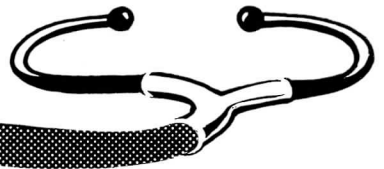




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Our President Speaks

PHYSICIAN AND POLITICS

A group of Illinois Physicians have organized the Illinois Medical Political Action Committee "to support candidates for public office who believe in the free enterprise system, regardless of their party affiliations."

However hackneyed the expression "support of political parties and backing of individual candidates are the responsibilities of citizenship" may have become through constant repetition, it has lost none of its truth. Physicians as citizens, intelligent, informed, and respected, owe it to the position that they occupy in society to become more actively engaged in the affairs of local, state, and national government. Only by such participation can the art of practical politics be elevated to the position of dignity that it deserves.

By failing to become identified with political campaigns or to participate in partisan politics, a physician has more to lose than the few, if any, friends or patients that might be alienated by such action. A far greater loss may be that of the private practice of medicine as an institution, the freedom of individual opportunity and the high standard of medical care that he, as a physician, is dedicated to protect.

I would like to emphasize that it is just as important to vote intelligently at the grass root level as it is nationally. Let's not forget that WE are THE GOVERNMENT, and our choice should be made with wisdom and deliberation.

—A. K. Phillips, M.D.
President

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DR. PAUL J. FUZY — 1892-1961

When Paul Fuzy laid down his proctoscope and left us for that realm where all good doctors go, Youngstown lost its leading proctologist and we doctors lost a good friend.

So many of us remember him as the man who established the first proctological service in the Youngstown Hospital and the founder of the Cotton Tail Club but only a few remember him as a general practitioner, a prominent obstetrician and a top-notch general surgeon. Many people for miles around wear their little gold rabbit pins with pride and remember how the pin presentation helped to tide over the trying post-operative days after their rectal and colonic surgery. They were never told of the long and hard years of preparation before he reached the perfection in his specialty which made him not only deft and sure but also a warm hearted and sympathetic friend of suffering people.

They were never told of the days when he drove a taxicab in Buffalo to earn the expense of his medical education. When he graduated from the University and came to Youngstown as an interne in 1918 he was one of four who carried on when so many of our doctors were in France with Base Hospital 37 and the great influenza epidemic was raging. There were no residents, no special assistants, just four internes to handle the emergencies, assist in the surgery, deliver the babies, man the dispensary and do the histories and physicals.

They were never told of the low point of his career when he acquired an eye infection in the laboratory and lay for a month wondering if he would ever see well again or be able to enter the practice of medicine.

The one bright spot in that serious illness was his nursing care. Pretty Louise Fehr was assigned to his case and when visitors would ask him how he felt he would manage spirit enough to make a homely pun. He would turn to his nurse and say "Pretty Fair" and Louise would blush. You can guess the outcome. When he recovered and finished his internship he married Louise and they lived happily ever after. Two sons blessed their union. Paul Junior is now a successful proctologist in Florida and Robert is director of Station WOSU, teaching communications at Ohio State University.

After his internship he entered general practice. So many deliveries in the obstetrics department when the doctors were overwhelmed with the epidemic gave him a great interest in maternity cases. He went up to Buffalo to watch Dr. Potter who was then the leading exponent of the podalic version. When he came back he acquired long rubber gloves reaching to the elbow and became prominent for delivering difficult cases by version and extraction. There was no department of obstetrics and gynecology then so he was assigned to the surgical section of the Youngstown Hospital Staff. Soon he was doing more general surgery than obstetrics and had no time at all for general practice.

Then came the great decision. The field of proctology was open after the death of Dr. Carl Allison, our first specialist in rectal diseases. There was need for someone with adequate surgical training to fill the gap. Paul Fuzy saw the need and prepared himself for it. He went to Detroit and studied under Hirschman, the greatest name then in proctology. He went to the Mayo Clinic for further training and came back to Youngstown in 1935 to begin his greatest work.

The rest of his career is well known. He established the first department of rectal and colonic surgery for training of residents and many of the young doctors who studied under his teaching are now successful proctologists. Harry Smith and Armin Banez are two shining local examples.

Above all, he was a kind and considerate person. He loved his patients and they loved him. He left a heritage of fond memories, devoted friends and an outstanding record of good deeds. What more can be said of a man?

