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#### PRESIDENT'S PACE

We have come once again to the end of our vacation period. It is now time to peer into the near future and attempt to appraise the many things which will confront us. With the many doctors in the armed forces; those who remain here are sure to be taxed to the utmost to care for the health of the population at large.

Our Society activities during the summer were very much curtailed. We felt that it was our patriotic duty to cut our social activities to a minimum. However, the temptation to "take a fling" at golf and indulge in a delicious dinner to top off the day was irrepressible. Dr. E. J. Wenaas and his committee provided magnificent entertainment and the occasion will be long remembered.

The political season of a major election year is becoming imminent. In a few weeks you will vote for your pet candidate and wish him elected. Medicine and your future may undergo vast changes as a result of this election. Records indicate that only about 60% of our members exercise the voting privilege. There is some difference of opinion as to the proper status of the doctor in politics, but it would seem that to have some voice in public health matters it is necessary to be active in politics in general. Let us all register our opinions "Election Day."

The Committee on Medical Service has been one of the most energetic of your committees. Medical service plans now operating successfully in many places have been studied and the best points from these, coupled with suggestions from the committee, comprise the proposed Medical Service plan which will be presented to you soon at a special meeting.

Our scientific program resumes this month with Dr. Frederick R. Mautz as guest speaker. The business of your society has been proceeding despite the vacation period and your Program Committee has a complete schedule arranged for the remainder of the year.

The next meeting will be Sept. 19th.

E. H. NAGEL, M. D.,

President.

#### CONGRATULATIONS FROM LT. COMM. W. H. EVANS

June 2, 1944

Dear Elmer:-

It is with a feeling of pride that I write to congratulate you and the Society for the fine spirit displayed and the good job that has been done since I left Youngstown in 1942.

With so many of the members in the service and the added burdens that each member at home has been forced to assume, the accomplishments are much more significant.

From the Bulletin and the Vindicator I note that you have continued with the usual monthly programs that appear to be on the same high plane as those we were able to enjoy previously. It was also pleasing to note that you saw fit to resume the Annual Post Graduate Day program and I trust

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#### SEPTEMBER

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### Editorials---

#### This Month's Meeting

The Fall work begins this month, on Tuesday evening, the 19th.

Everybody's patient has been or may later be a surgical patient. Some real influence upon any doctor's problems, no matter what their nature, may be closely related to needed or performed operations. So, it is correct to say that this start-off discussion is of importance to all of us.

The speaker, Dr. Mautz, of Western Reserve, is the product of our environment. He is an able speaker and we shall be greatly pleased that the Program Committee was successful in bringing him to us for our "Opener."

#### Quacks and the Law

Most any rustic in any neck of these woods can violate the medical practice laws of Ohio with impunity. In most instances seemingly such defiance is totally ignored. Yet our usual forte is one of pride in the laws. In lack of vigor, even to prosecute gross evasions, we seem to find some such spirit as, "We are fearful that we shall be regarded as seeking our own ends." Yet only urgent interest in the public welfare is the sole excuse for any regulations whatever.

When will it be that these present conditions will be remedied?

What we want, we know. We want our people to be protected.

We love to talk but we fall short on doing.

This diatribe is the feeble protest of disappointed souls who look to our Medical Society, local, state, and national. But nothing is done by any of us. Every few days a certain quack in Youngstown distributes a booklet.

He loves to exhibit his contempt for us by covering our offices, even our office tables with loads of his puerile trash.

But he isn't the only one. If that were true it would not greatly matter. But there are others, pretty well known. We are not perfect, not any of us. But most of us are not intentional crooks. Ignorance is our great sin. But utter wickedness on top of ignorance is a first class curse to society, if it exists in a doctor.

To those who are in positions of trust, such as our State Board, our State Medical Association and our County Society—Gentlemen: are the laws adequate? Why don't you enforce them? Are they inadequate? When have we heard of you making any effort to get remedial legislation? Or do you just like to talk, not really giving a damn?

#### This Time Next Year?

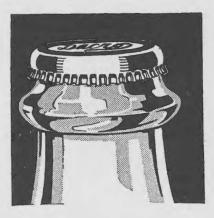
Maybe all our fellows will be back home! Oh, Boy!—Oh, Boy!

