

Doctors Elect a Kentuckian

By the Associated Press

CLEVELAND, June 5—Dr. Fred Wharton Rankin, of Lexington, Ky., was named president-elect of the American Medical Association by its house of delegates today. He will succeed Dr. Frank H. Lahey in 1942.

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A new drug which offers a hope, but only a hope, to tuberculosis sufferers was reported to the association.

In announcing it and its tentative use on more than 75 patients, Drs. Corwin Hinshaw and William H. Feldman, of Mayo Clinic, hastened to warn persons with tuberculosis against expecting immediate cure. Until the drug is proven or disproven, they claim nothing.

However, the compound, one of 200 or more derivatives of sulfanilamide, was so effective in controlling deadly doses of tuberculosis germs in guinea pigs that they felt safe in trying it on human beings.