

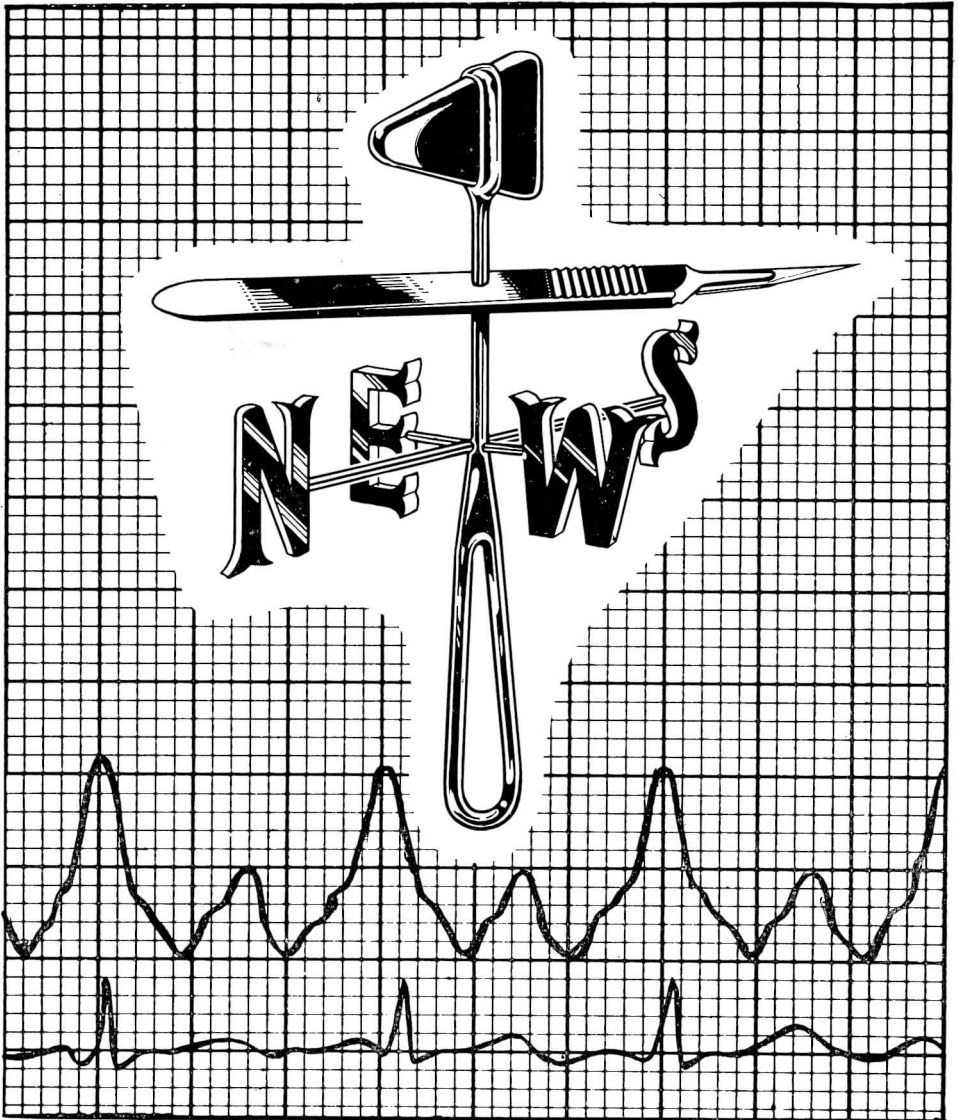
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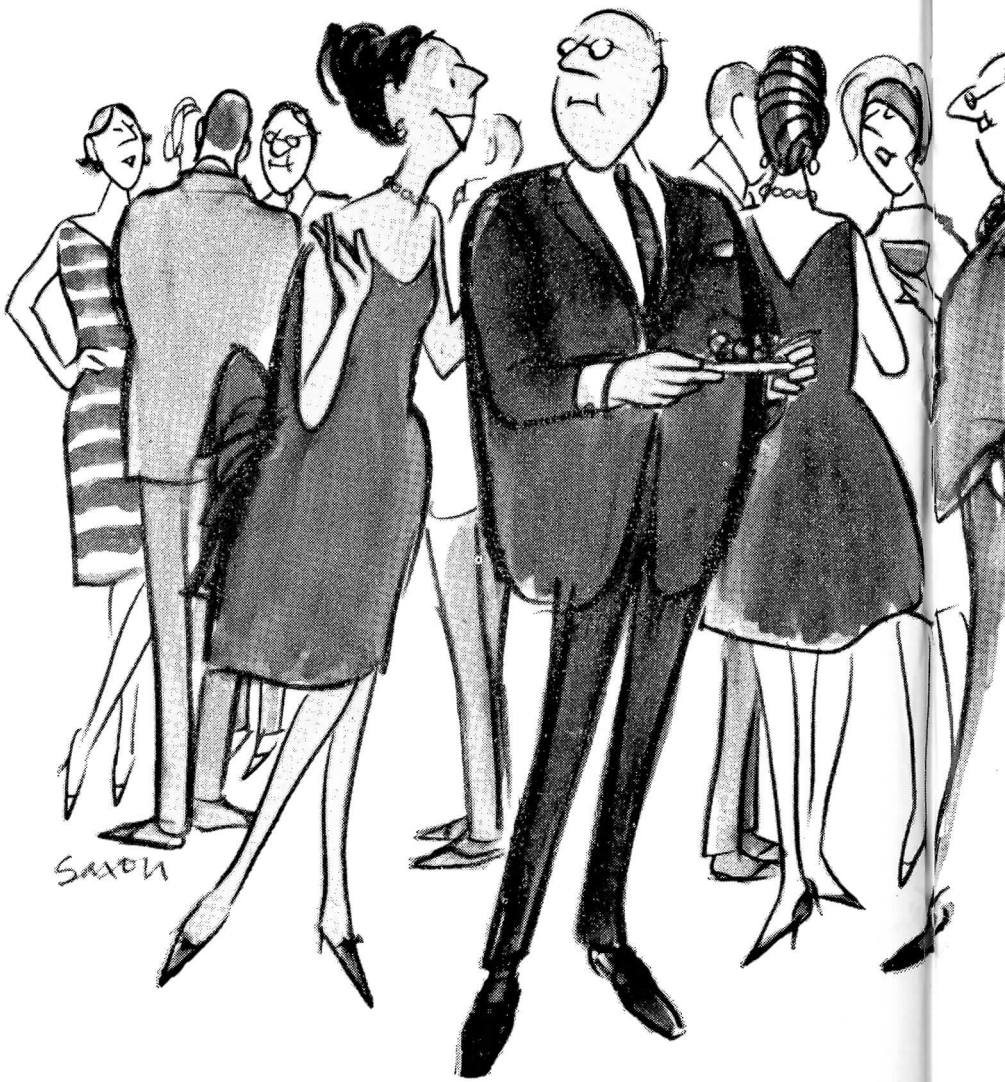
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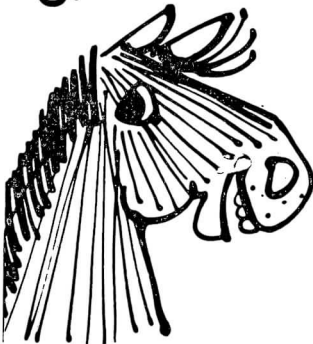
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From the Desk of the President

A NEW HOSPITAL

Many members of the Mahoning County Medical Society have expressed an interest in the organization of a new hospital. A committee has been appointed to pursue this possibility.