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#### Physician-Artists' Prize Contest

The American Physicians Art Association, with the cooperation of Mead Johnson & Company, is offering an important series of War Bonds as prizes to physicians in the armed services and also physicians in civilian practice for their best artistic works depicting the medical profession's "skill and courage and devotion beyond the call of duty."

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# Revised (1944) Platform of A. M. A. on Improving the Distribution of Medical Care Adopted at Chicago Session

(Pittsburgh Medical Bulletin)

The 1944 House of Delegates of the American Medical Association unanimously approved a supplemental report of the Council on Medical Service and Public Relations, revising and bringing up to date the platform of the A. M. A. adopted in 1938.

The original platform consisted of eight planks or principles, each followed by an explanatory statement. While the Council felt that these same principles still hold, with minor changes in their wording, it was pointed out that in some cases the explanatory matter had become obsolete, and neglected to cover some of the principles adopted by the House of Delegates since the original platform was approved. The Council also felt that there is one broad principle to which these eight principles are subservient. Hence, it was recommended that the platform be revised to read as follows and this recommendation was adopted by the House of Delegates. (The following excerpts are from pages 574-5-6 of the Journal A.M.A., June 24.)

THE PLATFORM

 Availability of medical care of a high quality to every person in the United States.

It is in the public interest that the standards of medical education be constantly raised, that medical research be constantly increased and that graduate and postgraduate medical education be energetically developed. Curative medicine, public health medicine, research medicine, and medical education all are indispensable factors in promoting the health, comfort and happiness of the nation.

In carrying out this objective, the A. M. A. advocates:

A. In the extension of medical services to all people, the utmost utilization of qualified medical and hospital facilities already established.

That the people desire a personalization of service is evidenced by the fact that in the present time of full employment the turnover in charity hospitals is at a new low and the semi-private beds in the private and voluntary hospitals are overcrowded, whereas, in time of slack employment, the reverse is true.

B. The continued development of the private practice of medicine, subject to such changes as may be necessary to maintain the quality of medical services and to increase their availability, including the development and extension of voluntary hospital insurance and voluntary medical insurance.

The American Medical Association has approved prepayment hospital insurance subject to the principles adopted by the House of Delegates. The number of people covered by it is constantly increasing. Its availability should be extended to all who desire it.

Medical expense insurance has developed slowly but much valuable experience has been accumulated. All constituent State Associations have been urged to develop voluntary plans within their territory so that the entire country may be covered by such plans.

C. Expansion of public health and medical services consistent with the American system of democracy.

The introduction of methods such as compulsory sickness insurance, state medicine and similar techniques results in a trend toward communism or totalitarianism and away from democracy as the established form of government.

D. The allotment of such funds as the Congress may make available to any state in actual need for the prevention of disease, the promotion of health and the care of the sick on proof of such need. It is proposed here simply that Congress make available such funds as can be provided for health purposes; that these funds be administered jointly by the county, state, and federal health agencies, mentioned in Section H of this platform, and that the funds be alloted to proof of actual need to the federal health agency, when that need is for the prevention of disease, for the promotion of health, or for the care of the sick.

E. The principle that the care of public health and the provision of medical service to the sick is pri-

marily a local responsibility.

It is suggested that communities do their utmost to meet such needs with funds locally available before bringing their needs to the federal health agency, and that the health agency determine whether or not the community has done its utmost to meet such needs before allotting federal funds for the purpose.

F. The development of a mechanism for meeting the needs of expansion of preventive medical services with local determination of needs and local control of administration.

So far as preventive medicine and general measures of public health are concerned, every area in the United States should have a health service with adequate personnel and facilities to render the service necessary to each community. Federal funds may be used to help establish these departments where local funds are inadequate but the management should be under state and local authority.

G. The extension of medical care for the indigent and medically indigent with local determination of needs and local control of adminis-

tration.

It is the platform of the American Medical Association that medical care be provided for the indigent and the medically indigent in every community but that local funds be first utilized and that local agencies de-

termine the nature of the need and control the expenditure of such funds as may be developed either in the community or by the Federal Government, as they are the most capable of determining the needs.

H. The establishment of an agency of Federal Government under which shall be coordinated and administered all medical and health functions of the Federal Government exclusive of those of the Army and Navy.

In the interest of efficiency, the avoidance of duplication and the saving of vast sums of money the American Medical Association has since 1875 urged the establishment of a single agency in the Federal Government under which all such functions could be correlated.

