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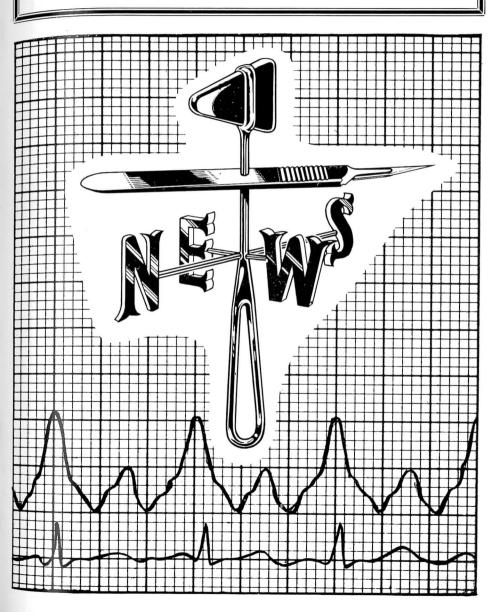
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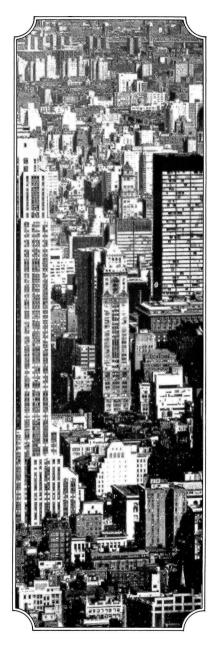
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# From the Desk of the President

For many years we have been hearing of an impending shortage of medical students as our nation's medical schools continue to increase in number and admit greater numbers of applicants. While such a shortage is possible in the future, it is thus far not true, according to William Hubbard, Jr. dean of one of our medical schools. Writing in the March 1969 issue of "Pathologist", pages 88-94, he states that all our medical schools are full.

and there is no shortage of students at this time.

As the cost of a medical school education continues to rise, the great problem confronting large numbers of medical students is how to obtain sufficient funds to pay the bills till graduation. According to the Medical Education Number of the A.M.A. Journal of November 25, 1968 (page 2018) "In the past academic year (1967-68), more than 40% of all medical students attending our 94 medical schools, borrowed over 15 million dollars under programs sponsored by the federal government. This represented more than two thirds of the loans made by medical students and three fourths of all the money borrowed during the year. The average loan was \$1000. The balance of the money borrowed in 1967-68 originated in medical school and state resources, and 1237 loans were made to students under guarantees of the A.M.A. Education and Research Foundation (AMA-ERF). The trend indicates an increasing amount of money is being borrowed by medical students under loan-guarantee programs sponsored by federal and state governments and a relatively lesser amount through auspices, such as AMA-ERF."

If medical school tuition and other costs for students continue to increase, it is easily conceivable that our actual shortage of medical students may occur, due to the inability of many students to financially afford a medical education. If this problem is not soon solved by private voluntary initiative, then it is a fairly good assumption that because of the trend mentioned above, the federal and/or state governments will take over the complete

subsidization of medical students.

The danger of such a situation is that it easily lends itself to welding another link into the chain of complete governmental control of the medical profession in this country. This is no specter for the future, no figment of the imagination, because part of it is already here! The proof of this latter statement is the fact that the New York State Legislature has just passed and Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller has just signed a bill to require every medical school operated by New York State to establish a department of general practice, to be headed by a general practitioner and to teach "family care" (See "Hospital Tribune," April 21, 1969, pages 3 and 11). While such instruction in medical schools is commendable, the threat of state legislatures or the federal government dictating the curricula of medical schools is the real danger! To quote the Hospital Tribune "The old saw of 'who pays the piper, calls the tune' will truly come into operation."

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### Editorial

In place of the editorial usually appearing in this spot in the Bulletin, we are printing the following letter from a member:

At the April meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society, the following reflections were made:

1. This was probably the most boring meeting I've ever attended.

2. The attendance was horrible.

3. The speaker gave a very inadequate speech; especially for the stipend of \$250.00.

 I do not blame the members of the society for not supporting the society because I feel it's very discouraging to give up four hours

of our valuable time for such a project.

I counted the 34 members out or our 328, and thought — you really can't blame the members, but probably the program chairman. As I am the program chairman, I can criticize myself freely and hope I will gain some constructive ideas from other members so I might improve the quality of the meetings.