The increased interference by governmental regulations on institutions accepting federal and state funds; the divergent viewpoints of organized medicine and organized administration; the autocratic control of medical staffs as opposed to democratic control represent sound reasons for this action. The proposed construction of a third unit within the Youngstown Hospital Association complex will overtax a further diluted staff coverage, and increase demands of service beyond the tolerance of many men.

A new hospital whose controlling board would be elected by its own staff would operate on a democratic basis. The highest standards of medicine would be its goal. Support by those physicians interested may offer a haven for a free and vital practice, and yet maintain the long established principles and ideals of American medicine.

F. A. Resch, M.D.
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Editorial**CHALLENGE**

The next two meetings of the Medical Society will be for the purpose of nominating a slate of officers in November; and electing the slate of officers in December.

There is a need for leadership. I extend the challenge to supply leadership to all members of our Society. In particular, I would challenge those dues paying members who do not vote, but who do complain and criticize. The present leadership of the AMA is a direct result of the voting and non-voting of the members of the AMA, which has gone on for the last ten or fifteen years. If these leaders are not giving the kind of leadership that you think they should; part of the blame is at your doorstep, whether you vote or not.

The AMA should have vigorous leadership. In order for the leadership to be vigorous, there must be a large body of dedicated followers. It seems to me that this is where our organization has fallen, in that the dedicated doctor has not been a dedicated follower of his elected leadership.

We may ask the question—Is the AMA destined to die? If it does, will it be because of apathy, and the resulting poor leadership? If it does die, what will replace the AMA?

There are some who would suggest the National Medical Association. There is an active campaign on for more members in this organization. There is a move afoot to form a National Academy of Medicine; controlled by the Medical Thinkers of Washington. There are certain splinter group Guilds being formed all over the country at the present time.

Will any of these organizations really represent medicine as we know it; and will it represent medicine in the way that we want it to be represented? I cannot answer these questions, but I think that we can try.

I challenge you to put up good leaders from the talented and articulate members of our Society, and to support the ticket that you bring forth; and then to support the leaders after you have elected them.

Certainly in this way, the Mahoning County Medical Society can become a potent force. State and National leadership can be developed in this community to represent us in an acceptable manner, above the grass roots level.

The need for this type of leader makes it mandatory that we accept the challenge and put forth a "Champion Slate," to help all of medicine in the coming years.

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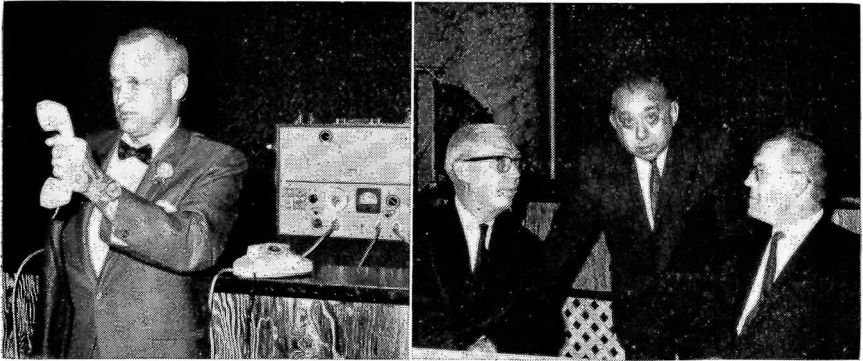
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Dr. Annis, on the other end of the phone held by Dr. Schreiber, listens to questions from the floor. (Right) Dr. Edwin R. Westbrook, Dr. Harold J. Reese, and Dr. Lawrence C. Meredith

In an unusual meeting format, members of the Mahoning County Medical Society heard Dr. Edward R. Annis, via telephone from South Bend, at the October 18 meeting.

Dr. Annis warned members against a step-by-step encroachment by the federal government in the wake of the medicare law, using the means of rules and regulations to move in where the law is not specific. He cited three areas in which physicians may lose ground as being: hospital certifications, generic names for drugs, and compulsory assignments. He pointed out the situation in New York where doctors caring for welfare patients must accept assignments from the government then turn over the assignment to the hospitals. He called for physician resistance to any governmental interference that threatens patient care.

Dr. Lawrence C. Meredith, president, and Dr. Edwin R. Westbrook, Sixth District Councilor of the Ohio State Medical Association were guests at the meeting. Dr. Meredith addressed the meeting concerning state problems, then joined Dr. Westbrook and Dr. Schreiber, program chairman, in a panel to answer questions.

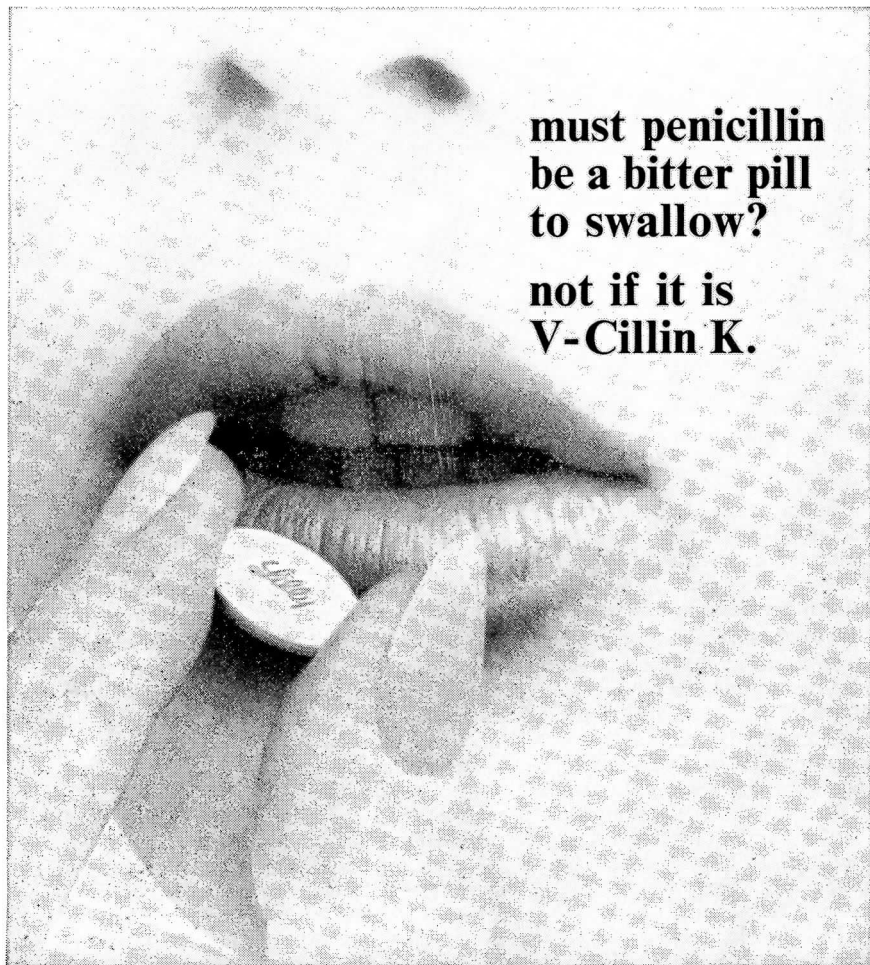
Dr. Harold J. Reese, president-elect, presided. Approximately 90 members attended the meeting at the Mural Room.