#### AN ALLURING WORD

(From an address by the Most Reverend John A. Duffy, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Buffalo.—Pittsburgh Medical Bulletin.)

Security is an alluring word. It is desired by all. We would gladly give it to all. But, we may well ask, at what price security? Liberty is our cherished possession. It is the foundation stone of our life as a nation. Will we sacrifice it for security? Must we have all security and no liberty or may we, as reasonable, experienced men and women accept the fact that perfect security, if indeed it may be had at all, must be purchased at the price of liberty. Which will you choose—perfect security without liberty or liberty with comparative security? The Wagner-Murray Bill, as it now stands, appears to offer too much at too great a price.

In summary, therefore, we conclude that this bill, as it now reads, will necessarily affect your doctor, your hospital, and you. As its beneficiaries, you may retain the services of your own doctor on two conditions: (1) that he is listed as a physician available for these services; (2) that the quota of patients assigned to him is not so large as to

exclude you.

Either one of these conditions lacking, you may go to your own doctor as a private patient, at your own expense, or accept the services of another. You may continue to enjoy the services and atmosphere of your private and religious hospital if it has qualified as a "participating hospital" and has not been restricted to cases of a particular type. Even so, you may find its atmosphere changed or modified by the constriction of remote controls and the burden of required reportings that are its inevitable attendants. It may even be forced out of existence by prescriptions that limit its earning capacity. Furthermore, you yourself, as a beneficiary, must conform to the many "definitions" and "provisions" set up to ensure that those who invoke its benefits are entitled to receive them. This would seem to be the freedom promised in regard to yourself, your hospital, vour doctor.

Criticism should be constructive. We would like to see:

- 1. The maintenance of States' Rights in the field of medicine—a free cooperative relationship between Federal and State health authorities not only to protect the sovereign rights of the states but to insure in each state a program fitted to local conditions and local needs.
- 2. A closer planning partnership between the Federal Health Service and the American Medical Association such as appears to exist in the Beveridge Plan for Britain.
- 3. A continued partnership between governmental and non-governmental health agencies with full recognition of the voluntary, non-profit private hospital in all health planning.
- 4. An extensive development, by the medical profession, of group medical care and hospitalization plans until they can absorb the great majority of the people, especially those in the lower income brackets.

- 5. Reliable surveys that will disclose areas not having adequate medical care and hospital service coverage.
- 6. The expansion of adjacent hospital facilities to meet these needs rather than the erection of new government hospitals.
- 7. The encouragement and development of existing standard schools of medicine, nursing, etc., rather than the setting up of new competitive schools under the direction and control of the Federal Health Service.

We are living in a transitional period, the characteristic marks of which are ruthlessness and daring. The ruthless would destroy everything and start the world anew; the daring would try anything in the hope of bettering conditions.

But old ideas and principles are often new, and the new is not always true. Free discussion will evaluate the new and the true. On ideas and principles old and new, new and true, Democracy may build a better civilization on a nobler plan.

## GUEST EDITORIAL Little Nazi-Made Zombies

(Va. Medical Monthly)

I happened to be in Europe during the summer of 1926. In France and Belgium it was evident everywhere that there was a dearth of middleaged men. Women were managing factories and stores and occupying other business positions usually held by men. This made me wonder about the status of the children born during the first World War, who were then from eight to twelve years of age. But few of them were seen upon the streets, and those who were casually observed appeared to be well and happy. The others, orphans or otherwise, were probably in schools, and no definite investigation of them was made by me at that time.

During the summer of 1931, I attended the International Neurologi-

## September Meeting

#### Speaker:

#### FREDERICK R. MAUTZ, M. D.

Assistant Professor of surgery, Western Reserve University School of Medicine and Associate Surgeon, University Hospitals of Cleveland.

#### Subject:

# "CLINICAL ASPECTS OF BIOCHEMICAL DISTURBANCES IN SURGICAL PATIENTS"

#### Something about Dr. Mautz:

B. S., Physics, Case School of Applied Science, 1929; M. D., Western Reserve School of Medicine, 1933; Hospital training in surgery at University Hospitals of Cleveland; Also Crile Fellow in Surgical Research, Western Reserve School of Medicine. Present titles: Assistant Professor of Surgery, Western Reserve University School of Medicine, and Associate Surgeon, University Hospitals of Cleveland.