I can probably forecast what will go on at any meeting. The same man will make a motion; the same other man will make a point of order; the

same members of the society will talk and talk and talk and talk.

Out of the 34 members who were at the last meeting, four slept during the whole meeting; including the man whose appointment to a committee took over 20 minutes of discussion.

I feel that some steps should be made to change the format of these

meetings, so that

 everyone will attempt to come; more important, want to come to the meetings

. the problems of the medical society will be crystallized in short

and concise presentations

 the projects and discussions of the council will be forwarded to every member of the society so that they may digest them before the meetings

4. the younger and newer members should be encouraged to become

involved

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It behooves us then to promote every effort to enlarge private loan funds available to medical students, to the point, that if necessary, all medical students can have loans available for their complete four years of medical school, such loans to be repaid gradually after graduation. An even better alternative would be an extensive system of free scholarships for large numbers of, if not all medical students, donated by privately operated foundations throughout the country. The price of preservation of freedom comes high, and the medical profession would do well to seriously consider this problem and do more in the future than it is currently doing about it.

—Joseph W. Tandatnick, M.D. President

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The only way this last suggestion can be realized is by forcing the members of the council to resign after a period of five years. I really don't think any one member of the society, or any member within a group of the society is that important to the society as a whole.

We need more involvement by many more members, so we will have  $\alpha$  continuing infusion of new blood and ideas.

As program chairman for the remainder of this year, I would welcome any suggestion and/or criticism from any of our members, and will do all I can to make our society an alive and valuable service again.

I hope this letter is taken in the proper context by all who may read it, because I feel this society; both individually and collectively, must work together in order to practice medicine in the best possible way that we can.

Any suggestions can be made directly to me or through the Medical Society office.

Sincerely yours, H. L. Shorr, M.D.

Let's all get behind our program chairman and get those suggestions in to him or to the Medical Society office.

### MEDICAL SCHOOL REPORT HEARD

The Medical School Committee met on Wednesday, April 23, to hear a preliminary report on the Feasibility Study being prepared by Booz, Allen and Hamilton. The presentation was made by Dr. Charles Edwards and Mr. Robert Kasbohm of that organization.

In attendance were Dr. A. L. Pugsley, president, and Dr. W. H. Coffield, dean, Youngstown State University, Dr. L. P. Caccamo, chairman, and members of the Medical School Committee, and Dr. J. W. Tandatnick, president of the Medical Society.

The study was extensive and took about three hours for presentation and answering of questions. An important part of the study is still being developed and will be included in the final report which is expected in May.

The Youngstown Area Chamber of Commerce availed themselves of the opportunity for a first-hand report, and had Dr. Edwards as speaker at the monthly Early Bird Breakfast on the following day. Dr. Edwards presented a capsule outline of the medical school situation to a large crowd at this meeting and was extremely well received.

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(Editor's note: The following article was submitted by Judge Henderson to acquaint physicians with adoption laws in those family situations where they might be called upon for advice.)

Under the laws of Ohio the probate court is vested with exclusive jurisdiction over proceedings for the adoption of children. The petition for adoption may be filed by a husband and wife jointly, by a stepparent, or any other proper person, in the probate court of the county in which the petitioner resides or in which the child was born or resides. Stepparent adoptions, or those pertaining to the children of the adopting parents' spouses, do not, of course, involve pre-adoption placements, although investigations and reports

are made by court-appointed "next friends".

Certain agencies are certified by the Division of Social Administration of the State of Ohio for the placement of children in homes for adoption. In Mahoning County these are the Mahoning County Child Welfare Board, a governmental agency, and the following Red Feather agencies: Catholic Service League; Children's and Family Service; and Jewish Family and Children's Service. The Child Welfare Board makes no charge for its services, but the others charge varying amounts depending upon the particular circumstances. All of these organizations have highly qualified professional staffs. Their preplacement and follow up investigations, visitations and reports are most thorough, and every precaution is taken to safeguard the welfare of the child.

Generally the placing of a child for adoption by anyone other than a duly certified adoption agency, such as the above, is prohibited by Ohio law which provides for penalties up to \$1,000 or six months' imprisonment, or both. Although the probate court may ultimately approve in the adoption proceedings a placement originally made in violation of law where such is in the best interest of the child, nevertheless the offense itself remains contrary to the policy and the letter of the law. (R.C. 5103.16, 5103.99)

In the rare case in which a private or independent placement is unavoidable, the initial illegality may be avoided by the approval of the probate court before the placement actually takes place. This necessitates the filing of an application by the natural parents or parent (usually the mother) after the child is born and the appearance of the applicant before the Court. The court should be notified of the application before it is filed and before the child is born so that an investigation can be pre-arranged, and a report completed and decision rendered promptly after the hearing. Neither the mother need know the identity of the adopting parents, nor need the adopting parents know the identity of the natural mother.