FOUNDATION ESTABLISHED

The Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation, approved by the membership last spring, has now been incorporated and is functioning.

The Appointing Committee met to consider the investment of the Foundation's initial capital, \$24,746. A loan of \$500 for this year to a deserving medical student has been approved. Two students are under consideration and one will be named as recipient after an investigation as to which is the more deserving. Members of the Appointing Committee are: Dr. F. A. Resch, Dr. Bertram Katz, Dr. John J. McDonough, Dr. J. W. Tandatnick, Dr. R. J. Scheetz, Dr. F. L. Schellhase and Dr. G. W. Cook. Dr. J. R. Sofranec also met with the Appointing Committee as a member of the Scholarship Committee.

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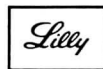
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1970 Delegate	Dr. J. V. Newsome
Alternate Delegate	Dr. J. W. Tandatnick
Alternate Delegate	Dr. S. F. Petraglia
Council Member	Dr. R. L. Jenkins
Council Member	Dr. Henry Holden
Council Member	Dr. Kurt Wegner
Council Member	Dr. U. H. Boening

The following offices will not require nominations due to the terms not having expired:

President	Dr. H. J. Reese
Immediate Past President	Dr. F. A. Resch
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1968 Delegate	Dr. L. P. Caccamo
1969 Delegate	Dr. Jack Schreiber
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Alternate Delegate	Dr. F. A. Friedrich
Council Member	Dr. R. D. Murray
Council Member	Dr. Bertram Katz
Council Member	Dr. C. E. Pichette
Council Member	Dr. F. L. Schellhase

Additional nominations will be made from the floor at the November meeting. Final election of officers will take place at the Dec. 20th meeting.

PANEL TO DISCUSS FEES

Medical Fees will be the subject of the Nov. 15 meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society, to be held at the Mural Room, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting getting under way at 7:30.

Leading the discussion will be a panel, consisting of Mr. Francis Caulkins, head of Professional Management of Cleveland, plus the following members of the medical society: Dr. U. H. Boening, Dr. R. L. Jenkins, Dr. A. K. Phillips and Dr. J. W. Tandatnick. Discussion from the floor will be encouraged.

The business portion of the meeting will be devoted to nomination of officers. A list of the offices to be voted upon, as well as the report of the nominating committee is listed elsewhere in the Bulletin.

Reservations for the dinner may be made at the Medical Society office. Cost will be the usual \$3.50 per person.

DIAGNOSIS

Taking part in the Medical Society's "Diagnosis" radio program during the month of October were:

- Oct. 4: "Misconceptions in Medicine," Dr. Charles Waltner, Dr. John J. McDonough.
- Oct. 11: "Hormones," Dr. John J. McDonough, Mitch Stanley.
- Oct. 18: "Community Health Week," Dr. R. L. Jenkins, Dr. Kurt Wegner, Howard Rempes.
- Oct. 25: "Misconceptions in Medicine," Dr. F. R. D'Amato, Dr. C. B. Klodell.

All programs are heard over WFMJ at 8:05 p.m. each Tuesday. They are recorded at 9:15 a.m. of the same day. Any physician interested in presenting a topic on "Diagnosis" should contact the Medical Society office or Dr. McDonough, chairman.

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Dr. and Mrs. Morris Rosenblum and Dr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Brody had a three-week air trip to Majorca, Israel and Madeira. While there, Dr. Rosenblum gave a talk at Hadassah Hebrew University Hospital on "Treatment of Diabetic Coma."

Dr. William J. Flynn was elected a delegate-director of the American Cancer Society at a house of delegates meeting of that organization in New York City.

Dr. and Mrs. Brack Bowman have returned from a month's tour of the Far East and California. In Hawaii and Japan, Dr. Bowman attended sessions of the Pan-Pacific Surgical Association, and in San Francisco, he attended a meeting of the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Bernstein had additional reasons to be proud of his son, Peter. Recently a splendid editorial appeared on the pages of *The Vindicator* entitled, "Hero With Compassion." Peter has received more decorations in Viet Nam than any other serviceman in the conflict.

Dr. Wayne Hardin has been discharged from North Side Hospital and is convalescing at home. We all have Wayne in our hearts and our prayers.

Dr. Frances Miller spent a recent vacation in New England and has returned full of Vim and Vigor.

Among those attending the Interstate Postgraduate meeting in Washington, D.C., were: Drs. Resch, Friedrich, Wagner, Roland, W. P. Young, Melaragno, Krupko and Speck.

Dr. Sidney Franklin has been appointed National Surgeon of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States. He is a past Commander of the Department of Ohio and the local Post No. 59.

Dr. Carl Klodell was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Ohio Council of the Blind held at the Voyager.

Dr. Julius Nemeth, director of the Community Services Unit of Woodside Receiving Hospital, was elected president of the Association of Physicians of the Ohio Department of Mental Hygiene and Correction at the annual convention in Columbus.

Dr. Winifred Liu Mutschmann attended the annual meeting of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists and the American College of Pathologists in Washington in September. Dr. Liu had a scientific exhibit, "simplified staining techniques for cytologic smears," a method to reduce the traditional Papanicolaou 26-step technique to a simple 6 steps.

Dr. R. S. Richards has been certified as a diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology. Dr. D. R. Dockry, Dr. W. B. Hardin and Dr. M. J. Vuksta were inducted as Fellows of the American College of Surgeons. Congratulations!

Dr. F. S. Coombs was co-chairman, along with Philip A. Levy, to head the Professional Division of the United Appeal campaign again this year.

Dr. George T. Szaboky recently attended the bi-annual congress of the International College of Surgeons in Mexico. At Oaxaca, he presented a paper, "Anomalous Fusion Between the Lunate and Triquetrum." Co-authors are: r. Jans Muller, Dr. John Melnick and Robert Tamburo, virologist at North Side Hospital laboratory.

Drs. Dave Levy, Fred Dunlea and Clyde Walter attended the A.A.G.P. meeting in Boston's War Memorial Auditorium, Oct. 10-13. Dr. Walter and Dr. Robert Kiskaddon attended the Midwest Forum on Allergy held at the Mayo Clinic, Oc. 14-16.

Dr. R. J. Scheetz joined golfdom's elect group when he shot a hole-in-one at The Greenbrier, Sammy Snead's course in West Virginia. All he was trying to do was to keep up with his wife, Coletta, who shot a hole-in-one last year.

—G. E. DeCicco, M.D.