#### YOUNGSTOWN CLUB

Tuesday, September 19th, 1944—8:30

Next Month:-

REGULAR MEETING
Dr. A. E. Brant and Dr. F. W. McNamara

Details next month.

cal Congress in Berne, Switzerland, and I determined to inquire as well as I could into the condition of the first World War children who were then adolescents from thirteen to seventeen years of age. French, Dutch, Swiss, Belgian, and English neuropsychiatrists, more or less familiar with the situation, were interviewed. I was astonished to find that in their opinion these children, born during a period of horror, distress, massacre, and rape, were about as normal mentally and physically as those born during the piping times of peace.

Later more superficial inquiry was made of those who had visited Spain since the Civil War, concerning young children born during that period. These children seemed to be below par physically and to have less high spirits than normal children. This condition was attributed to malnutrition because of the rapid improvement made when they were better fed.

And now we have a most interesting report of the children of Nazioccupied Europe from 1939 through the school period of 1941. In a paper in Psychosomatic Medicine, July 1943, Marie Helen Mercier, M. D., and I. Louise Despert, M. D., state among other observations that shortly after the beginning of the scarcity of food, an increase in delinquency and stealing was noted, especially in adolescents. The children who had begun to steal through necessity, soon began to take things of no use whatsoever. Statistics computed on 500 children indicated that more than half showed signs of nutritional deficiency. Children who were observed in foster homes, these investigators said, showed indications of deepseated (psychic) trauma though many presented no peculiarity except that "they lacked faiety and enthusiasm and they never smiled." Think of it, no bright eyes shining, no merry laughter, none of youth's spontaneity.

The question of the effect of a global war upon its generation of

children is, of course, important, but the question of its effect upon children of the Nazi-occupied countries is of paramount importance. These, with the children of unoccupied countries, shall have the burden and responsibility of reorganizing the world that is to be, and at the same time, they shall have the greatest opportunity ever given a generation. What are we doing and what shall we do to see that they shall not be found wanting? The answer is not easy or specific. No one mind, the mind of no one nation and of no one race. can truly comprehend, much less solve the problem. It is not a matter merely of vitamin feeding plus some inelastic rules plus preconceived charts and graphs, or plus anything else. The planning must be international and interracial, and to be everlasting, must be everchanging.

Let the statesman and the mechanic, the business executive and the laborer, the economist and the educator, the lawyer and the prelate do what can be done with their special abilities, and still there looms large the need for those who through love of children, and those who because of a knowledge of eugenics, obstetrics, paediatrics, psychology, psychiatry, child-guidance, and social service, to help the oncoming and ever oncoming generation.

We shall need an interglobal wise, unselfish organization of those who can speak a common language and have a common purpose which will receive the common support of the peoples of the earth. Such an organization is no more impossible than was the birth and fruition of the Red Cross.

I close by asking, shall we doom the future by our present inertia? It seems a puerile expression of our adulthood to foster a world of little zombies.

Beverly R. Tucker, M.D. Richmond, Virginia.





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#### Don't You Ever Get Tired Being Around Sick People?

(Kansas City Medical Journal)

It is interesting to consider how many times in a medical life this question is asked. Certainly every physician is confronted with this poser. The answer may vary from a smirk which carries the implication of a monastic life spent in self-denial to a shrug of the shoulders which could mean anything.

The high-falutin' specialist who sees the patient less frequently is less apt to be asked this question. Ordinarily he is not so well acquainted with his patients as the family doctor. About him is that mantle of remoteness which, though artificial, still negates any chumminess on the part of the patient.

What inspires such a question? Is it just a pat phrase, a wedge to open some other topic of conversation? Is it a covert expression of admiration—or just a softening prelude to "how much is my bill"? The precise answer to these queries varies with each case, therefore remains unanswerable.

As to how the physician actually feels in response to this ubiquitous questioning, this must likewise remain variable. To receive an urgent call at 2 A. M.—to find someone who "is a bundle of nerves, not outwardly but an inward nervousness, doctor." "My hands and feet go to sleep, and my tongue feels paralyzed"—all the while jabbering at a mile a minute—a condition which was there yesterday and for the last week—"but got worse tonight—about 6:00 or 7:00 o'clock."

The husband is reassured (nothing serious), a sedative is given and then the question is asked, ingratiatingly, "Don't you ever get tired of being around sick people?" What sort of an answer should anyone with an I.Q of over minus zero expect?

