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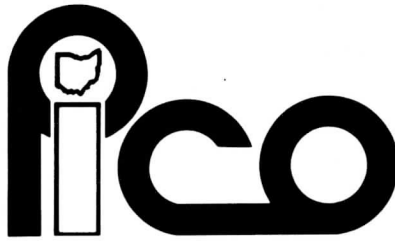


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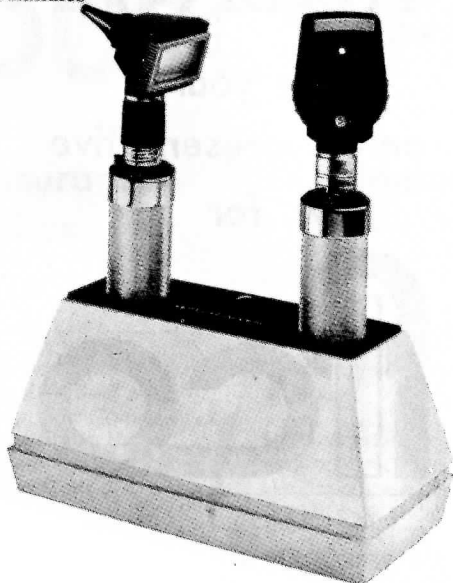
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From the Desk of the President



Just recently, I had the extremely unpleasant chore of sending a letter to one of our members who has chosen to resign from the Mahoning County Medical Society. The nature of the letter was more or less to inform him that he was no longer eligible to participate in our group Blue Cross and Blue Shield plan and the other group policies, such as disability compensation, major medical, etc. Of course, it is somewhat significant that obtaining hospitalization and medical coverage outside of a larger group, such as ours, will probably be more costly; perhaps even more costly than the saving he will realize by not paying the County and State dues.

There is certainly a greater significance to the action of this busy physician, as well as the several others who in recent years have chosen to economize by not paying dues to organized medical groups such as AMA, OSMA and Mahoning County Medical Society. This economy, to coin a much used cliché, is indeed "penny wise and pound foolish."

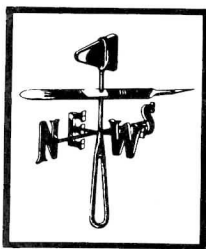
The labor unions, with their organizing drives, closed shops, attempts to repeal right to work laws, and the like, have been through the mill of the unscrupulous members of corporate management who exploited the disorganized laborers. They certainly verify the motto "in union there is strength."

Of course I am totally opposed to the closed shop concept of compulsory membership in any organization, regardless of how much good can be achieved or the membership at large. This, I believe, takes away from the professionalism of any organization. It should be a distinct privilege and advantage to be a member, rather than a requisite to engage in the active practice of a profession.

To be sure, much of the lay public is under the impression that the A.M.A. plus the state and county organizations form a major compulsory labor union for the physicians. Most people when actually told that less than half of physicians in the United States belong to the A.M.A. express disbelief. As we all know, in spite of the criticism of organized medicine by the press, the politician, the physician himself, and even our President, there is no single force that has been more effective in thwarting, thus far, the takeover of the private practice of medicine by government.

The truly conservative physician who is concerned about the status of private practice is deluding himself when he derides the activities of organized medicine. Obviously no organization is perfect and there is much to be improved upon in our medical societies on

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Editorial

Analyzing some of our problems in our profession, it is my opinion that we lack courage to face up to some of the challenges of this modern age of medicine. One of the ingredients that is missing is anger and until we become angry our courage will be insufficient.

It is our responsibility as individuals first, and society second to respond to challenges. We are constantly being accused of not caring, being dollar oriented, too dependent on expensive hospitals, and practicing a philosophy of 'no cost is too much for cure'. The end result of all these forces is a dehumanization of the patient. It is our responsibility to defend the patient against these depersonalizing experiences.

We should learn to listen to our patients more carefully and demonstrate our empathy to our patients and their families. We should learn to look at the patient as a total being rather than a disease entity. This tends to be primarily the limitation of the specialists because of his medical education.

Some of these inadequacies in our profession are being corrected by the increased emphasis in primary care physicians and training of paramedical professionals to handle the psychiatric and social problems of our patient. A good example of this is the Hospice development in the care of terminally ill patients.

Once these challenges are met, then only will we develop as a profession and as individuals to our highest capacity.