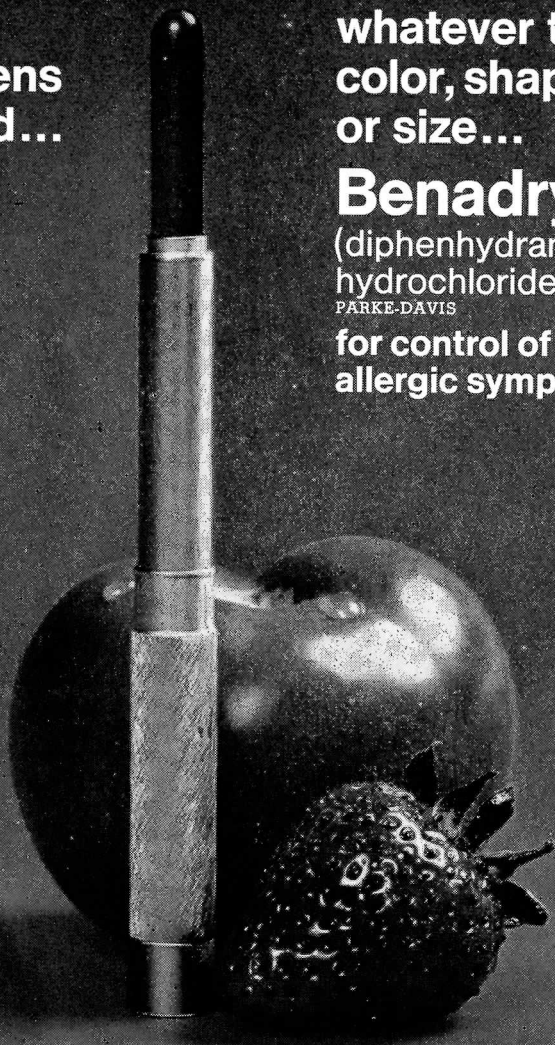
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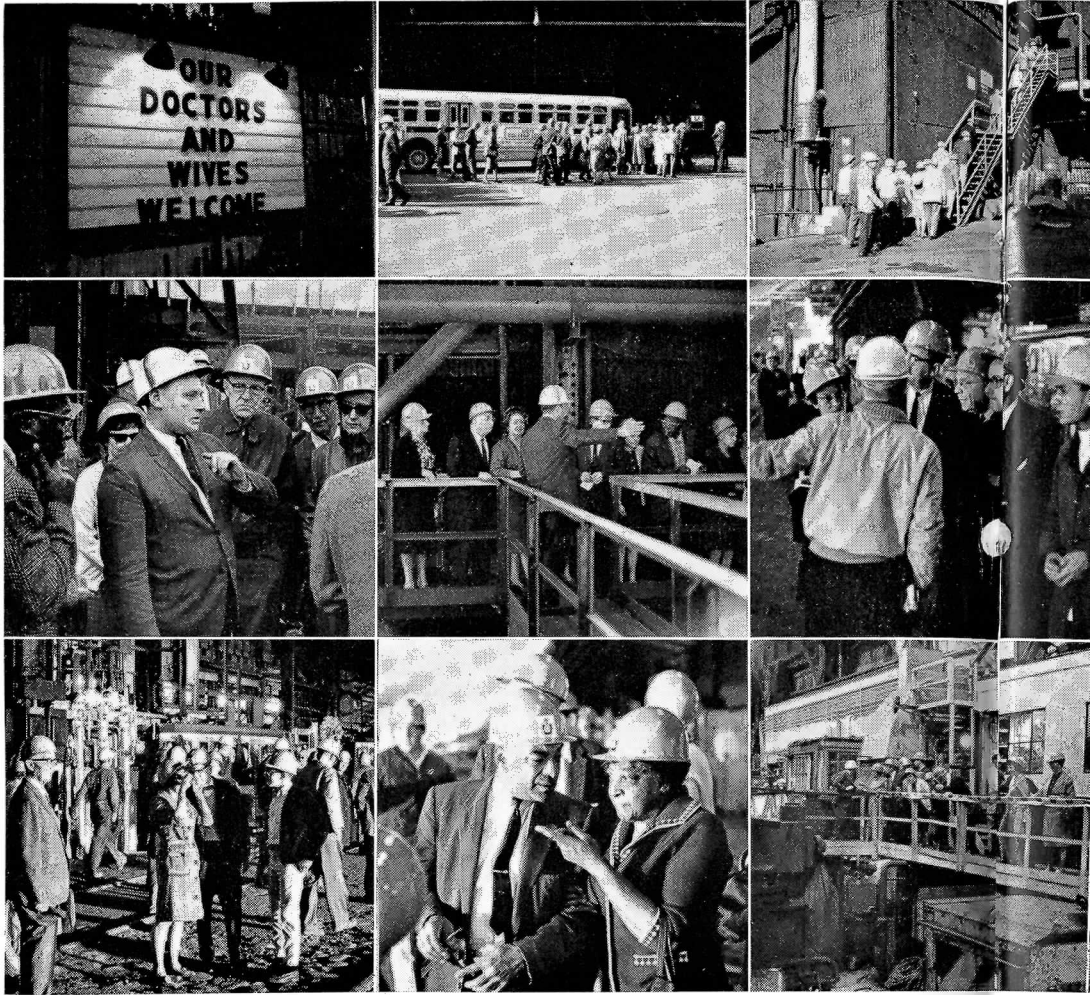
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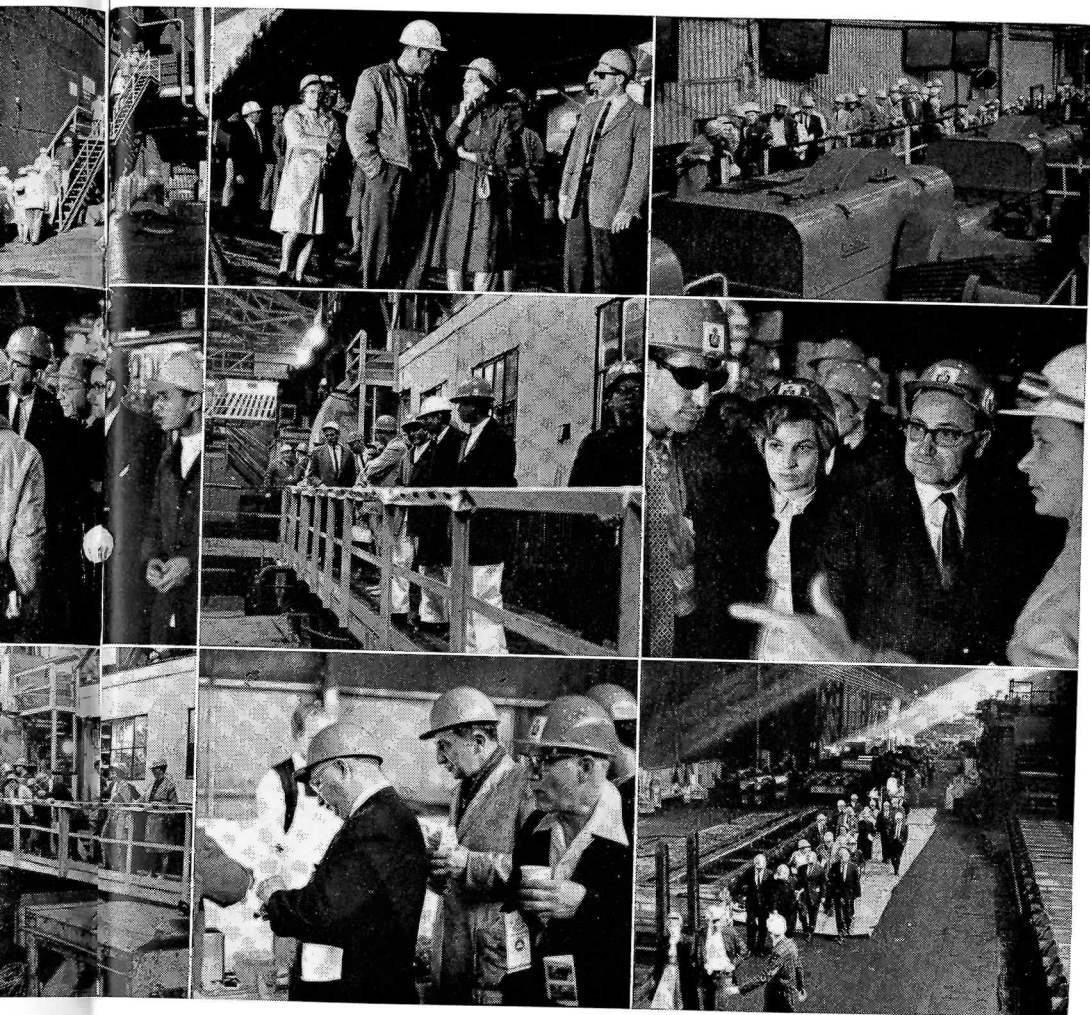
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The Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company rolled out the red carpet for the Mahoning County Medical Society on a beautiful Thursday in October. Close to 90 persons, including doctors and their families took advantage of the special tour, Oct. 27th.