To the family physician who has spread hope and confidence in his many house calls, who has spent the night in a home trying to assuage the pain of childbirth, who has just administered the last necessary relief to the inoperable carcinoma—to him, presenting as he does a tired, wan-eyed and perhaps pathetic figure—this question can only represent a tacit but sincere tribute.

Then comes the season of hunting or fishing—and baseball or football—medical meetings, away from home, aren't so bad either. The answer to the poser then is "h—yes!" Yet how many who do not seek some diversion, die with "their boots on!" V. T. W.

Dentists Promoted

Dr. William T. James, former Youngstown Exodontist and oral surgeon has been promoted to major at Truax Field, Madison, Wis. He is chief of oral surgery at the station hospital there. Major James entered military service as a first lieutenant in September, 1942, and has been stationed at Truax since October of that year. A graduate of University of Pittsburgh, he formely had offices in the Mahoning Bank Bldg. His wife and son are living in Madison.

Lt. Col. Harold E. Kerr, U.S.N., former local Exodontist, and Mrs. Kerr are spending the week with local friends. They have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. G. Nichols, Forest Glen, also Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Brown. Lt. Col. Kerr is stationed at Great Lakes, Ill.

#### Dr. Mahrer's Painting Is Given First Prize

Dr. Martin P. Mahrer of 361 Fairgreen Ave. won first prize for an oil painting at the American Physicians' Art Association exhibit recently in the Steven's Hotel in Chicago.

Dr. Mahrer's painting, "Mahoning River," is a view from the Mahoning Ave. bridge, showing Salt Spring Road. He received first prize for a water color in 1942 in an exhibit held in Atlantic City.

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#### PRESIDENT'S PAGE

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that next spring you will be able to make it bigger but from my knowledge of the speakers this year I doubt if it will be better.

The greeting cards sent to us at Christmas this last year were most appropriate and I am sure were appreciated by all. Some one had a very good idea.

I have read the "Medical Service Plan" and in most instances agree that it was very well done—but I did wonder about a few of the provisions that I feel should be brought to the attention of the Committee. It may be that the questions I raise are of no significance and if so they should be ignored.

Under Article I, Section 2, it appears that provisions have not been made for physicians residing in Girard, Niles and McDonald who are members of the Mahoning County Medical Society and refer their patients to the Youngstown hospitals to participate as active members.

I also wonder if the residents of the above named communities are to be excluded as Article IV, Section 1C appears to further strengthen the statement made in Article 1, Section 2 in reference to the eligibility of those desiring to become active members.

The phrasing of Article 2, Section 3 might be improved by having it read, "... in establishing and operating a Medical Care Plan providing free choice of physician without profit to this corporation."

Under Article 2, Section 4, there is no limit as to the amount that can be spent nor does it state specifically who will decide just what limit will be placed on such activities.

I also believe that specific provisions should be made for an audit and regularly yearly reports—also an annual meeting of all active members on a certain specified date, but ten days before is not sufficient time to send the notices to the members—why not send notices 30 days before and then again ten days before the annual meeting.

Attention should be called to Article VIII, Section 6, in which authority is given the Board of Trustees to alter, amend or repeal the By-Laws and the legality of that provision determined.

The above are not meant as complaints and it is possible that all have been considered and the wording is exactly as the committee wishes it to be.

There is very little news that I can report for as you know most of the medical men from our area that were out here have finished their tour of duty and gone home for reassignment.

Please remember me to any of my friends that you may happen to see and with every good wish to you and your family, I am,

Sincerely yours,

BILL EVANS.

- P.S.: Believe the Society made a very wise choice in selecting Bill Bunn for President-elect. He is a hard worker and I am sure he will be a valuable asset during the coming years.
- P.P.S.: Just what do people think of the Wagner bill? None of the doctors out here think much of it but since we are supposed to keep out of politics no one can do much about it. We do appreciate the work that is being done by you at home.

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#### FROM OUR DOCTORS IN THE SERVICE

Doctors are earnestly requested to write the Bulletin of their activities and by all means CHANGE OF ADDRESS. Let's help keep the good work up.

May 31, 1944

Just received another copy of the Bulletin which I enjoyed thoroughly.

Since I last wrote to you there has been a change of address and of rank. I'm now on a transport with several other doctors.

Sincerely and gratefully. Send Bulletin to new address.

