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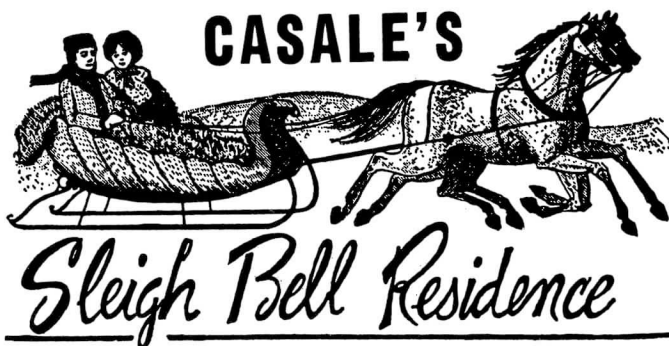
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From the Desk of the President

WHAT'S AT STAKE?

The major issue facing the medical profession at this time is who is going to control the health establishment, the second largest industry of the nation. At stake is the well-being of the American people for generations to come.

Many different groups are vying with each other either alone or in conjunction with the government or one another to bring about change. Besides the Federal Government, there are the labor unions, the Insurance Companies (even the Blues), the American Hospital Association, social-planners, etc. Each has a plan for gaining control of the practice of medicine.

The need for a change in the system of delivery of medical care is predicated on several factors some real, some unreal, some irrelevant but propagandistically valuable. There are charges that the system is not a system; charges of excessive costs; charges of inaccessibility; charges of poor quality; charges of irrelevance; charges of lack of innovation; charges of lack of involvement. There are also charges that would seem to make the medical profession responsible for poverty, for poor housing, for malnutrition, for lack of education, for drug addiction and alcoholism, for boredom in industry, for pollution, for aging—because all of these and others affect the health of the people entrusted to its care (facts known from old but recently rediscovered and refurbished).

These groups seek to control the health establishment variously motivated all the way from a naked search for power up to the most altruistic of reasons.

They have advanced various plans and methods of achieving those plans. Each of these plans needs for its success the control, either totally or in major portion, of the physicians delivering the care to the patient, for without them no plan can work (something to remember whether changes come or not).

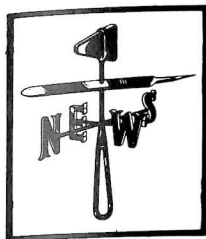
Most, if not all, of the schemes have been tried either here in the United States or in other countries with varying emphasis on different phases and with varying degrees of success and failure. It would do well for us as a nation to investigate them carefully and thereby avoid the expensive folly of embarking on already disproven impractical and ineffective ventures.

In the not too distant future, each of us in the United States (layman and professional) is going to have to make a decision as to whether a drastic change is necessary or desirable. Once that decision to make a change is done, most of us and our progeny will be saddled with it for years to come. A select few will be allowed the privilege of choice outside of it (the rich and the otherwise privileged).

There are many of us practicing physicians (probably a majority) who feel that the present system has, with all its faults, the best possibility of approaching the desired degree of perfection. If this is so, then it is our duty and our moral obligation to defend this system against any and all who would destroy it, and to work within it toward that end.

Once again, at stake is the health of the American People for years to come. This is too precious a heritage to be allowed to be the pawn in the play for power by any group.

—C. Edward Pichette, M.D.
President



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Editorial

Here we are starting a New Year. What lies ahead no one knows for sure, but surely we can control our destiny to some extent; at least we can try!

To look into the immediate past I would like to commend our past Editor for doing a fine job in reporting a history of medicine in Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley. Our thanks to you John Melnick for a job well done. John intends to put forth an occasional article to follow up on his excellent job and we welcome it. I am sure when he puts his labors into book form, we will again welcome it.