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At two places along the tour, the workers had put up signs. One said, "Welcome to the Mahoning County Medical Society." The other said, "Our Doctors and Wives Welcome." Refreshments were served about mid-way on the tour. A familiar scene, repeated often, was that of a doctor stopping to chat with a patient whom he had recognized among the steel-workers.

The skillful manipulation of hot steel is one of the greatest shows to be seen, and the medical group was an enthusiastic and appreciative audience. Many words of thanks were passed along to company officials and tour guides as the buses left the mill. Initial plans and arrangements for the tour were made by Dr. J. W. Tandatnick, chairman.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Mrs. James N. Wychel, the President of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Ohio State Medical Association in her inaugural address in May, gave us the following slogan with ten two-letter words: "IF IT IS TO BE, IT IS UP TO ME!"

Each and every individual member of the county auxiliaries should accept that challenge. The public image of today's doctor is not only his responsibility but also his wife's.

Our Auxiliary has planned interesting programs for the year. Individual committees are actively at work and are doing an excellent job of assisting the Medical Society in many projects.

Each month we plan to bring you the highlights of the Auxiliary's activities via The Bulletin. Your interest, your attendance at meetings, your willingness to serve on committees when asked, will help make the functions of YOUR Auxiliary a success for the years 1966-67.

In order that you may know us better, your officers have each written a brief autobiography.

PRESIDENT: Maryella Helms Ruth: I was born in Dallas, Texas but spent most of my life in Canton, Ohio. Many of my summers were spent at the American Youth Foundation's Camp Miniwanca, in Michigan as a camper, counselor, and camp nurse.

I graduated from the University of Rochester, New York, with a B.S. in Nursing followed by graduate school at the University of Chicago in post-graduate Pediatric Nursing.

Cincinnati Children's Hospital and Akron Children's Hospital as a Clinical Instructor of Pediatric Nursing led to my decision to accept a position as Head Nurse of Pediatric Surgical Nursing at Western Reserve University, Babies' and Children's Hospital until my marriage in 1954.

My husband, Paul, is an Ophthalmologist and we have two children, John, eleven years and Kathleen, nine years.

My volunteer work has been with the Community Chest, Planned Parenthood, and presently I am on the Board of the Y.W.C.A., serving as Chairman of the Membership Committee. Our family attends Boardman Methodist Church.

My hobbies include golf and bowling and I hope someday to resume my study of the piano.

PRESIDENT-ELECT: Blanche Weiss: I was born in Cleveland, Ohio and attended Ohio State University, majoring in Fine Arts and Education. During my senior year I was married to Sanford Weiss, Radiologist. We have three children, Brad, age 12 years, Bedonna, age 10 years, and Ronald, age 6 years.

I love to paint, enjoy golfing and traveling and like to participate in Community Activities. I am a past president of the Woman's Division of the Jewish Federation, past Vice-president of the Temple Sisterhood of Anshe-Emeth and past president of the Esther group of Hadassah.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Martha McConnell: I grew up in a small town in southern Illinois, Lawrenceville. I graduated from Washington University School of Nursing. My marriage to Robert McConnell was followed by a few years of Nomadic life—the Army and specialty training taking us to Los Angeles, Erie, Pennsylvania and Des Moines, Iowa. We moved to Youngstown in 1955 and my husband is a Urologist.

We have four children, Mike, age 16 years, Molly, age 15 years, Jane, age 13 years and Mark, nine years. My hobbies are gardening, sewing and reading.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Cathy Petraglia: I was born Catherine Renee Turnbach in West Pittston, Pennsylvania, in the heart of the anthracite region. I am still proud to be called a "coalcracker." On both sides of my family I am descended from Irish politicians and once had a rotogravure

section in the Wilkes Barre Sunday paper devoted to charges of nepotism leveled against my uncle, a State Senator at the time. I can still claim distant kinship to any Irish politician from the anthracite region.

At one time I intended to study law and continue in the family tradition of politics, but a bad frontal lisp seemed to preclude anyone taking me too seriously as a lawyer or a politician.

My father's work as a chain store manager and later with the Army Post Exchange, explains the fact that I attended eleven schools before graduating from Wyoming Seminary in Kingston, Pennsylvania. I received my A.B. and M.A. degrees from Marywood College in Scranton. I taught college French while studying for my master's degree. Two years of teaching high school English and History were followed by five years as Dean of Students at St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing, followed by one year of teaching seventh grade at St. Nicholas in Struthers. I was married to Sam Petraglia, general practitioner, in 1959. We have one son, James Francis, age five years.

I enjoy swimming, golf and bicycling. I am a voracious reader, particularly a mystery addict. I love to cook and I am presently conducting a small French class for the neighborhood children, 4 to 8 years. I have a desire to write for publication.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: *Marian (Tad) Josef:* I was born in Youngstown and have lived here since. I attended St. Edward grade school, Rayen High School and Youngstown University. It was while I was doing volunteer work for the Junior League at North Side Hospital Gift Shop that I met my husband, D. M. Josef, general surgeon. We have two children, Demmy, age 6 years and Alisa, age 4 years.

I did volunteer work at Woodside Receiving Hospital for three years and home visitations for the Visiting Nurse Association. I worked on a radio and TV committee writing "Jottings" for the Junior League News Sheet.

For several years I was employed at the Mahoning National Bank as a teller and later as a receptionist. I love gardening, tennis, bicycling and swimming.

TREASURER: *Velma Holden:* I finished grade school in Alexandria, Louisiana, completing high school at the Gilbert Academy in New Orleans. I attended Howard University in Washington, D. C. and did Nursing at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee.