R. S. McClintock, P. A. Surg.

June 27, 1944

This is just a short note to ask that you correct my mailing address for the Medical Society Bulletin. The proper address is 2006-D N. Portier Court, Mobile, Alabama. The address as you have it is incorrect. Note that the street name is Portier, not Porter. Since there is a Porter Court in Mobile, this correction will remove a source of confusion.

Moreover, I recently had a promotion and my correct rank is now Past As-

sistant Surgeon (R).

By reading the Bulletin closely, I can still read your fine Italian hand behind the editorial page. From it I sort of gathered you are still doing a tremendous piece of work for the Medical Society. Someday I hope to get back to Youngstown so that you and I can do some more of our gabbing like we used to do.

Past Ass't Surgeon (R) Harold J. Reese

July 7, 1944

Have been somewhere in England for some time now and am happy to say I had a pleasant journey, the country is fine and army food excellent; however, had a real bit of pleasure when the "Bulletin" came as one of my first pieces of forwarded mail. Many regards to the Doctors at home and abroad.

Major Sam Goldberg

August 4, 1944 It has been quite a long while since I last wrote you a letter and since I have a new APO number I thought I would write and give you my new address. It is still New Guinea but the APO is now 565. This moving business reminds me of the guy who said it is easier to move than to pay rent. Well, you can judge my rent paying ability by the fact that I have moved about twenty-five times since I have joined the Army. Incidentally, I have been in the Army two years today. It has been a long two years.

Last week while visiting at the 27th General Hospital on business I met Lt.

Helen Kral from St. Elizabeth's. It is the first time that I have met a local nurse since I have been in foreign service. Lt. Maletic from Campbell is stationed with her but I did not get to see her.

The regimental surgeon has been on leave for the past six weeks and I have ben taking over in his absence and the paper work is enough to keep a full time secretary busy. If you come to New Guinea I can assure you of a full time job. Let me know when I can expect you.

It sure was quite a surprise to hear that Major Sears was at home on sick leave. I sure wish I could be back there again as I have been in New Guinea for I year today. Today seems to be anniversary day. The day that I am looking forward to is the day when I can see orders stating that I have been transferred back to the states. I am eligible for rotation to the states as I have served eighteen months overseas but I am not too optimistic about my prospects.

The Medical Bulletin has been a little slow in arriving recently but that is probably due to the fact that you do not have my latest address. I enjoy reading the articles in it but I think it would be much better if more of the men in the services would write letters and let us know through the bulletin what they

are doing.

Recently I have had to be a pharmacist as well as a medical officer as our pharmacist is on furlough. It seems as though I am called upon to do most anything except the thing that I came into the Army to do. I could give lots of gripes but that only puts me in bad humor so I won't. I am getting tired of getting up on the wrong side of the world and will be plenty happy when I can get up and see the smog of good old Youngstown. Greetings to the Bureau and the Medical Society.

Capt. G. E. DeCicco

P. S.: From the appearance of my typing you can see how badly I need a stenographer.

July 1, 1944

I think I am now settled with this hospital. There were a lot of changes over here lately, and will probably be more before too long, the way things are going in France. The old timers over here are certainly anxious to get home. I received the June Bulletin shortly before I left the staging area. Thanks a lot.

Lt. Clyde K. Walter

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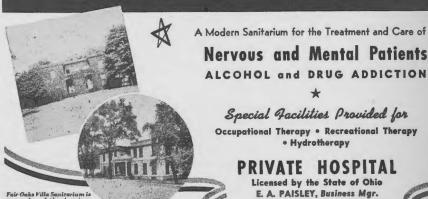
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Greetings from this side of the pond. I am still getting the Bulletin and I appreciate reading that little bit of home from cover to cover. There's no news in particular from my little corner, and I'm not too good at spinning tall yarns. Best to you all.

Capt. M. M. Kendall

Just a few lines to let you know I am receiving my Bulletin regularly and certainly do appreciate it. I have again changed my location, quite different here, indeed. I have been trying to locate Brandmiller and DeCicco but so far have had no success. I hear Stan Meyers was home. I sure would have liked to see him. I was fortunate in seeing Joe Keogh in our former location and he sure did a lot of fine work there.