Today I will mention some of the thoughts I would like to develop during the coming year. These are trying times for Medicine and for us. I think we will have to do much soul searching to do our best for Medicine and for the people we treat. I think we will have to be ready to stand up for good medicine. This will entail work on our part and also a binding together to get the job done. There is much good in medicine today and we should make it known. There is some bad in medicine and we should try to get rid of it. There is much misinformation about medicine and we should try to get the right information to the people.

The only ones to get this job done is YOU, the practitioners of medicine. We are all so busy, but if you want to get a job done give it to the man who is busy and he will find the time. More important, we are interested in good medicine and not political medicine. Let's stand up and fight for what we know is right.

It is not a question of what we can do, it is a question of what we should do. In unity there is strength, but more important we should remember that we are unique. No one can do our jobs but us and in this we will also find our strength.

The strength we will need to stop the mediocrity of medicine.

The strength we will need to fight the loss of the personal touch in medicine.

The strength we will need to fight the socialization of medicine.

We can; we must; we will.

In conclusion I wish all of you a Happy New Year.

William Moskalik, M.D.
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Dr. Maurice F. Liber presents the OSMA 50-year award to Dr. Herman S. Zeve and to Dr. L. George Coe (right), as Dr. Holden looks on.

Two members received the Ohio State Medical Association fifty-year award at the Dec. 19th meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society. Honored for a half-century of service to medicine were:

L. George Coe, M.D.
Herman S. Zeve, M.D.

Both Dr. Coe and Dr. Zeve spoke and recalled some of the past. They both received standing ovations. The presentation was made by Dr. Maurice F. Lieber, Canton, who is Councilor for the Sixth District, OSMA.

Further nostalgia on the same program was provided by the showing of a 16 mm. film taken of a golf outing of the Medical Society approximately 40 years ago. The film had been made by Dr. Dean Nesbit and was loaned to the Medical Society during its centennial year by Mrs. Nesbit.

