

# DR. STRITTMATTER, GYNECOLOGIST, 77

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**Former Philadelphia Surgeon  
Who Started Career There  
in 1881 Is Dead**

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**GAVE MEDALS TO DOCTORS**

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**Had Just Presented Award to  
This Year's Winner—Ex-  
Head of Medical Society**

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PHILADELPHIA, April 14.—Dr. Isidor Paul Strittmatter, gynecologist and surgeon, died of a heart ailment at his home here this afternoon, less than twenty-four hours after the annual presentation of the gold medal he established as a citation for local doctors for their achievements. He was 77 years old. He had been ill more than a year.

Born at Carrollton, Dr. Strittmatter was educated at St. Vincent's College, Beatty; the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, and Jefferson Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1881. For some years he operated a private hospital and was one of the chief surgeons at St. Mary's Hospital. He was forced to give up his surgical work years ago, however, when a fall from a bicycle injured his arm. He remained an honorary member of the St. Mary's Hospital staff.

He was president of the Alumni Associations of St. Vincent's and Jefferson and in 1930 was recipient of the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the former institution.

Dr. Strittmatter served as president of the Philadelphia County Medical Society in 1928. Active in encouraging the advance of medicine, he had established, five years before that, the Strittmatter Medal Award, donating \$5,000, the interest to be used each year for a medal.

The presentation of the medals was begun in 1932. Last night's recipient was Dr. Leonard G. Rowntree, director of the Philadelphia Institute for Medical Research at the Philadelphia General Hospital.

Dr. Strittmatter was a member also of the Northern Medical Association and several other medical societies.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Marie Raisch Strittmatter, and a son, Dr. I. Thomas Strittmatter, with whom he shared an office.