—Dean J. Limbert, M.D.
Editor

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Response to DNA Editorial

The materialists among us have been hopeful that experimentation with D.N.A. would prove their dogma, but up until now their attempts at proof have been a failure. They will continue to be a failure. Many people tend to confuse the dogma of materialism with the desire or possessions. They are not synonymous in any way. Materialism, which came into existence with the establishment of the Order of Illuminati on May 1, 1776, established itself as a doctrine of the denial of the existence of God. Prior to this assertion, it was generally recognized by all human beings that power

was something which emanated from God. This power was dispersed through the emporal rules of this earth to their subordinates and to the least of us in a pyramidal sort of fashion, with the kings of the church on top and the governed on the bottom. Until the 18th century this authority was never questioned. The dogma of materialism can be summed up in a single sentence: *Matter itself contains the seed of life!* In this one very short sentence there is contained the difference between the materialists or Marxists and those of us who believe in God. Those of us in the latter category recognize life as something coming from God, who contributes to every living thing a life-giving principle, which we have come to call the Soul. This life-giving principle is eternal, and although we have borrowed it for a time, eventually it must return to the God who has loaned it to us during our lifetimes. It is to this God that we must answer for our actions. Possessions, as well a one's station in life, also comes to us from God, and an answer must one day be given for the use to which we have put them. Life, therefore springs from previous life, which springs from the source of all life which is God.

The materialists, on the other hand, tell us that life springs spontaneously from matter and that the soul does not exist, there is no life giving principle outside of matter, and so God does not exist either. Indeed he has no reason to exist at all. There is, therefore, no one demanding an answer for the actions of men on this earth. Man himself is God and the greatest God becomes the man who can exert the most power over his fellow men. Possessions of others are confiscated by Marxists, and wealth redistributed to whoever has the most power to acquire them or to distribute them. Abortions are allowable for the same reason. Today men look up to and follow those who seize the wealth of others and redistribute it by legal, but by completely unjust and deceitful means. The man or men who control the state substitute themselves for God, and make decisions as to what each man should earn, and what other men are capable of producing, and to what these men are entitled. The producer of goods and wealth finds himself very much at their mercy, for it is they who decide what is to be taken away from the productive and hard working, and what is to be given to the free loaders, who have produced nothing.

Not only does Communism rest on this premise, but Socialism, the Welfare State, and all forms of Marxism. People must be rewarded here and now, whether they work or not, and must never leave anything to the chance of heaven, which does not exist in the minds of materialists. When life is over, everything is over and gone. Matter rots in the grave and nothing is left to continue on to posterity with a creator. There is no reward; there is no punishment. There is nothing. It is over; it is ended!

If the prophecies of Michael de Nostradamus are to be believed, time is running out for the materialists for by the year 2000, Materialism, as a false religion, will be wiped from the face of the earth. In this country the deluge and the blood bath is only about 11 or 12 years away.

—Richard D. Murray, M.D., M. Sc. (med.)

DR. VUKSTA TO RECEIVE AWARD

Dr. Michael Vuksta has been named to receive one of the 1978 "Out-standing Ohio Team Physician Awards" presented annually by the Ohio State Medical Association. The award will be made at the annual Hall of Fame Banquet, sponsored by the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association, on Thursday, Aug. 3, at Canton.

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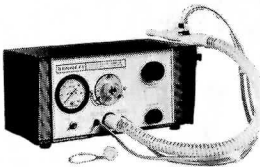
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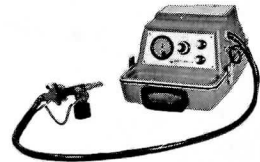


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all levels. When the physician withdraws from membership, or actually never joins, he not only is hastening the eventual demise of the freedom we still enjoy, but also he is riding on the backs of the dues paying membership as a "freeloader."

I only ask, if a man is honest with himself, what other organization with a nationwide clout can he turn to with his dues money in an attempt to stem the tide of socialism that is permeating our everyday life? Certainly specialty organizations may speak for the narrow interests of a particular type of medical practice, but all the specialties if glued together will never make the strength of a solid log that has never been chopped apart. It is this solidarity in the medical profession that will be so important in the next few years.

Our government, under the guise of "free trade" and the preservation of a "competitive environment" and to control costs, is taking on many of the "splinters" of medicine in courts of law. Certainly the conquering of the many divisions (splinter organizations) is going to be an easier process for the government than to take on a united profession (the log that has never been reduced to its component splinters). Literally, by our failure to form a "united front", so to speak, we are making it easier for our adversaries to control us. This eventuality is a certainty if we continue to support the splinters and ignore the strength in the very log itself!!!