—J. L. Fisher, M.D.

DR. JORDAN TO SPEAK IN APRIL

In the first scientific meeting since the Postgraduate Assembly of last October, the Mahoning County Medical Society will present Dr. Michael J. Jordan of New York City at the April 18th meeting of the society. Dr. Jordan's subject will be: The Early Diagnosis and Management of Cancer of the Cervix.

Arrangements for Dr. Jordan's appearance was made by the Mahoning County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

DR. ANNIS AT OSSA MEETING

Dr. S. W. Ondash, president of the Ohio State Surgical Association, has announced that Dr. E. R. Annis, who recently represented the AMA on the "Face the Nation" telecasts, will be a panelist at the one-day meeting of OSSA in Columbus, Friday, May 5.

The morning program will be devoted to a full level discussion on Chemotherapy in Cancer. Afternoon program consists of a panel discussion of thyroid disease, and the socio-economic panel discussion, moderated by Dr. Edward R. McCormick, past president of the AMA.

For further information and reservations, write Mr. Mac Shaffer, Ex. Sec., OSSA, 526 E. Dunedin Rd., Columbus, 14, Ohio.

MEDICAL-LEGAL BANQUET

One hundred and twenty lawyers and physicians enjoyed the seventh annual Medical-Legal Banquet, March 23, at the Mahoning Country Club.

Principal speaker was Dr. George David McClure, M.D., L.L.B., who spoke on better understanding between physicians and attorneys. Dr. A. K. Phillips, president of the medical society, and Mr. Jacob Levy, president of the bar association, spoke briefly. This year's meeting was sponsored by the Mahoning County Bar Association.

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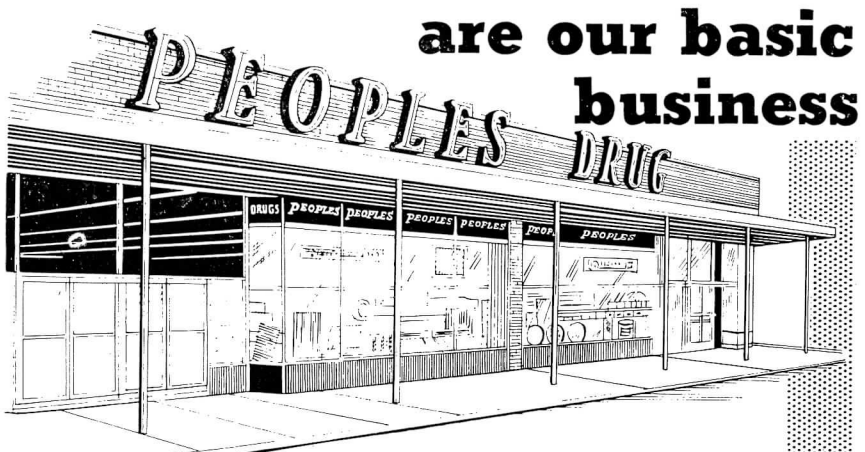
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CONSULTATIONS

"Everybody talks about it, but nobody does a thing about it." This comment, usually referring to the weather, could easily be applied in the medical world, to the problem of the consultation.

Not that consultations are so bad — they are a necessary part of good medical practice. But there are many problems involved in the etiquette of the situation which could well benefit by some open discussion.

It would seem simple enough when a doctor wants another opinion, to call in a colleague and get advice. This could be because he is in doubt and needs advice; or perhaps the family is concerned and desires another opinion; or there may be a question whether the patient may require surgical or specialized medical treatment such as psychotherapy or physiotherapy.

Thus we see that the reasons for requesting a consultation are many and varied, and thus, the type of consultation which is given may vary widely in its breadth or scope, as the situation warrants. The information provided in the consultation should depend upon (1) the reasons for which the consultation was requested and (2) the desires of the referring physician concerning the future care of the patient.

This is where we get into difficulty, usually because the consulting physician is left in the dark in regard to the answers to these two questions. Either he is not asked for specific information, in which case he is left on his own to dig out of the patient the whole history of the illness and why the patient was sent for consultation; or he may not be advised whether the referring doctor wishes him to continue with the patient or not. If he is a good mind reader, the referring physician gets his patient back with advice for the problem, but if not, dissension and distrust result between doctors and the patient suffers.

