

N. med. Ludwig Ballin

I was born in Munich, Germany on March 7th, 1898, of native parents who, at the age of 71 and 65 years, respectively, are still resident there. My father was a prominent furniture manufacturer, having been awarded the Gold Medal at the St. Louis Exposition of 1904, and having, amongst others, furnished the ^{yard} house of Mr. C. K. G. Billings, through the agency of the late Mr. J. Cox of Cox & Stevens, Inc., New York.

I received my preliminary education in the Public Schools and, starting in 1908, in the humanistic Theresien-Gymnasium in Munich. From 1916 till 1918 I served in the army.

In 1918 I entered the Ludwig-Maximilians University in Munich, where I passed the pre-medical examinations in 1920. In the same year I attended the summer courses at Heidelberg and then continued my studies in Munich where I passed the medical State Board Examinations on December 6th, 1922. My internship was ^{passed in Munich and included internal,} surgical and pathologic-anatomical work. On January 11, 1924 I received my license to practice medicine and was at the same time awarded the degree of Medical Doctor, on the basis of a pathologic-anatomical treatise, "An unusual clinical picture of a cure of EMPYEMA NECESSITATIS". From February 15th, 1924 until April 1st, 1926, I worked as Assistant at the Gynecological Clinic of the University of Berlin, under the direction of Prof. Bumm and Warnekros. During April 1924, I was attached to the Urological Department of the University Hospital Division of Surgery, under Professor Dr. Joseph. From then until February 15th, 1928, I was active as assistant at the Municipal Hospital for Women in Stuttgart, under the direction of ^{Professor} Dr. K. Baisch. On February 16th of the same year I established my practice as specialist for gynecology in Munich, which practice I maintained until 1938.