In addition to the above provisions relating to domestic placements, a child from a foreign country may not be placed for adoption except by a custodian certified by the Ohio Division of Social Administration. A child from another state may not be placed in a home for adoption without the prior approval of the Ohio Department of Public Welfare which may require the

posting of a guaranty bond. (R.C. 5103.16, 2151.39)

The policy of the Mahoning County Probate Court is strongly to encourage placements by certified adoption agencies. Placements by others than such agencies should be submitted to the probate court for approval before they are made, and upon a showing of justification for the non-agency placement. Placements made in violation of law will not be subsequently approved except in extremely extenuating circumstances. This policy has no application to stepparent adoptions.

Charles P. Henderson Probate Judge Mahoning County, Ohio



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### MEDICAL SOCIETY HONORS SCHOLARSHIP

Physicians of the Mahoning County Medical Society were hosts to fortyfour top students from Mahoning County's twenty-two high schools at the third annual Scholarship Dinner, held May 1st at the Mural Room.

Speaker was James L. Startzell, Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation office in Cleveland. He spoke about the

changing problems of the FBI in a changing society.

Sixteen physicians were in attendance to sit with the student guests. Also attending were Dr. Joseph W. Tandatnick, president, and Dr. Robert L. Jenkins, president-elect. Dr. Samuel F. Petraglia presided as public relations chairman.

Ceremonies included the presentation to each student of a pin and a certificate enrolling him in the Mahoning County Medical Society Roster of Scholars. A list of the students receiving 1969 honors is printed on the page opposite.

### In Memoriam

### EDWARD J. REILLY, M.D. 1897 - 1969

Dr. Edward J. Reilly was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society in 1946. The title of one of his first president's pages in the *Bulletin* was typical. It said, in large black type, "War on Tuberculosis." Dr. Reilly took a strong stand against things he believed to be wrong. He was against Tuberculosis, Cancer, and Socialized Medicine, with equal indignation. He also took a strong stand for the things he believed to be right He fervently stood up for good medical practice, medical education of students, and for the people of the City of Campbell, where he was health commissioner.

Dr. Reilly was born at Newport News, Virginia. He was graduated from Rock Hill College, Maryland. He served in the U. S. Navy in World War I. His medical degree was conferred at Georgetown University School of Medicine in 1920. After interning at St. Elizabeth Hospital, he set up an office for the general practice of medicine in Campbell in 1921 and served the

people of that community until his death.

Dr. Reilly held a number of offices in the Mahoning County Medical Society. He was president of the Mahoning Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice in 1948. He was president of the Mahoning Tuberculosis and Health Association for four years. He was school physician for the

Campbell schools. He believed in serving his fellow man.

One of his favorite projects was the Medical Service Foundation, of which he was founder, and which he served as president for most of the 15 years of its existance. During this time, the Foundation made numerous liberal loans to medical students, nurses and technicians, and to Youngstown College. Several physicians practicing in Youngstown today received substantial help from that Foundation. Dr. Reilly was again president in 1966 when the decision was made to discontinue the Foundation due to lack of funds formerly available. The money remaining was used to form the new Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation, which is carrying on the work of Dr. Reilly and his colleagues by making loans to medical students.

of Dr. Reilly and his colleagues by making loans to medical students.

Dr. Reilly made a place for himself in Campbell and in Mahoning County, and he will be sorely missed. By his actions, he helped to determine the course of Medicine in the Mahoning Valley. Others may carry on where

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### PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL APRIL 8, 1969

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, April 8, 1969, at the Mural Room, Youngs-

town, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: J. W. Tandatnick, president, presiding: J. J. Anderson, Louis Bloomberg, K. E. Camp, L. P. Caccamo, D. J. Dallis, G. E. DeCicco, R. R. Fisher, F. A. Friedrich, R. L. Jenkins, J. C. Melnick, R. D. Murray, C. E. Pichette, M. C. Raupple, F. L. Schellhase, Jack Schreiber, Kurt Wegner, S. V. Squicquero, R. A. Wiltsie and L. J. Zehr. Also present was Dr. Edward Kessler. Absent were: Henry Holden, J. V. Newsome, S. F. Petraglia and E. T. Saadi.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The minutes of the pre-

vious meeting were read and approved.