My husband, Henry Holden is an internist and we have 3 children. Rosalind, 17 years, Henry Jr., 16 years, and Michelle, 11 years.

My hobbies are bridge and reading.

In Memoriam — Mrs. May William Morrison

Mrs. May William Morrison — the first president of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Mahoning County Medical Society, 1940-1941, widow of Dr. R. M. Morrison, passed away on September 3, 1966, at the age of 90 years.

Most members of our Auxiliary never had the privilege of knowing Mrs. Morrison. Her many activities will remain a living part of our community.

What were her roles after her marriage in 1896? These remain identical today. Mrs. Morrison shared her husband's interests while she retained her own individuality.

Mrs. Morrison has left a memory of her ability and charm in all that she did.

—Mrs. Frank Gelbman
Historian, Woman's Auxiliary

HOPE ART FESTIVAL NOV. 11 - 13

A second Art Festival, with the proceeds to go to the hospital ship, S.S. Hope, is being held at the Mahoning County Court House Nov. 11-13. Dr. John J. McDonough, who served twice aboard the S.S. Hope in Peru and Ecuador, is sponsor and chairman of the art show.

The S.S. Hope is considered by many to be the finest ambassador of good will to foreign countries that the United States has today. In the face of the cry, "Yankee Go Home," which seems to prevail wherever America has an outpost, the countries visited by the hospital ship are calling "Yankee Come Back!" The purpose of the Art Festival is to raise money to help outfit the ship for more of its voyages of mercy and healing.

An important, if not the most important, facet of the work is the teaching of physicians in backward countries so that they can acquire the skills of modern medicine and can work to build their own hospital facilities.

American physicians, dentists and nurses give of their time to serve on the ship. However, it takes money to outfit a ship and to provide proper crew and management. For this purpose, the money from the Art Festival will go to enable future trips to be made.

Tickets of admission to the exhibit are available at \$1.00 from the office of Dr. McDonough and other physicians. Further money will be raised from the sale of paintings. Each ticket holder is eligible to be a winner of the door prize, which will be an oil portrait to be executed by Martha Dale Coope, at a value of \$500.

The Court House will be open for the exhibition on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, from 2:00 to 10:00 p.m. All physicians are urged to attend and lend their support to this highly worthwhile medical and art project.



DR. MURRAY PRESENTED PURNELL AWARD

Dr. Richard D. Murray became the second physician to be presented the Frank Purnell Award for community service at an annual award dinner last month held by the Youngstown Jaycees. Dr. John N. McCann was so honored several years ago.

Dr. Murray was selected "for his interest in music and sculpture and for his work with cleft palate which has helped many families." The presentation was made by William J. Wardle, Jaycee president, and Mrs. Frank Purnell.

Occasion for the award was the annual Bosses Night Dinner of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, held at the Voyager on Oct. 13. Also honored was Howard Moff, who received a trophy as outstanding young farmer.

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FROM THE BULLETIN**THIRTY YEARS AGO—NOVEMBER 1936**

The fall found the air buzzing with politics. Governor Alf Landon of Kansas was opposing Franklin D. Roosevelt for his second term and Doctors were urged to get out and vote. R. G. Mossman, a cousin of Mr. Landon was with him in Topeka on election night.

New medical developments in 1936 were: the use of Mandelic Acid in treating urinary tract infections, hyperpyrexia treatment of undulant fever and the use of Protamine-Zinc Insulin in diabetes.

Butter was 40 cents a pound. Farm labor got \$2.00 a day. Office visits were \$2.00 and house calls \$3.00.

Sam Goldberg opened his office in the Central Tower. Wendell Bennett was back to work after a severe illness. John Rogers and Blodwyn James were married last July. The Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company invited the doctors to lunch and a tour of the new continuous strip mill.

TWENTY YEARS AGO—NOVEMBER 1946

Dr. Robert S. Palmer of Boston addressed the Society that month on "Arterial Hypertension." The Trumbull County Medical Society held its Post-Graduate Day in Warren with a group from the Lahey Clinic.

Dr. A. E. Brant published a proposed amendment to the By-Laws providing for election of officers by ballot by mail. Dr. Bunn announced the initiation of a nationwide program of public education on diseases of the heart by the American Heart Association. Dr. Rappoport recommended that the Society should further a program of mass vaccination against influenza. Drs. Gustafson and Tims were urging action to control rabies which "is a record of disgrace in any civilized community." Paul Harvey said that every time a physician appears to demand all that the traffic will bear, he makes a new supporter for socialized medicine.

At the October meeting, the members voted to raise fees for office calls to \$3.00 and day home calls (7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.) to \$4.00. In doing this they did not seem to realize that they were establishing an official working day of eleven hours for doctors.

The Society mourned the passing of Dr. W. M. Rosenblum who was chief of the medical staff at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

TEN YEARS AGO—NOVEMBER 1956

President DeCicco said "Let us put thanks and giving back into Thanksgiving!"

Asher Randall wrote: "The County Medical Society is the bulwark for the physician. If the Society fails, we are left without a single means of expressing our wishes, uniting in a common cause, acting for the common good or joining together for whatever the purpose may be."

Speaking to the new interns Hap Hathhorn said: "We doctors have the inherent ability to place our hands into our patient's pockets, figuratively speaking and draw out sums of money in the ordering of drugs, laboratory procedures, X rays, etc. This calls for considerable judgment. Rarely does an 'across the board' ordering of laboratory procedures add to the diagnosis. However, expense is of secondary concern in the seriously ill. The most costly of drugs or technical examinations are to be used when indicated for the patient's welfare."

Sidney Franklin addressed the American Board of Legal Medicine at the meeting in Chicago.

The annual Post-Graduate Day of the Sixth District held at the Stambaugh Auditorium drew an attendance of 551 physicians.

Dr. Harry Patrick died after forty-seven years of practice. In the days when nearly every doctor did general practice he was the leading obstetrician, yet frequently called in medical consultations. A loyal alumnus of Michigan, where he played varsity football, he headed the local Michigan Club on their annual trips to football games which are legendary. He served

as President, Editor of the Bulletin and representative to the Associated Hospital Service.

Sam Schwebel died in October after only four years in his speciality of Dermatology. He was a member of the well known Schwebel family and was loved and respected by his colleagues and patients in Youngstown. He served as a Commander in the Navy in World War II.

Dr. R. J. Scheetz was appointed medical advisor to the new Muscular Dystrophy Association.

New members were: John G. Guju, David Shapira, and Kurt Wegner.

Footnote from the Bulletin: Many people are like processed coffee: 98% of the active ingredient has been removed from the bean.

—J. L. F.

PHYSICIAN'S SON IS WAR HERO

The Vindicator recently headlined the exploits of another physician's son, when the war record of 1st. Lt. Peter D. Bernstein was featured under the heading, "Youngstown's War Hero." Lt. Bernstein is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Leon Bernstein.

Flying as a forward air controller in Viet Nam, Lt. Bernstein was so effective that the Viet Cong offered \$20,000 for his death, four times the usual price. Lt. Bernstein has earned 31 Air Medals, Two Purple Hearts, two Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry, a Bronze Star, two Distinguished Flying Crosses, the Vietnamese Medal of Honor and a nomination for the Silver Star. He was home on a recent 35-day leave after flying 750 missions, and has now been sent to Elgin Air Force Base, Florida, to teach forward air control pilots.