The troops are all in fine shape doing a great job and our enlisted men deserve much more credit than is given them. Tell all the men I said hello. Sincerely,

Capt. Densmore Thomas

#### SINCE LAST MONTH—

Dr. and Mrs. Paul J. Mahar, with their children, Mary and Paul, Jr., spent a fortnight's vacation at Atlantic City where they were guests at the Seaside.

Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Turner are spending several weeks visiting Dr. Turner's relatives at Long Beach, Cal.

Lt. Comm. M. B. Goldstein of the Navy Medical Corps, spent Tuesday, July 18th, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goldstein, having stopped over on the way from Newport, R. I., to the west coast.

Lt. Commander J. L. Fisher, M. C., USNR, is home on short leave before being transferred to sea duty, after having been stationed for four months at Camp Endicott, Davisville, R. I. Visiting Lieutenant Commander Fisher and Mrs. Fisher over the week end at their home in Forest Glen are their son and daughter-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Fisher, Jr., of Akron, and their small son, James L. Fisher III.

Maj. Louis Deitchman, former

eye, ear, nose, and throat specialist here, is now head of that division of the 182nd General Hospital in England. The hospital has a 1,000-bed capacity with facilities for expansion if needed.

Major Deitchman entered service with the ground forces in August, 1942, and was assigned to the Technical Training Command of the air force until last March, when he was given his present assignment and sent overseas. Mrs. Deitchman is living at 135 Upland Ave.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Maine announce the birth of a son on July 17 at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stewart Ryall and their children, Jack and Lucy Shepard, have returned to their home in Devon, Conn., after a visit with the former's father, Dr. Wallace W. Ryall, and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gibson Head, Selma Ave. Dr. Ryall's other son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace W. Ryall, with their children, Billy and Larry, of Schenectady, N. Y., also here for the family reunion, will stay until the last of October.

Mrs. Stanley A. Myers went to Sampson, N. Y., for the week end, visiting her husband, Lt. Commander Myers, USNR, who is stationed at the naval hospital there after 27 months' service in the Pacific.

The baby born to Dr. and Mrs. Howard E. Mathay on July 26 at North Side unit, Youngstown Hospital, has been named Mary Frances. Mrs. Mathay and her daughter are now at their home in Churchill Road, Girard.

Dr. and Mrs. F. F. Piercy, Volney Road, have returned from the Chautauqua Lake Assembly Grounds, where they spent several days.

Dr. and Mrs. Myron Owen (Grace Patrick) of Ravenna came Sunday for a brief visit with Mrs. Owen's father, Dr. H. E. Patrick, before leaving for a vacation cruise on the lakes.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Lupse, Potomac Drive, announce the birth of a son, Raymond Morris Lupse, Aug. 23, at North Side unit, Youngstown hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. James D. Brown and their daughters, Joan and Betty, Mill Creek Drive, will return home today after a vacation at the Chautauqua Lake Assembly Grounds.

St. Elizabeth Hospital Alumnae will meet at 8 p. m. Tuesday at the main nurses' home when Miss Mary Hynes will speak on "Welfare Resources in Youngstown."

Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Rothrock have arrived home after a threeweek vacation at Estes Park, Colo.

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Pfc. and Mrs. Earl Evans Brant recently came from Philadelphia for a two-week visit with the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Brant, at their home on Chestnut Ridge Road. Private Brant is a student at Jefferson Medical College.

Dr. William L. Mermis and family, Lakeview Ave., have left for St. Louis, where Dr. Mermis will

take a postgraduate course at St. Louis University.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles L. Marsteller and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marsteller have returned from a sojourn at Madison-on-the-Lake.

Dr. and Mrs. Vernon L. Goodwin and little daughter Jean have returned home after a few weeks' vacation at Madison-on-the-Lake.

#### TO OPEN SPEECH CORRECTION CLINIC

(The following explains itself.—Editor.)

September 12, 1944

Dr. Claude B. Norris, Editor Mahoning County Medical Society Youngstown, Ohio

Dear Dr. Norris:

On the first of October I am opening a branch office of the Cleveland Speech Correction Clinic in Youngstown at the Medical Arts building. To my knowledge, this will make available for the first time specialized professional care for the speech defectives in that area. Because of the shortage of personnel and the need for workers in Cleveland, the Youngstown office will function only two days weekly, probably Tuesday and Friday.

To acquaint the medical profession of Mahoning County with this new service, Dr. J. M. Cavanaugh suggested that I write you and if possible have a notice published in the Bulletin. I should also like, if available, a list of members of the Medical Society so that I could send them individual announcements to keep on file.