The following applications were presented by the censors:

### **ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP**

J. Ivan Gonzalez, M.D., Youngstown Hospital Association C. H. McGowen, M.D., 275 W. Federal St.

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

George Robert Barton

The 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.

Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that

each bill be paid.

The Medical-Dental Bureau any doctor call report was passed around for

each member to see.

Dr. Kessler, chairman, reported on the first meeting of the Medical Society's new Health Planning Committee and outlined the objectives for the next meeting to be held on April 30.

Dr. Bloomberg reported on the special meeting of council with representatives of the Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association, the council of the Trumbull County Medical Society and both the Mahoning and Trum-

bull Osteopathic groups.

Dr. Tandatnick reported on a meeting, April 8, with the Board of Trustees of the MVHPA, at which time he made a direct request for more physician representation on the Board of Trustees. The Board promised to take the request under consideration.

At the April 15 meeting of the Medical Society, Dr. Tandatnick will report on the MVHPA. Dr. Schreiber will bring up the resolutions which the Mahoning County Medical Society has sent to the Ohio State Medical Association.

Dr. Caccamo made a report for the Medical School Committee, of which he is chairman. He announced that Booz, Allen and Hamilton would be making a report to the Committee on April 23, and that Dr. Edwards would stay over to address the Chamber of Commerce at an Early Bird Breakfast on April 24. Other matters pertaining to the proposed fifth medical school were discussed. It was noted that physicians, hospital people and legislators from Mahoning County and the rest of the Sixth District would be invited to a May 9 meeting at Congress Lake to hear Dr. Ed Annis speak. The cost of the dinner is being assumed by Kent State University. The invitation would not be issued to Mahoning County unless council approved. The motion was made by Dr. Fisher and properly seconded that council approve the invitation for Mahoning County. Motion was passed.

The motion was made by Dr. Caccamo and properly seconded that representatives to the Sixth District Medical School Committee be sent an agenda

before they would attend a meeting. Motion was passed.

Dr. Westbrook, who had come into the meeting, announced the April 23 meeting for delegates, alternates, and officers at Congress Lake, prior to the OSMA meeting. He discussed that fact that his own term of office as Sixth District Councilor was finished and that Dr. Lieber of Canton and Dr. Dobkin of Akron were candidates for the position.

Dr. DeCicco announced that he had written to all the delegates and alternates in the district concerning the candidacy of Dr. Schreiber for the

position of Alternate Delegate to the AMA.

Council discussed the candidacies of Drs. Lieber and Dobkin and felt

that the delegates should use their own judgment.

It was noted that the next meeting of council would normally fall on May 13, at which time, a number of members would be at the OSMA meeting. The motion was made by Dr. DeCicco and properly seconded that the date be changed at the discretion of the president. Motion was passed.

Dr. Pichette introduced discussion concerning the possibility of the Mahoning County Medical Society participating in an Economic Cooperative. It was

suggested that information might be obtained concerning this.

Dr. Tandatnick asked for good council attendance at the next meeting of the Medical Society, where Mr. Herndon will be the speaker.

Meeting was adjourned.

-Howard Rempes Executive Secretary



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The Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation has received notification of its tax-exempt status and can now receive tax-exempt gifts for the purpose of making loans to medical students.

Members of the Mahoning County Medical Society are encouraged to make contributions to the Foundation. Doctors are also encouraged to arrange

to bequeath a gift to the Foundation.

The Foundation is now in the process of making its third loan to  $\alpha$ medical student. The first two loans were to Mr. Stephen J. Napolitano, Creighton School of Medicine, and to Mr. Kenneth Blissenbach, Ohio State U. School of Medicine.

The nature of the loans are such as to encourage recipients to return

to Mahoning County to practice medicine.

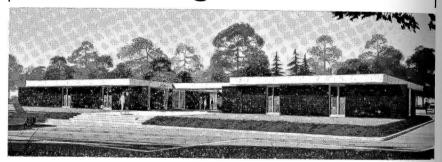
Inquiries and applications for loans are being received at the Medical Society office.