Lt. Bernstein had previously been in the news with his personal campaign to collect and distribute candy and toys to Viet Nam youngsters.

DR. JOHNSON NAMED CORONER DEPUTY

Dr. William R. Johnson has joined the staff of Mahoning County Coroner, Dr. David A. Belinky, as deputy coroner. Other physicians on the staff are Dr. Nathan Belinky and Dr. Joseph Colla.

Dr. Johnson is a new member of the Mahoning County Medical Society. He attended Penn State University and received his medical degree from Hahnemann Medical College in 1961. He was an intern and resident at St. Elizabeth Hospital and has opened his office for the practice of internal medicine at 318 Fifth Ave.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Woman's Auxiliary announces that December, 1966, is the deadline date for participation in the AMA-ERF Christmas Card Program.

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MASTECTOMY PROGRAMS NEXT WEEK

Two special meetings on the subject of mastectomy rehabilitation will be open to interested doctors, their wives and families. The first will be at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 15, at St. Elizabeth Hospital. The second will be at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 16 at South Side Hospital. Mrs. Desese Lasser, founder of the "Reach to Recovery" organization, will present the program. All members are invited to attend either meeting.



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MEDICARE MUSINGS

The Medicare Law, in Section 1801, specifically provides there shall be no interference in the practice of medicine by any officer or agency of the Federal government. Evidence is now mounting, around the country, that such interference, indeed, is occurring, and evidence is steadily mounting that the Federal government itself is guilty of violating the law.

In the City of New York, any physician who cares for a patient under Title 19 of the Medicare Law *must* accept the *assignment*, and such assignment must be turned over to the hospital. In the City of New York the great majority of the hospitals are municipally owned and operated. Recent decisions by the City and State of New York take away the physicians free choice of direct billing. If he refuses to accept the assignment he loses his hospital privileges. This is interference in the practice of medicine.

Here in Ohio the State Welfare Department has decreed that physicians must accept assignments under all areas of Welfare jurisdiction, including Aid for Aged, Aid to Dependent Children, Child Welfare, Aid to the Blind, Deaf, etc. The Medicare Law clearly gives the physician the option of direct billing or acceptance of assignments. In Ohio, however, as in many other states, doctors *must take the assignment - or nothing*. This is interference in the practice of medicine.

In the State of Massachusetts, during this past month, a new form prepared by the HEW department has appeared on the scene. This form, for out-patient laboratory procedures - *in six copies* - requires the physician to place the primary diagnosis, the secondary diagnosis, the reasons for ordering the test, and certification of necessity. This form is used if a urinalysis, hemoglobin or any other laboratory procedure is desired and is performed in a hospital laboratory. *Failure to complete this form may mean loss of hospital privileges*. This is clearly interference in the practice of medicine.

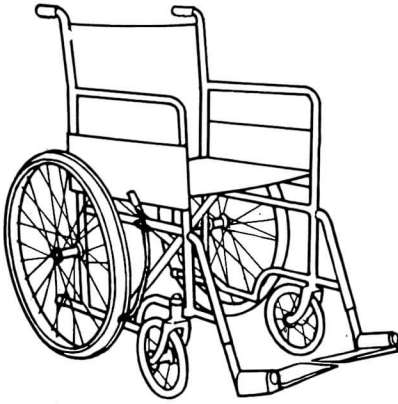
Dr. Edward R. Annis, who spoke to the Mahoning County Medical Society recently, told of a conversation he had with a good friend who worked in the Department of HEW in Washington. This highly placed and trusted friend told Dr. Annis that the plan of Mr. Wilbur J. Cohen, Undersecretary of HEW, is to coerce doctors into signing certification forms for admission to hospitals - always with the threat of losing their hospital privileges if they refuse. If this maneuver is successful, the second phase which is already in the works, is to force doctors to order drugs by their generic, rather than by their trade names. This again would be enforceable by loss of hospital privileges. The third step in the control of the medical profession, would be to compel doctors to accept assignments of fees for all patients who are hospitalized. Failure to comply would mean loss of hospital privileges. This impeccable source, according to Dr. Annis, assures physicians that these three steps will be implemented within a period of six months to two years—*unless doctors everywhere resist*.

Doctors can resist simply by refusing to sign any form with the imprimatur of HEW on it, or any form not approved by the County or State Medical Societies. Any physician who is in doubt should contact the office of the County Medical Society, or its president for clarification regarding the signing of forms. No physician wants to lose his hospital privileges. But many thoughtful and perceiving physicians are prepared to do so in defense of their medical and personal freedom. Public outcry against such unwarranted hospital action should, indeed, deter hospital administrators from placing themselves in an untenable position. —Jack Schreiber, M.D.

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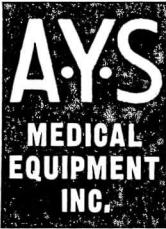
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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Oct. 11, 1966

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1966, at the Mural Room, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: F. A. Resch, presiding, L. P. Caccamo, F. A. Friedrich, Frank Gelbman, R. L. Jenkins, R. B. McConnell, John J. McDonough, R. D. Murray, J. V. Newsome, C. E. Pichette, M. C. Raupple, H. J. Reese, F. L. Schellhase, C. W. Stertzbach, J. W. Tandatnick, Kurt Wegner, Henry Holden and S. F. Petraglia. Also present were: Dr. R. W. Fenton, Dr. Sidney Franklin and Mr. James Jackson. Absent were: Drs. Bertram Katz, Jack Schreiber and C. K. Walter.

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m.

Dr. Resch announced the appointment of a Measles Committee consisting of Dr. Wegner, chairman, Dr. Petraglia, Dr. Wiltsie and Dr. McGregor.

Dr. Wegner reviewed the background concerning current measles campaigns, particularly in regard to Allegheny County and the State of Rhode Island. He introduced Mr. James Jackson, coordinator of immunization programs for the Ohio Department of Health. Dr. Wegner recommended a one day measles campaign to be held both in doctors' offices and in clinics. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the Measles Committee recommendations be implemented.

Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that each bill be paid.

The minutes of the Sept. 30th special meeting were read and approved. The minutes of the Sept. 13th regular meeting were read and approved.

The following applications were presented by the censors and read by the executive secretary:

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

Dr. Richard Ebie, 803 Home Savings and Loan Bldg., Youngstown
Dr. Clayton A. Hixson, St. Elizabeth Hospital, Youngstown
Dr. George T. Szaboky, 21 N. Wickliffe Circle, Youngstown

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Dr. John K. Altier, 121 E. Liberty St., Girard
Dr. Barry Decker, Youngstown Hospital Association, Youngstown
Dr. A. T. Deramo, 510 Gypsy Lane, Youngstown
Dr. William T. Martin, 26 E. Wilson Ave., Girard
Dr. Danilo Antonio Salcedo, 932 Belmont Ave., Youngstown
Dr. John B. Werning, 2516 Market St., Youngstown

INTERN-RESIDENT MEMBERSHIP

Dr. Hudnall Johnson Lewis, Youngstown Hospital Association

Applications were approved. The above applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society within fifteen days after publication in the Bulletin, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary during that time.