—George H. Dietz, M.D.
President

12th ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP DINNER



Dr. David Pichette, Chairman (left), confers with speaker, Rev. Philip P. Conley at the Scholarship Dinner.

Rev. Philip P. Conley, director of the Department of Religious Education, Diocese of Youngstown, proved to be an outstanding speaker at the 12th annual scholarship dinner of the Mahoning County Medical Society. He addressed 66 students from 25 high schools and their doctor and wife hosts. The list of students was printed in the April *Bulletin*.

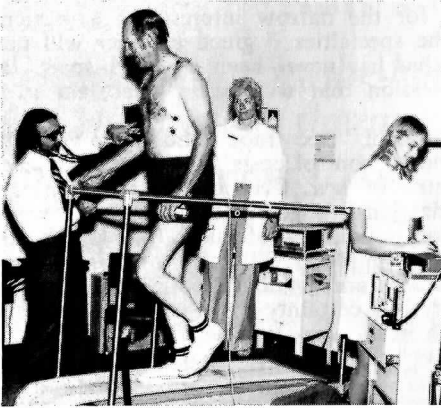
Special thanks from the Medical Society go to those who volunteered to be host and hostess for the young people. They are: Dr. and Mrs. Cacamio, Dr. and Mrs. Chiu, Dr. and Mrs. Dallis, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Detesco, Dr. and Mrs. Dietz, Dr. and Mrs. Gregori, Dr. and Mrs. Kachmer, Dr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Dr. and Mrs. Lambert, Dr. and Mrs. Latorre, Dr. and Mrs. Melnick, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Pichette, and Dr. and Mrs. Tiberio.

Dr. David Pichette was chairman and master of ceremonies for the dinner. Dr. and Mrs. Dietz presented the scholarship pins to the students. Daughters of two of our members were among the honorees this year. They are Carol Kachmer and Nancy Katherine Tiberio.



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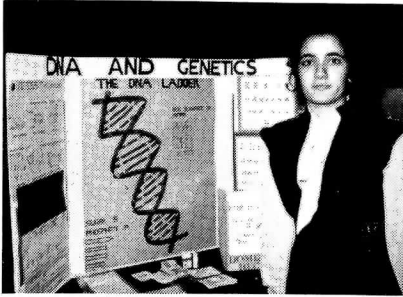


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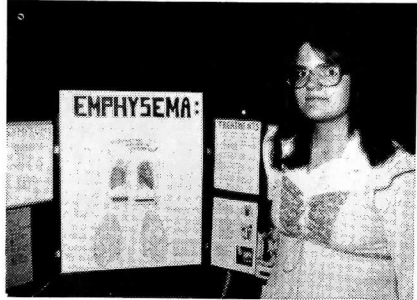
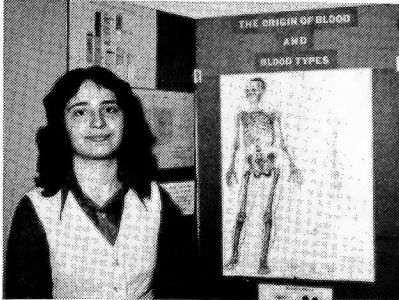
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MEDICAL SOCIETY GIVES SCIENCE AWARDS



Left: Sana Itayim, South High sophomore, won the \$50 award for her project, "DNA and Genetics."

Bottom left: Carmen Marmureanu, Rayen sophomore, won the Medical Society award of \$25 for "The Origin of Blood and Blood Types." Right: Christina Petretich, Chaney senior, won the Auxiliary award of \$25 for her "Emphysema — A Product of Modern Times."



The Mahoning County Medical Society gave a \$50 savings bond and a \$25 savings bond as awards at the annual Science Fair held at Adams School in May. The Woman's Auxiliary gave a \$25 bond. Awards were for the best projects related to medicine. Co-chairmen of the Science Fair were Richard Miller and Joseph Jackubek, teachers at Adams School.

20th YEAR FOR MEDICAL SOCIETY OFFICE

This year will mark the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of an independent office for the Mahoning County Medical Society. Howard Rempes was hired as full-time executive secretary on August 1, 1958, and on Sept. 1, the office was opened at the Bel-Park Building. Prior to that time, the office had been associated with the Medical Dental Bureau. The former Mary Herald, assisted by son, Paul Herald, was executive secretary.

