

# Community

## Endowment created in memory of doctor

An endowment has been created in memory of a Silver City physician who died in 1941.

Dr. Arthur Mann's widow, Rose Mann Merriam, recently traveled to Silver City after a 40-year absence. The trip was made for the specific purpose of becoming acquainted with Gila Regional Medical Center as a possible recipient of an endowment in the name of her late husband.

Mann came to Silver City for health reasons in the 1930s. He was married to Rose Shear on Oct. 23, 1941, in a ceremony presided over by the Rev. Harold Johnson at what was then Swift Memorial Hospital. Mann died 11 days later. He is buried at the Masonic Cemetery.

Mrs. Mann at the onset of World War II moved to Dem-

ing, where she served as a civilian employee at a military base. She continued her work with the federal government in California, where she met her present husband, Bob Merriam. She is a resident of Lake Isabella, Calif.

Mann was born Oct. 23, 1893. He died Nov. 2, 1941, at the age of 48 of complications surrounding tuberculosis.

Mrs. Merriam chose to create the Dr. Arthur H. Mann Endowment in the amount of \$30,000.

A plaque honoring Mann will be placed at Gila Regional and the endowment will always carry his name.

The annual interest accrued from the endowment will be awarded to persons from the hospital service area who desire to enter medical school, nursing school, or a medical



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technology field, according to a Gila Regional official.

A Gila Regional foundation scholarship committee is headed by Claire Goldsmith, Helen Downs and Mary Helen Goble. An application process and scholarship criteria are being developed and will be announced by the foundation at a later date.