It seems to me that the answers to this problem are obvious. Too often the referring physician is either too busy or too timid to state exactly what he wants. Usually when the referring physician asks for help, he has in mind a specific problem, and he should make it clear to the consultant that he wants a specific type of help. Having studied the patient, obtained the laboratory data, and arrived at a problem, it is then his duty to *place these facts at the disposal of the consultant* in the form of a brief note or letter, stating the problem clearly. Having thus done his part in the matter, he is then entitled to request one of three basic types of consultation, which I have listed as follows:

- (1) *SINGLE VISIT* — Consultant to examine patient; give an opinion and *recommend* treatment.
- (2) *CONSULT AND CONTINUE* — Consultant to examine the patient, give an opinion and follow the patient at daily or regular intervals with the referring physician.
- (3) *ASSUME THE CASE* — Patient requires specialized treatment — referring physician will retire from active participation in the case.

In types (1) and (2) the consultant should refrain from writing direct orders unless such orders are of immediate necessity and the referring physician is not present. This is to eliminate the problem of "too many cooks." Following the initial consultation, the consultant should make comments and suggestions via the progress report sheet.

In type (2) there remains the problem of when and how to terminate the services of the consultant. This is often done by the consultant himself, when he sees that the situation is under control, or it may be handled by a polite "thank you" note on the chart by the referring physician.

There are many more facets to this interesting medical practice, and we hope to discuss these in future issues of the "Bulletin." An instance might be the revision of the hospital consultation sheet to provide a listing of these three types of consultations, so that the type of consultation might be marked with an "X"—and including space for a brief description of the specific problem.

The primary purpose of this article, however, is to stir up your interest, and possibly to provoke a few letters to the editor, as I am sure there are some strong opinions on this matter.

—R. R. Fisher, M.D.

MEDICAL ASSISTANTS ANNOUNCE OBJECTIVES

At a meeting for inauguration of officers, the Medical Assistants Society of Mahoning County announced the following objectives:

1. *To inspire its members to render honest, loyal and more efficient service to the profession and the public which they serve.*
2. *To cooperate with the medical profession in improving public relations.*
3. *To establish and maintain ethical standards and to promote the social and educational status of its membership.*
4. *To affiliate with the Ohio Society of Medical Assistants and the American Association of Medical Assistants.*
5. *To provide part-time service to doctors who are in the need of part-time help during illnesses, vacations, etc.*

The officers installation ceremony was conducted by Dr. A. K. Phillips. Principal speaker was Mr. Fred Nebot, public relations director of St. Elizabeth Hospital. Short speeches were made by Dr. D. W. Metcalf, Dr. A. A. Detesco, Dr. G. E. DiCicco, Dr. W. E. Sovik, and Mr. H. C. Rempes. Master of ceremonies was Miss Dorothy Klein. Presiding was Mrs. Virginia Lewis, president.

The meeting was held following dinner at the Mural Room on Tuesday, March 7.

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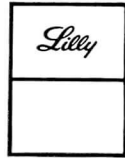
On April 4, "Consultation" celebrated its 100th broadcast as the popular radio program nears the beginning of its third year on the air.

An interesting audience break-down has been provided by the WKBN promotion department. According to a recent survey conducted by the station, there are 139 persons listening to the program in every 100 homes tuned in. Of this, 64 are women, 62 are men, and 13 are teen-agers, making a 90.6 adult audience.

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This means, of course, that when the present supply is exhausted the 200,000 unit tablet will no longer be available.

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—L. A. Blum, M.D.

Health Commissioner

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We are proud of these physicians who have been called upon to preside over state organizations and wish them continued success in their tenure of office.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: If there are other members who hold the office of president of any state or national organization, medical or non-medical, we would like to have this information for use in the Bulletin.