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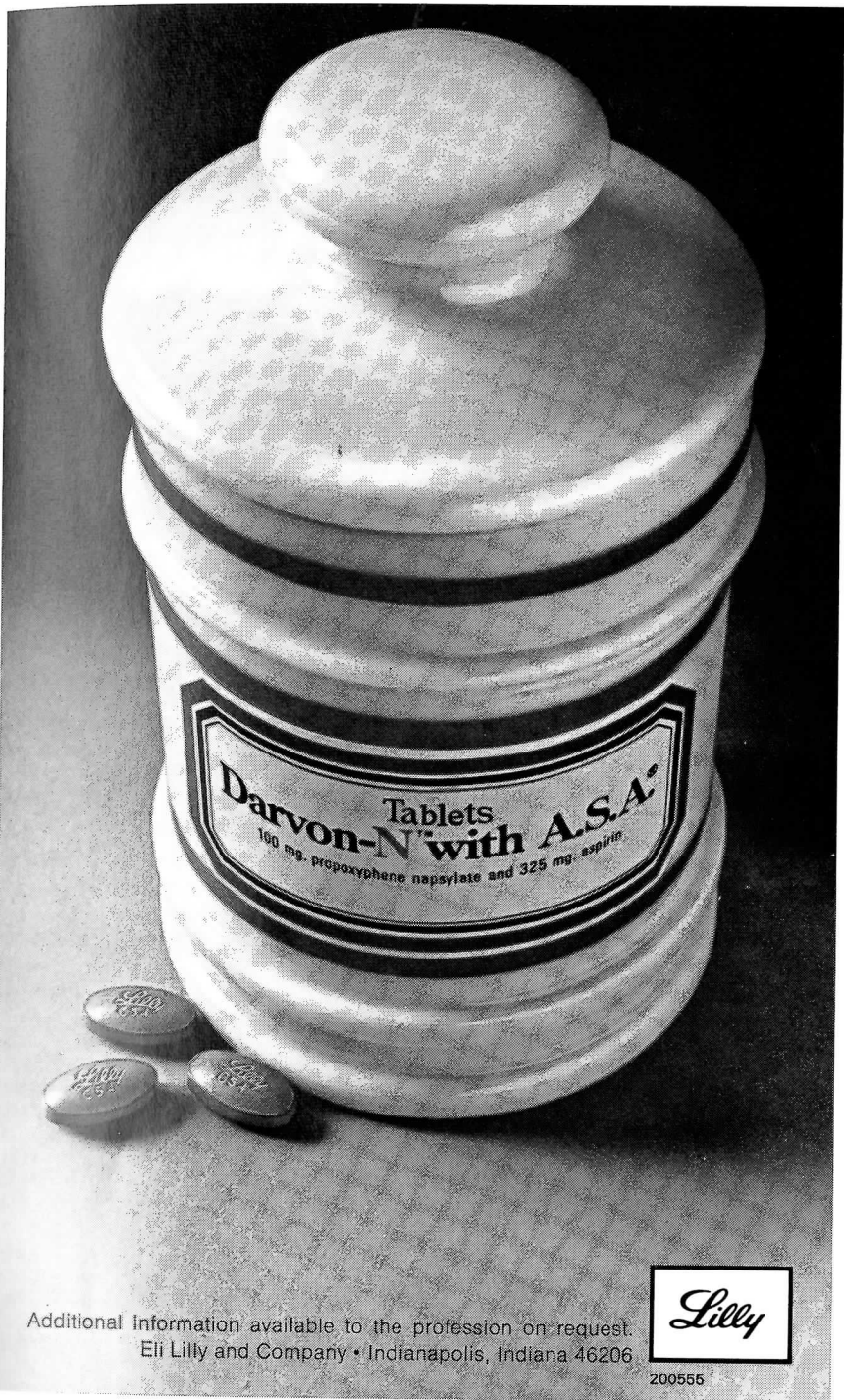
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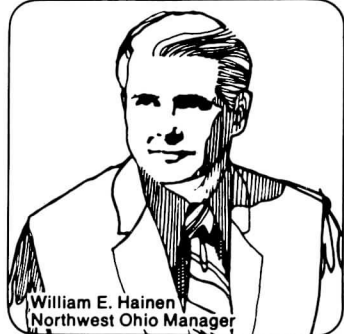
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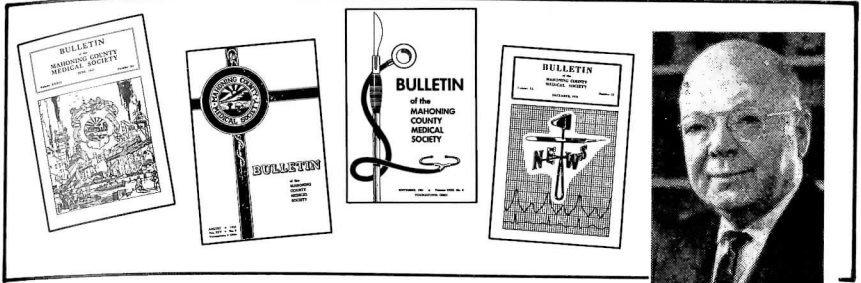
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From the Bulletin

FORTY YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1933

It was the sixty first year of the Medical Society and the second year of the *Bulletin*.

President Harvey wrote, "We cannot look forward to a new year of great prosperity with poverty, unemployment and deflated credit everywhere about us . . . With the inroads of the depression having affected all classes of people we see the medical profession battered to its knees but doing its best to serve this community."

On the recommendation of Council the city closed its dispensary and all indigent sick were referred to the hospital dispensaries. There was no Mahoning County Relief then, no Aid For Aged and no Unemployment Compensation. The doctors agreed to treat their old patients on any basis they could afford but they were feeling the pinch too, with most of their patients unemployed and permitted to draw out only a small amount each month from their savings in the banks.