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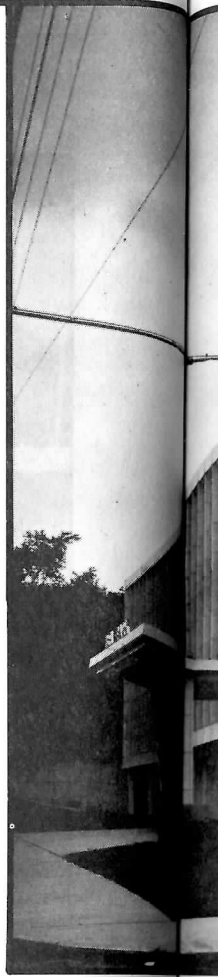


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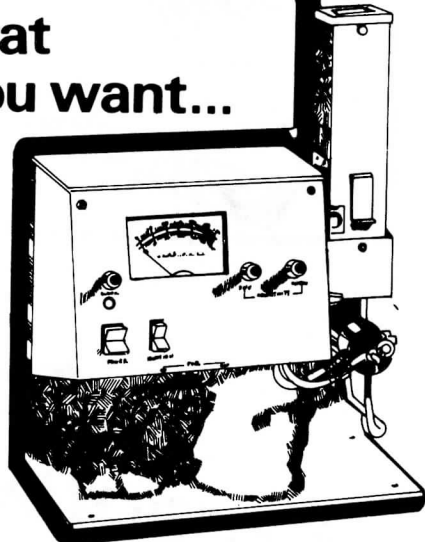
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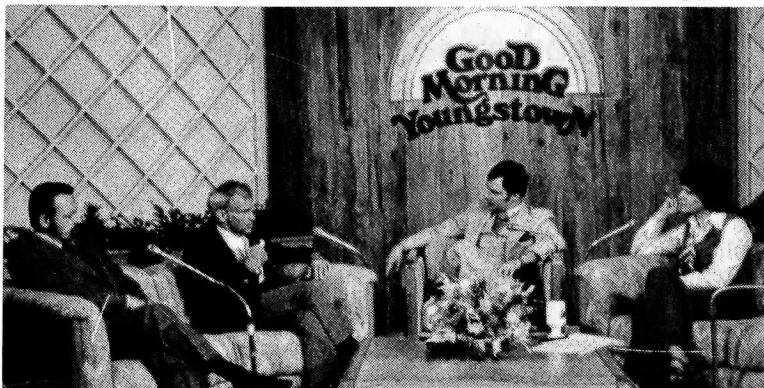
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Dr. S. W. Chiasson, Dr. John G. Guju, Dr. Kalmin C. Kunin and Dr. Ronald H. Roth have all been recertified by the American Board of OB-GYN. Dr. Kurt Wegner has been certified in the Sub-board of Neonatal-perinatal medicine by the American Board of Pediatrics. Dr. Y. T. Chiu, Dr. Subbarayudu Cuddapah and Dr. George H. Dietz have all been recertified in plastic surgery by the American Board of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

There will be no issues of the *Bulletin* in July and August. Next issue will be in September. Happy vacation from the *Bulletin* staff.

MEDICAL ASSISTANTS SOCIETY

The Medical Assistants Society of Mahoning County will be installing new officers at their June 16th meeting at Ramada Inn. They submit a year-end review at this time.

President for the past year has been Carmel Corradetti. She was installed last June. A picnic was held in July, and the year's program got under way with a dinner meeting in September.

The October speaker was Robert Herman, Ohio Bell spokesman, whose subject was "Terror by Telephone." The November speaker was Dr. Paul Ruth on "Eyes Have It."

The Annual Work-shop was held Nov. 6th. At the December dinner and Christmas Party, honorary membership was bestowed on Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Evans. Dr. Evans is chairman of the Advisory Committee.

January speaker was Dr. T. T. Deramo, who spoke and showed slides on "Allergies and New Advances of Medicine." Clark E. Jones, American Heart Association, spoke in February on "Life In Your Hands." In March, the group toured Woodside Receiving Hospital. The Ohio Medical Assistants Convention was held in April at Cleveland and was well attended by local members.