The function of the clinic is to treat stutterers, articulatory defectives of all types, post-operative cleft-palate cases, voice cases and other such speech problems which arise from the mal-functioning of the speech mechanism whether the basic cause be functional or organic. The greater part of our work is done in

conjunction with physicians and in many cases following surgery or orthodontia.

It is our wish to be of service to as many speech defectives as possible. Anything you may do to help us accomplish this will be deeply appreciated.

This clinic was originally founded and sponsored by Cleveland City Hospital. It is at present affiliated with the Cleveland Academy of Medicine and is a member clinic of the American Speech Correction Association.

Sincerely yours,

A. B. GOTTLOBER, Ph. D., Cleveland Speech Correction Clinic

#### AN IRISH STORY

Two Irishmen were discussing a mutual friend who had just died.

"Dolan was a fine man," said

Clancy.

"He was that," Murphy said, "honest, hard workin', good to his family."

"He was generous too," added

Clancy.

"I never knew that," said Murphy, "how do you mean, he was gener-

ous?"

"Well," Clancy searched feverishly for some proof of Dolan's generosity. "I'll tell you. Once some of the boys and I were in a bar an' Dolan came in and said, 'Well, boys, what are we going to have . . . rain or snow?"

#### AN AMERICAN SAGA

#### Elizabeth

In the beginning, young Elizabeth, Complying with an old-world custom, came

To New World shores with Michael of Kildare.

A seemly husband, chosen by austere But loving parents. Through her lonely

Among the Cape Cod pioneers, the beat, The ceaseless haunting music of the sea Pervaded all the background of her days, Until its changeless rhythm became a part of Lisa's very soul. Her dancing feet Kept perfect time upon the spindle's tread, And as she wove, she hummed the wistful tunes

Of Derry and of Dee. Her loom grew bright

With ballads of Wee Folk. As on a harp, She sent her magic shuttle to and fro Among the shining strings, until the small And seamless robe was finished. Love, she thought,

Had passed her by . . . until the tiny form Of clinging Mary lay within her arms. She drew the dazzling seamless garment close . . .

Like organ-notes the far resistless sea Engulfed her in desireless harmony.

#### Mary

At nineteen, Mary, clad in hunting green, Took David, her true love's unpliant hand

And fared forth bravely to the Middle

That land of dusty sunlight, golden corn And endless prairies. David's strength transformed

Their world to luxury and Mary dreamed. The high winds sang across the fields of wheat.

And beat like waves upon a sunset shore; The white gull's wings went circling ov-

In rhythmic cycles all unknown to man, And something ancient stirred in Mary's heart.

The song of river-men beside the Dee? Or Irish dawnings, jubliant and bright And fragrant in the Londonderry air? Sweet-spoken words came rushing to her thoughts,

Demanding life and light. She joyed to see They made a pattern, diamond-like and true,—

She felt the harpstrings move across the wheat,

The sombre pull of tides upon the sea. She smiled on Faith, white matrix of her life Triumphant look of one who knows at

The meaning of the ever-present past.

#### Faith

This joyous Faith, beloved of gods, seemed made

Of light and laughter; melody coursed through

Her veins instead of blood. The vibrant song

Of vivid youth was ever on her lips Hers for the singing . . . and so love found her.

Beyond the high Sierras where the west Bewitches those bred up in sterner lands, She filled her destiny. The morning stars Above the mountains sang, to flood her

With breathless symphonies . . . as though

Played in her brain, or white and beating wings

Of hidden gulls demanded to be free. Through many a quiet dusk, the golden notes

Of Bach or Mozart, somber or serene Filled listening air. So every human mood Could be translated into phantasy.

Sometimes her wandering fingers found romance

In pastorales of waving fields of wheat, (Though Faith had never seen a field of grain)

As the beloved master, Beethoven, Though hearing naught, knew all life's harmony.

And sometimes as she sang a lullaby, She heard the mournful Banshee's haunting cry.

#### L'Envoi

The infant, Michael, lying on the sands Of old Nantucket, finds a rosy shell His best-loved toy. Its muffled resonance Awakes response within his dawning mind . . .

The great Harp-player tunes another string

To that great rhythm which rules the universe.

From sea to sea, the tiny spark shall roll Unquenched, while man retains a living soul.

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