New members that month were Henry Sisek, Walter Mermis and Peter J. McOwen.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1943

President-Elect Nagel assumed the duties of President. George McKelvey was Secretary, Saul Tamarkin, Treasurer, Bill Bunn (Sr.) headed the program committee and Elmer Wenaas the social committee. Delegates were E. J. Reilly, John McCann and Wm. Skipp. Alternates were James Birch, Pete McOwen and Paul Fuzy.

France, Belgium and Holland had fallen to the Nazis but American forces had landed at Casablanca in November and the Navy had plastered the Japanese fleet at Midway. John R. Buchanan reported for active duty with the Army and J. L. Fisher with the Navy. Louis Deitchman, John Goldstein and Marvin Goldstein wrote to complain about not receiving the *Bulletin*. Tommy Tims was in England, Stan Myers and Bill Evans were in the South Pacific.

Dr. Wm. L. Mermis became a member of the Society.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1953

Vernon Goodwin was the new President and Harold Reese the Editor. Dr. Goodwin was concerned about the many meetings the doctors had to attend which affected the Medical Society meetings. Reese was pleading for the members to supply material to make an interesting *Bulletin*. He was finding out that many were willing to tell him but the writing and editing were up to him and usually done when he should be sleeping.

James Brown was President-Elect. G. E. DeCicco was Secretary and A. K. Phillips was Treasurer. Delegates were S. W. Ondash, Ivan Smith and Skipp.

Kenneth Camp was President of the Academy of General Practice, H. E. McGregor was President-Elect and Herman Ipp was Treasurer. A post-graduate course in endocrinology was announced.

New members that month were: Leon L. Bernstein, Kalman C. Kunin, David R. Brody, N. T. Martin, J. L. Craig and Carol Craig. There were 247 active members, 13 junior active, 4 associate, 15 interne, 11 non-resident and 10 honorary, total 300.

TEN YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1963

Asher Randall was the new President. Jack Schreiber was President-Elect. C. E. Pichette was Secretary and George Cook, Treasurer. George Altman was Editor of the *Bulletin*.

Morris Rosenblum was Chairman of the doctor's division of the Esther Hamilton Alias Santa Claus Show. Due to his effort, the doctors contributed over a thousand dollars.

New members that month were James Anderson, Henry Bauer, Harold Hassel, N. G. Kastellorios and Angelo Riberi.

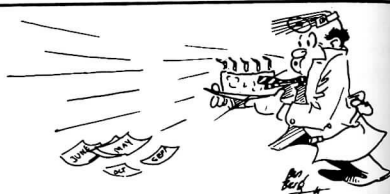
There was much discussion about doctors becoming enrolled in Social Security. Old Age and Survivors Insurance it was called then. The majority of our members were not in favor of it.

Sidney Keyes was elected President of the Mahoning Chapter of the Academy of General Practice. Erhard Weltman was President-Elect. Retiring President Robert R. Fisher was named "General Practitioner Of The Year."

Dues were \$75.00 for the MCMS, \$35.00 for the OSMA and \$45.00 for the AMA.

—J. L. F.

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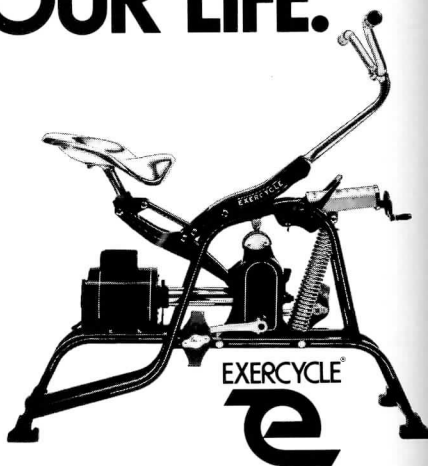
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The Medical Assistants Group members will be billed for their six-month payment, beginning this week. Final date for that group payment will be Feb. 15th.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Dec. 14, 1972

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Thursday, Dec. 14, 1972, at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Youngstown.