### EIGHT ELECTED HONORARY MEMBERS

Eight members of the Mahoning County Medical Society were elected to Honorary Membership at the April 15th meeting. Seven are retired from active practice. The eighth, Dr. Harold J. Reese, was honored as a pastpresident who has moved out of Mahoning County. He is located at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant, where he is in charge of the Student Health Service.

The other new Honorary Members are: Dr. E. C. Baker, Dr. P. L. Boyle, Dr. E. Dilorio, Dr. R. P. Meader, Dr. Saul Tamarkin, Dr. E. R. Thomas and Dr. C. H. Weidenmier.

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## GOVERNMENT STARTS LOOKING OVER PHYSICIANS' SHOULDERS

The first case of government directly policing the delivery of health care under Medicaid has come to light. In September, 1968 the New York City Health Department instituted a program called "Medical Audit." Liberally interpreting Medicaid rules and regulations, the New York City Health Department is actually going into offices of New York City physicians, inspecting confidential patient records and then, at random, having patients reexamined by another physician under the employ of the New York City Health Department.

This action was brought to light in a WCBS-TV program seen in the New York City area. Science Editor, Earl Ubell, reported that 130 general practitioners had been "medically audited for quality control" in the New York City area in the period from September 25 through October 31, 1968. Ubell pointed out that 19,000 physicians are going to feel the first effects of a rather unheralded revolution of health care. He said further, "The New York City Department of Health is going to check up on dcctors' records and evaluate the quality of treatment of patients."

The "medical audit" began first with optometrists, podiatrists and physiotherapists. It has been reported by physicians in New York City and that when little or no objection was raised to this invasion of privacy, the department then depeloped a similar plan for physicians, dentists, pharmacists and

anyone who provided care to Medicaid patients.

The "medical audit": is one of the first concrete examples of invasion of the privacy of the patient-doctor relationship. Despite solemn governmental assurance in 1965 that the passage of the Medicaid and Medicare Law, (Public Law 89-97), would not provide the opening wedge to wholesale interference and control of medical practice, the law is being used for just that.

The "medical audit" if it is successful in New York State, will undoubtedly spread to other states. Physicians here, in Mahoning County and elsewhere need to be constantly vigilant. The law is clear. There shall be no interference by any government agency or individual in the private practice of medicine. Local physicians are encouraged to contact the Medical Society office and report any attempt to interfere with the private practice of medicine.

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### In Memoriam

### JOSEPH B. KUPEC, M.D. 1908 - 1969

An affable, dedicated and conscientious surgeon passed from the local

scene on April 3, 1969.

Dr. Kupec was a graduate of St. Louis University School of Medicine, 1931 then took graduate training in surgery at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Youngstown, Ohio and at Mercy Hospital in Canton, Ohio. He was a member of Local, State and the American Medical Associations, a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a member of its Ohio Chapter from its inception; he was also a member of the Ohio State Surgical Association. He was a verteran of World War II, having served as Captain in the Medical Corps with the Army Air Force Base in Colorado and served with Dr. Truman Blocker with whom he had considerable training in plastic and reconstructive surgery, which he initially practiced in addition to general surgery. He headed the first service in plastic and reconstructive surgery at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

He was a member of the Senior Surgical Staff of St. Elizabeth Hospital, on the Courtesy Surgical Staff of the Youngstown Hospital Association and served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Mahoning County Tuber-

culosis Sanitorium since 1963.

At St. Elizabeth's, he was a willing and indefatigable worker in any hospital project and a loyal, dedicated member of its Medical Staff, which he served with distinction. He was a genial friend of patients, colleagues, nurses, house officers and hospital associates, alike.

In his immediate family, Dr. Kupec is survived by his wife, the former Tillie M. Gaydos and his two children, Capt. Joseph B. Kupec, Jr., U. S. Air Force and Mrs. Judith Ann Dun Lany and one grandchild, Daniel Joseph

Dun Lany.

Dr. Kupec had more than the usual dedication to family, church, profession and community. A quiet, unassuming and dedicated practitioner, his lifetime was marked by constructive service to whatever he applied himself. He represents a real loss to our Society.

### MEDICAL SOCIETY PAMPHLETS AVAILABLE

Still available to members are the two excellent pamphlets recently published by the Mahoning County Medical Society giving information on how

to keep records up to date and how to deal with an emergency.

To receive a copy of "Arranging the Physician's Personal and Office Records," and "Closing the Physician's Office," phone the Medical Society office, 746-8431. The Medical Society has filled requests for the pamphlets all over the United States.