Betty Ann Perschka will be installed as president at the June 16th meeting. All physicians are invited to encourage their medical assistants to join the Society and take part in the programs, work-shops and social activities.

—Alice Larson

In Memoriam

ROBERT P. MEADER, M.D.

1901 - 1978

Dr. Robert P. Meader, 76, died on Tuesday, April 11, of heart failure at South Side Hospital, following a two-week illness.

Dr. Meader was born at Mendon, Michigan. He was a graduate of Traverse City High School, Michigan, and received both his B.A. and M.D. degrees at the University of Michigan, the latter degree in 1931.

Following an internship at Blodgett Memorial Hospital, Grand Rapids, and a residency in Radiology at Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia, he established his private practice in Pittsburg.

In 1962, he came to Youngstown and joined the radiology department of the South Unit of Youngstown Hospital Association. He was a member of the American Board of Radiology, Central Ohio Radiology Society, Radiological Society of North America, American College of Radiology and the U.S. Committee of the World Medical Association.

Dr. Meader resided in Canfield and was a member of the Canfield Methodist Church and the Canfield Community Club.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

(Excerpts from the April 13 and May 2 meetings)

The following applications for membership were presented by the Censors:

ACTIVE: Sheldon C. Binder, M.D. S. N. Habib, M.D. Edward L. McIver, M.D.	Fred R. Pruitt, M.D. Ernesto F. Sabado, M.D. G. D. Sangvai, M.D.
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ASSOCIATE: J. V. Chaves, M.D.

The applications were approved. The applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society 15 days after publication in the *Bulletin*, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary before that time.

The Scholarship Dinner, April 13th, honored 66 seniors from 25 high schools, including two of our members' daughters: Nancy Tiberio and Carol Kachmer.

The delegates and alternates were scheduled to attend the Sixth District Caucus meeting April 19th at Congress Lake.

Dr. Kiskaddon read papers pertaining to a Bill that HSA of Eastern Ohio is proposing to legislators for the purpose of imposing a financial penalty on both plaintiff and attorney who launch a frivolous malpractice suit against a physician.

A letter from Blue Cross of Eastern Ohio was noted in which there was a statement of the increase in premiums for the Blue Cross group beginning with the next billing in June.

Dr. Perry introduced discussion concerning a physician being allowed to be on staffs of both hospitals if he so desired and asked for a report of the committee appointed to explore this situation.

EMERITUS MEMBERS ELECTED

At the May 16th meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society, the following members were elected Emeritus Members: Leonard A. Blum, M.D., A. R. Cukerbaum, M.D., Fred G. Schlecht, M.D. and John Stotler, M.D.

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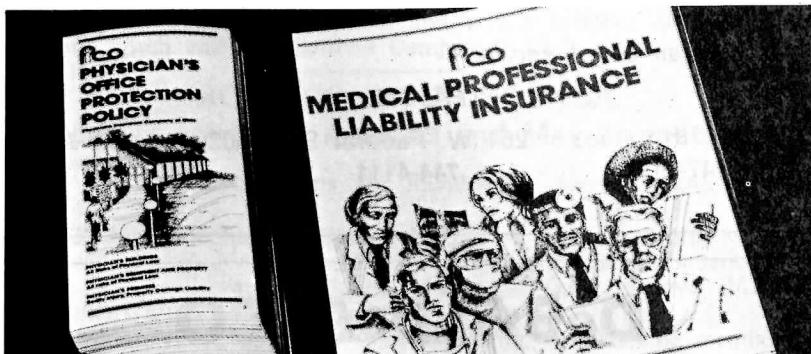
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FORTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1938

The annual Interne's Contest made up the scientific meeting that month. Prizes were won by Densmore Thomas and Don Miller representing Youngstown Hospital and by Harold Reese and George L. Ambrecht representing St. Elizabeth's Hospital. These contests used to be an annual feature of our program but were dropped because the local talent did not draw the attendance that a big name speaker does.

Dr. Myron H. Steinberg wrote a very informative article on "Therapeutic Considerations in Rheumatoid Arthritis". After forty years there is very little that could be added.

New members that month were: L. S. Shensa, Wm. E. Maine, J. A. Rogers, R. S. Lupse and R. W. Beede.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1948

Plans for the incorporation of the Medical Service Foundation were completed and the papers sent to Columbus.

The Ohio State Medical Association urged the members to protest passage by Congress of H.R. 6274. That was the unconstitutional, discriminatory piece of class legislation now known as "Doctor's Draft".

TWENTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1958

President Detesco proposed the formation of a committee on Admissions, Conduct and Discharges to check on overuse and abuse on prepaid medical care in our hospitals. That was *before* the advent of Medicare and the Utilization Committee.

TEN YEARS AGO — JUNE 1968

Drs. Jack Schreiber, G. E. DeCicco, and J. V. Newsome were delegates to the OSMA meeting in Cincinnati, May 13-17. At that meeting the House of Delegates passed a resolution encouraging the appointment of physicians with full voting privileges to the Boards of Trustees of hospitals. They also passed a resolution that the OSMA conduct a poll on Malpractice Insurance and "to proceed with indicated action resulting from the poll". Was this the germination of P.I.C.O.?

Two beloved black physicians passed away, both at the age of 71, within two days of each other. Both were men of stature in the community. Dr. Wm. R. Smith was a quiet, kindly general practitioner who was greatly loved by his patients. The other was Dr. Wm. P. Young, a family physician of great dignity and deep feeling. He was the first black President of the Mahoning County Chapter of the Ohio Academy of Family Practice. When Dr. Young made a speech, it was with such ecclesiastical elegance that it was difficult for his audience to refrain from clapping hands and shouting "Amen".

Dr. Arthur Whittaker returned from special training in Cardiovascular Medicine at The University of Pittsburgh, College of Medicine, to take his place beside Dr. Calvin as the Assistant Director of the Cardiovascular laboratory at the North Unit, YHA.

New members that month were Ikoo Maeda and Ronald Roth. Dr. John McDonough was busy raising money for Project Hope. Dr. Wm. E. Sovik was elected President of the Ohio Ophthalmological Society. Dr. L. P. Caccamo addressed the local Chapter of the Research Society of America on recent advances in Coronary Care.

—Robert R. Fisher, M.D.

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DOCTORS SHOULD KEEP CME LOG

With the deadline for those 150 hours of Continuing Medical Education only one and one-half year away, every physician would be wise to take stock as to how he is meeting the requirements in order to renew his license on January 1, 1980.

In the matter of keeping a record, this is the responsibility of the physician. The Ohio State Board of Licensure provides a small diary to physicians who wish to use it to record their attendance at meetings. Also, there is a record log attached to the "Physician Relicensure Program" pamphlet reprinted from the Ohio State Medical Journal, and available at the OSMA Office and the Mahoning County Medical Society office.

A decided help for Mahoning physicians is the "Continuing Education Calendar" published monthly by the Mahoning Shenango Area Health Education Network. Each issue lists numerous local courses and meetings that give Category 1 credits. At least 60 credits of the 150 must be earned in this category.

There is a limit of 90 credits for work in Category 2. This includes CME activities with non-accredited sponsorship; medical teaching; papers, publications, books, presentations and exhibits; nonsupervised, individual CME activities; and other meritorious learning experiences.

The OSMA pamphlet cautions: "It is important that a physician keep accurate and complete information, including any available documents concerning continuing medical education activities during the period Jan. 1, 1977 to Dec. 31, 1979, to avoid any question of completion of the hours of continuing medical education necessary before the January 1980 registration. This information should be kept available to agents of the State Medical Board for review."

OSMA ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Dr. John J. Gaughan, Cleveland, took office as president at the annual OSMA House of Delegates meeting in Dayton last May. Dr. Thomas W. Morgan, Gallipolis, was elected president-elect. Dr. Jack Schreiber was re-elected delegate to the American Medical Association.

Delegates and alternates representing Mahoning County at the Dayton meeting were Drs. J. J. Anderson, Rashid Abdu, J. C. Melnick, C. E. Pichette, W. E. Sovik and J. W. Tandatnick. Dr. R. M. Kiskaddon spoke before a reference committee concerning malpractice litigation. Dr. Joe Yut, Canton, was chairman of the Sixth District delegation.

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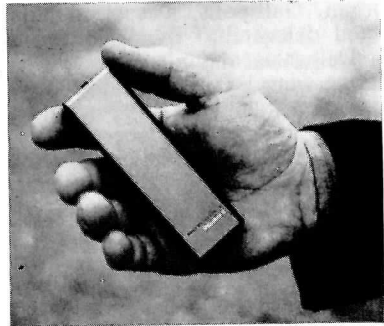
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