

Dr. Marshall J. Orloff accepts chairmanship of Dept. of Surgery, at School of Medicine at Univer. of Calif. San Diego

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Dr. Marshall J. Orloff, a Markle Scholar in Academic Medicine at UCLA and Professor and Chief of Surgery at the Harbor General Hospital in Los Angeles, has accepted the chairmanship of the Department of Surgery at the new School of Medicine at the University of California, San Diego it has been announced by Dr. Joseph Stokes, III, Dean of the School.

Dr. Orloff will head a department which is planned to grow to a total of 51 full-time faculty members over the next eight years and which will be one of the two largest and most complex departments in the new School. The School, now in its early stages of development, will accept its first class of 32 students in 1968.

Dr. Orloff, 38, was born in Chicago and obtained both his B.S. and M.D. degrees, with honors, from the University of Illinois. He also holds an advanced degree in pharmacology. After an internship on the University of California Service at the San Francisco Hospital, he obtained training in general, thoracic, and pediatric surgery at the University of Pennsylvania between 1952 and 1958. From 1958 to 1961 he served on the faculty of the University of Colorado before moving to UCLA and Harbor General Hospital.

As Chairman of the Department of Surgery, Dr. Orloff will have heavy demands made upon his time. Initially all of the operative specialties will be organized as a single, large, multifaceted department which will not only encompass the usual surgical subspecialties but will also have a unique responsibility for a second year course in gross anatomy.

The department will be divided into three principal subdivisions. The core of the program will be based in the Clinical Science and Hospital Project on the north medical campus in La Jolla, where clinical research, teaching, and certain highly specialized surgical care procedures, such as organ transplantation and cardiovascular surgery, will be conducted. Secondly, a significant portion of the clinical program will be based at the San Diego County University Hospital where Dr. Orloff will take up residence in July 1967. He and his associates will be located initially in the old tuberculosis hospital on Vauclain Point which will be renovated as a surgical research laboratory. The department's permanent space and facilities in the Clinical Science and Hospital Project and the addition to the San Diego County University Hospital will be completed in 1971.

The third facet of the department will be centered in the San Diego Veterans Administration Hospital which is scheduled to be built east of the UCSD campus.

Dr. Orloff is a member of 28 professional and honorary societies and is the author of more than 80 scientific publications. He serves on the editorial board of the scientific journal "Surgery" and on the Clinical Research Training Committee of the National Institutes of Health. His research interests have been in the fields of liver physiology and disease, metabolism, gastrointestinal physiology, shock, cancer, organ preservation and transplantation.