### MCMS STUDIES HEALTH NEEDS

Following discussions concerning the Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association, the Mahoning County Medical Society has formed its own committee for local health planning. Chairman is Dr. Edward Kessler. Committee members include: Dr. J. J. Anderson, Dr. Kurt Wegner, Dr. Louis Bloomberg, Dr. C. A. Hixson, Dr. R. L. Jenkins, Dr. William Johnson, Dr. S. V. Squicquero, Dr. R. A. Wiltsie, Dr. C. W. Stertzbach, Dr. H. L. Allen, Dr. Sidney Franklin and Dr. Charles Waltner.

The committee has been charged with providing a study of Mahoning County health needs and recommending plans by which these needs may

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## FROM THE BULLETIN THIRTY YEARS AGO — MAY 1939

At the Ohio State Medical Convention in Toledo that month, the late Wm. M. Skipp was made president-elect of the State Medical Association. Claude Norris was made a delegate to the AMA. W. K. Allsop was chairman of the Surgical Section and John Noll chairman of the Medical Section.

Wm. H. Evans gave a paper before the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Section. E. C. Goldcamp lead the round table discussion on "Post-Operative Pulmonary Complication". W. H. Bunn presided over the discussion on "Treatment of Nephritic Emergencies" and E. R. Thomas on "Gastro-Intestinal Upsets in Children". Delegates from Mahoning County were Gordon Nelson, Dean Nesbit, W. P. Reilly and Ivan Smith. About 30 members from our Society were there. Bill Welch took third place in the State Golf Championship. He brought home the Senior Cup and the Mills Trophy for the best 18 holes in the morning round.

Our local program that month presented four internes: A. K. Phillips and A. S. Parker from St. Elizabeth's and Myron Owen and Raymond Lupse from the Youngstown Hospital. Dr. Phillips won the first prize of \$15.00 and Parker

took second and \$10.00.

New members that month were Milton M. Yarmy and John S. Goldcamp.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — MAY 1949

Editor Gustafson urged the members to recommend Blue Cross and Blue Shield to their patients, to be especially considerate in the handling of ap-

pointments, night and emergency calls.

Reports from Post-Graduate Day: Dr. Osborne said there are at least 25 allergens in common scaps. Arsenic given systemically may remain in the skin up to 30 years. All moles subject to irritation should be removed. He warned against the use of poison ivy extract in rhus dermatitis. Dr. Talbott said that one can never be sure that a given patient with essential hypertension will respond favorably to any one particular treatment until it has been given an adequate trial. The commonest drugs used then were sulfocyanates and veratrum viride. The Kempner rice diet was in vogue. Roswell Brown said that human bites of the hand usually caused by striking an opponent in the mouth should be debrided but not sutured. In fractures of the hand, wrist or forearm don't neglect exercise of the elbow and shoulder. Dr. Paine said that cancer of the lung showed an alarming increase. In the face of a highly suspicious history but no positive proof an exploratory thoracotomy is indicated. It has no higher mortality than an exploratory laparotomy.

Members sending in reservations for the banquet last month and then failing to attend were being sent bills as the Society paid for their reserva-

tions.

#### TEN YEARS AGO — MAY 1959

President Neidus reported that in the past year \$475,000 was spent for health care by the Mahoning County Welfare Department. \$410,000 went to hospitals, \$20,000 for drugs and doctors received \$48,000 of which \$17,000 went to the Medical Foundation. The doctor's contribution to the Foundation was used for student scholarships and particularly for students at Youngstown University.

C. A. Gustafson received a plaque in honor of seven years of service

on the Council of the Ohio State Medical Association.

There was an interesting article on "Secretory Otitis Media" by J. R. Sofranec.

Herman Allen was certified a member by the American Board of Anesthesiology. Sidney Franklin addressed the Corydon Palmer Society on "The Legal Aspects of Dental Practice".

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### **BULLETIN BOARD**

Dr. Leonard N. Green was elected President-elect of the Ohio Neurological Society,  $\alpha$  new organization encompassing all cities in northern Ohio. The organizational meeting took place at the Cleveland Clinic in March. Dr. Green is  $\alpha$  member of the Board, and will take office as President in two years.

Dr. Winifred Liu has been invited by the Editor of the "Year Book of Obstetrics and Gynecology" to prepare a special article for publication. Dr. Liu has accepted and has submitted an article entitled, "Vaginal Cytology

in the Menopause."

