Bailey, at 8,792 Twenty-third Avenue, Bensonhurst. He had committed suicide by inhaling gas. Gilmartin was 35 years old, and had managed several billiard parlors in Manhattan. The cause of his act was despondency over illness. He was afflicted with tuberculosis. He had been in several hospitals, and when Dr. Friedrich Franz Friedmann arrived in this country he was a patient in Seton Hospital. The Federal and the hospital authorities proposed that he be one of those to take Dr. Friedmann's treatment, but he refused.