The following physicians were present: Henry Holden, president, president, R. A. Abdu, D. J. Dallis, G. H. Dietz, J. C. Melnick, C. E. Pichette, J. F. Stotler, J. W. Tandatnick, C. C. White and William Moskalik. Absent were: S. G. Adornato, J. J. Anderson, Louis Bloomberg, B. P. Brucoli, L. P. Cacamio, A. B. Cinelli, C. A. Crans, K. M. Lloyd, F. A. Pesa, S. F. Petraglia, Jack Schreiber and L. J. Zehr.

The following applications were presented by the censors:

ASSOCIATE: Richard W. Juvancic, M.D.
 Ramiro Albarran, M.D.
 Howard Jay Reuben, M.D.

The applications were approved. Applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society fifteen days after publication in the *Bulletin*, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary before that time.

Dr. Holden reviewed the blood banking situation in Youngstown. He said that there are plans being made for members of the local committee to meet with representatives of national Red Cross.

A report was made of centennial finances showing total receipts of \$27,385.72 and total expenses of \$7,196.75. A resolution was passed by council authorizing Dr. Henry Holden, as president, to withdraw approximately \$11,300 from the Medical Society's Massachusetts Growth Stock Fund investment. The money will be used to pay expenses plus the \$4000 donation to the Youngstown Ballet.

Council approved letters to go to Dr. J. L. Smeltzer and Dr. H. A. Smith advising them that they would no longer be members of the Mahoning County Medical Society after Jan. 1, 1973 if they had not paid their 1972 dues by that time.

A request from Mr. C. P. Klein was read. Council asked that a letter be sent to Mr. Klein, a long-time *Bulletin* advertiser explaining that the Medical Society fully supports the Heart Association but cannot make donations to any voluntary health agency as a Society.

Dr. Pichette introduced discussion concerning the possibility of members making the donations to various causes through the Medical Society rather than dissipating medicine's sizable contribution through individual gifts.

Dr. Holden asked for good attendance at the annual meeting, Dec. 19th, and at the installation banquet, Jan. 16th.

Dr. Stotler proposed that Dr. Holden be honored for his highly successful year as president. Council responded with a standing ovation.

Meeting was adjourned.

Howard Rempes
 Executive Secretary

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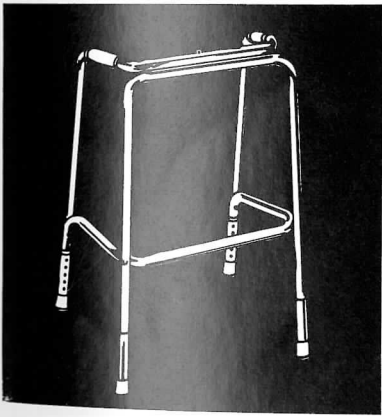
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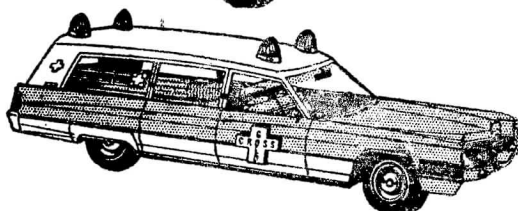
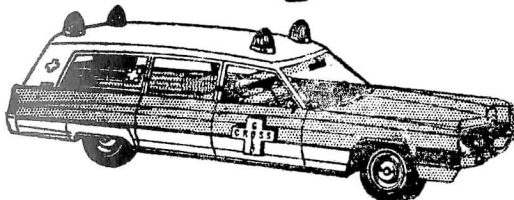
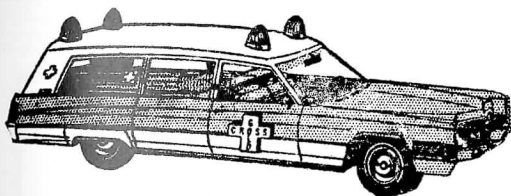


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