Dr. Robert G. Warnock is the new president of the Youngstown Hospital Association clinical staff, succeeding Dr. D. W. Metcalf. Dr. Frederick L. Schellhase is president-elect and Dr. Henry Holden, secretary-treasurer.

Physicians named to the Eastern Committee of the Northeast Ohio Regional Medical Program are: Dr. Frederick S. Coombs, chairman, Dr. Ben C. Berg, Dr. Edward Kessler, Dr. Henry Holden, Dr. Edmund A. Massullo, Dr. Bertram Katz, Dr. Angelo Riberi, Dr. Leonard Green and Dr. Michael J. Vuksta. The Eastern Committee is comprised of Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana counties.

Dr. Ronald M. Roth has received certification as a Diplomate of the

American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Congratulations!

Members of a new medical advisory committee of the Mahoning County Medical Health and Mental Retardation Board are: Dr. L. P. Caccamo, Dr.

Frank Gelbman, Dr. Robert P. Gilliland and Dr. Lewis K. Reed.

Dr. Sidney Franklin attended the Medicolegal Symposium jointly sponsored by the American Medical Association and the American Bar Association, and a meeting of the American College of Legal Medicine, both held in Las Vegas in March. He was accompanied by Mrs. Franklin.

Dr. Samuel D. Goldberg has been re-elected president of the Jewish

Federation. He has held the office since 1966.

The American College of Radiology has conferred the degree of Fellow upon Dr. Ben S. Brown at the annual meeting of that organization at Atlanta in February. Congratulations!

Dr. D. W. Metcalf was re-elected chairman of the Executive Committee at Youngstown Hospital Association, and Dr. Ulrich H. Boening was named

vice-chairman.

### S. Q. LAYPIUS OBSERVES

Here is a tip for the specialists from an old family doctor who believes

in cordial professional relations.

When any doctor refers a patient to you he should provide you with sufficient background information. If there is some disability outside your field you should be informed.

The referring doctor is entitled to a report. That is elementary.

If the patient requires treatment outside of your field by another specialist, do not send the patient directly to him. That is the prerogative of the primary physician. That is the point where there is disagreement. What you do may be good but the manner of doing it is wrong. Why?

I can cite many instances: Suppose you are a dermatologist. Old Doc Smith sends in one of his old patients with an ulcer on his face. It is a typical basal cell Ca and you think that treatment should be surgical. So you send him to a capable plastic surgeon who removes it and everything is O.K.

But is it? The plastic suregon reports to you. He has no responsibility to old Doc Smith. But what about the family? They ask Doc Smith a hundred questions and he has no information. They are unhappy with him and he is unhappy with you.

Suppose you are an urologist. A family doctor sends you a patient with low back pain, urinary frequency and a moderately enlarged prostate. You treat the prostatis but think the low back pain is musculoskeletal. So you send him to a good orthopedist.

A year later the family doctor is called to see one of the children. He inquires how the father is and is told "He still has trouble with his back, funny you didn't know he had arthritis!"

There is a lesson here for all of us. What this old pro is trying to say is that specialists should not refer patients to other specialists without conulting the family doctor.

Maybe you think the family doctor is done for and he may be, but not in your time.

Maybe you are done for too, as a free practitioner of your specialty. But not in our time, I hope.

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT BULLETIN

#### MARCH, 1969

MARCH, 1909						
	Resident		Non-Resident		Total	
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Births	79	92	10	5 107	383	
Deaths		61	7	4 61	268	
Infant Mortality	1	1	(	0 1	3	
	MARCH,	1968				
Births	93	66	10:	2 96	357	
Deaths	64	59	6	3 46	232	
Infant Mortality	2	1	;	3 1	7	
COMMUNICABLE DISEASES		1969			1968	
		Cases	Deaths	Case	s Deaths	
Chicken Pox		_ 0	0	3	0	
Measles		_ 0	0	1	0	
Mumps		_ 3	0	1	0	
Tuberculosis		_ 5	2	1	0	
Gonorrhea		_ 0	0	27	0	
Syphilis		_ 6	0	4	0	
Infectious Hepatitis		_ 1	0	0	1	
Viral Hepatitis		_ 1	0	0	0	
Influenzal Meningitis			0	0	0	
Viral Meningitis		_ 1	0	0	0	
VENEREAL DISEASES						
New Cases			Male	Female		
Syphilis			2	0		
Gonorrhea			14	11		
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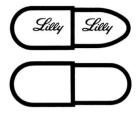
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