The Medical Dental Bureau "any doctor call" reports for September were passed around for council members to see.

Dr. Resch announced the appointment of a Hospital Committee consisting of Dr. Pichette, chairman, and Dr. Bloomberg, vice-chairman, with Dr. Nelson, Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Petraglia, Dr. Saadi and Dr. Calder serving on the committee.

A letter was read from Dr. Wiltsie, chairman of the Pre-school Health Committee concerning suggestions for the First Step program in the schools next year. Following discussion, Dr. Stertzbach asked that certain pertinent questions be asked concerning this year's program. A letter containing the questions will be sent to Dr. Wiltsie.

Dr. Resch announced the Nominating Committee to be: Dr. Resch, Dr. McDonough, Dr. Robert Fisher, Dr. McCann, Dr. Nelson and Dr. Ondash. The

motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the Committee be approved.

Dr. Resch announced the program for the Oct. 18 meeting of the Medical Society, and tentative plans for a joint meeting of the Corydon Palmer Dental Society and the Medical Society on Thursday, Nov. 10, with the Medical Society to hold nominations and a program after the joint meeting. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the Medical Society hold its regular meeting on the regularly scheduled night, Tues. Nov. 15, and that the joint meeting be as scheduled on Nov. 10.

Dr. Resch made a report for the Appointing Committee of the Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation. He announced a \$500 loan to be presented this year to one of two students under consideration. The Appointing Committee recommended the abolishment of the Scholarship Committee due to duplication of effort and of personnel. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the Committee recommendation be approved.

Dr. Resch requested approval of council to send hospital chaplains to an AMA sponsored Medicine and Religion meeting, and to pay \$150 to each for expenses, as a project of the current public relations program. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the offer be extended to three chaplains, one of each Faith.

Dr. Jenkins, public relations chairman, reviewed the Medical Society activities for Community Health Week.

Dr. Reese reported on his knowledge of a proposed medical school for Youngstown. He made a resolution concerning medical society support for development of a medical school in Youngstown. The motion was seconded. Following discussion, the motion was tabled.

The motion was then made, seconded and duly passed that the Mahoning County Medical Society go on record as expressing interest in the concept of a medical school in Mahoning County, and that we favor the appointment of a committee to study the feasibility and to work with interested parties now involved in the establishment of a medical school.

The original motion made by Dr. Reese was removed from the table. The same motion was then defeated.

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DIABETES WEEK NOV. 13 - 19

The annual Diabetes Detection Drive, sponsored in Mahoning County by the Mahoning County Medical Society in conjunction with the American Diabetes Association, will take place the week of Nov. 13-19.

Diabetes detection and informational material has been delivered to the physicians' offices by members of the Woman's Auxiliary. They took the opportunity of their visits to pick up unwanted drug samples to be used for needy persons at home and abroad under their World Relief Program.

Dr. Henry Holden, diabetes chairman, reminds all members to encourage diabetes tests during the week, to make tests without charge, to keep a record of the total tests and new positives and to send the results to the medical society office for tabulation.

In addition to Dr. Holden, members of the Diabetes Week committee are Dr. Genevieve Delfs, Dr. William Cleary, and Dr. Milton Yarmy. The committee will discuss diabetes on the radio program, Diagnosis, on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

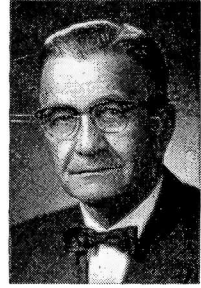
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	Resident		Non-Resident		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Births	101	123	151	142	517
Deaths	78	56	60	43	237
Infant Deaths	4	2	2	—	8

SEPTEMBER, 1965

Births	100	84	102	120	426
Deaths	88	55	58	36	237
Infant Deaths	3	2	3	1	9

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

	1966		1965	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Tuberculosis	1	0	7	0
Gonorrhoea	9	0	18	0
Syphilis	15	0	6	0
Infectious Hepatitis	0	0	2	0
Rheumatic Fever	0	0	0	0
Meningococcic Meningitis	1	0	0	0

VENEREAL DISEASES

	Male	Female	
New Cases			
Syphilis	3	3	
Gonorrhoea	12	10	
Total patients			28
Total visits (patients)			121

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SQUIBB NOTES ON THERAPY

“‘Tranquilizer’ is not a good word”¹

“This classification is psychologically too seductive, pharmacologically too unspecific, and in terms of results not infrequently untrue.”²

What is a tranquilizer? According to the 24th Edition of Dorland’s Medical Dictionary³ a tranquilizer is “an agent which acts on the emotional state, quieting or calming the patient without affecting clarity of consciousness.”

Defining a drug by its effects, however, can be misleading. The same effects by which the dictionary defines a tranquilizer have sometimes been seen after administration of a sedative — or, for that matter, a placebo.

Ambiguous though the term may be, it appears to be here to stay. The 1966 edition of the Physicians’ Desk Reference⁴ lists 42 tranquilizers indicated for treatment of anxiety and apprehensive states.

‘Tranquilizers’ have differences in action, differences in effect

Although all tranquilizers are intended to calm anxious patients there are differences in their actions — and in their effects. They have been divided into three categories—the rauwolfia group, the ‘minor’ tranquilizers, and the phenothiazines.⁵

Although the tranquilizing effect of rauwolfia has been known for centuries, its use as an antipsychotic agent in current practice has diminished.⁵

A ‘minor’ tranquilizer is often prescribed to achieve more than one effect. Thus, besides being tranquilizers some of these compounds may be muscle relaxants, antihistaminics with some calming action, anticholinergic sedatives, or antispasmodics.⁵

The phenothiazines are considered ‘major’ tranquilizers because they alter psychotic behavior.¹ This classification may have done them more harm than good because it implies that the phenothiazines should be reserved for the more severely disturbed. This is not necessarily true.

The phenothiazines — and the problem of sedation

One of the problems of prescribing phenothiazines for ambulatory patients has been the fear that excessive sedation will impair the patient’s ability to function. This, however, is less of a problem with some of the phenothiazines.

“Clinically they may be differentiated primarily in terms of their potency and the extent of their sedative effect, which appear to be inversely proportional. That is, the least potent, the one which is used in highest dosage, chlorpromazine, is the most sedative, while the reverse holds true for fluphenazine.”⁶

In a recent report on various studies conducted over several years evaluating 360 patients treated for anxiety and stress with seven phenothiazines, this inverse relationship of potency to sedation was confirmed.⁷ Also

under consideration was the degree to which the particular phenothiazines neutralized anxiety (the angolytic index). Interestingly enough there was, again, an inverse relationship. The most sedative of the phenothiazines appeared to be the least active in neutralizing anxiety. Fluphenazine, one of the least sedative,

on the other hand, was found to be most effective in relieving anxiety.⁷

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Triflupromazine	100	15	25 mgs.
Thioridazine	90	17	25 mgs.
Perphenazine	15	25	4 mgs.
Carphenazine	25	25	25 mgs.
Trifluoperazine	3.3	95	2.0 mgs.
Fluphenazine *	3.5	100	2.5 mgs.

*adapted from Sainz⁷

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