BOARD OF HEALTH BULLETIN — CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN REPORT FOR FEBRUARY OF 1961

	<i>Resident</i>		<i>Non-Resident</i>		<i>Total</i>
	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	
Births	143	116	122	130	511
Deaths	70	61	40	53	224
Infant Deaths	7	0	3	4	14

Report for February of 1960

Births	171	179	184	168	702
Deaths	90	73	60	50	273
Infant Deaths	2	5	1	2	10

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

	February, 1961		February, 1960	
	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Deaths</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Deaths</i>
Chicken Pox	104	0	92	0
Diphtheria	0	0	0	0
Measles	234	0	7	0
Mumps	11	0	100	0
Ep. Meningitis	0	0	1	0
Polio	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever	30	0	8	0
Tuberculosis	6	3	3	2
Typhoid	0	0	0	0
Whooping Cough	0	0	0	0
Infectious Hepatitis	1	0	0	0
Rheumatic Fever	5	0	2	0
G. C.	7	0	24	0
Syphilis	10	0	7	0

VENEREAL DISEASES

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>New Patients</i>			
Syphilis	1	4	5
Gonorrhea	9	2	11
Total Patients			16
Total Visits (Patients) to Clinic			112

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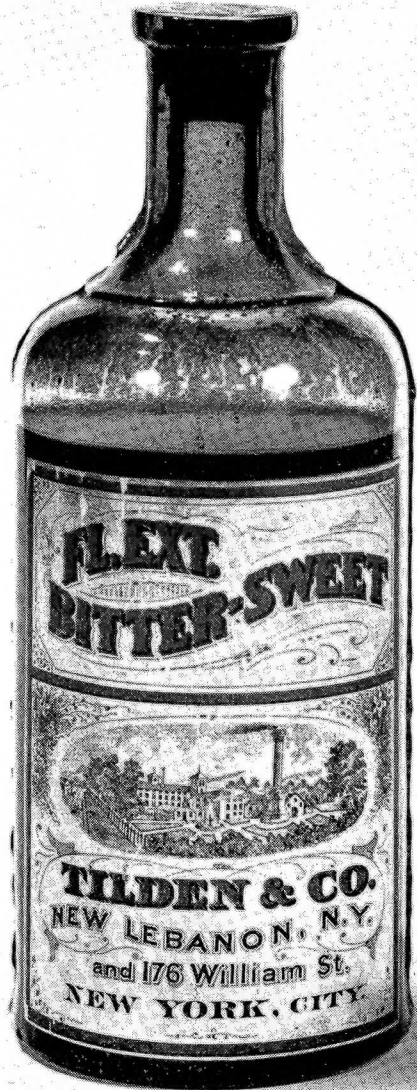
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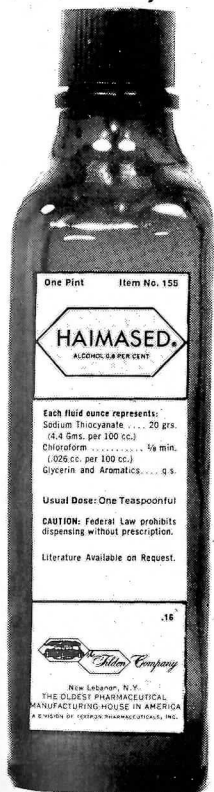
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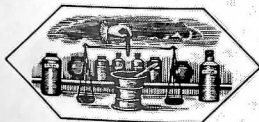
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SOCIAL NEWS — YOUNGSTOWN HOSPITAL



Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Hall went by plane to the West Indies. Their vacation was spent in Jamaica and Montego Bay. On April 29th Raymond Hall, Jr., will be married to Miss Judith Ann Olson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Olson.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Wagner announce the engagement and coming marriage of their daughter, Coral Lee, to Thomas E. Willson, Jr., of South Orange, N. J. The ceremony will be solemnized April 1. They are students at Baldwin-Wallace College.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Stanley Curtis were in Florida and Nassau for a few weeks vacation.

Dr. and Mrs. Jack Schriber were in New York City for a brief holiday. While there they saw a stage play on Broadway.

Tom Cook, the son of Dr. and Mrs. George Cook, finished in eighth place in the Down Hill Ski Race at Mont Tremblant, Quebec. There were 88 entrants in the race. He missed getting a silver medal by one-third of a second. Dr. Art Shorten and his son, Rick, received bronze medals and came within two seconds of each other. Mrs. Cook, who accompanied her son, wound up in a leg cast. There are persistent rumors that George was trying a new treatment or how to keep your wife at home.

Dr. Fred Schellhase has been appointed to the Board of Theological Education of the American Lutheran Church. It is the governing board of the American Lutheran Seminaries in the United States and Canada. He recently attended a meeting of the board in Minneapolis.

John Noll, son of Dr. and Mrs. John Noll, was named to the Dean's List at DePauw University. Alice Coombs, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Fred Coombs, was initiated into Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at Denison University.

Drs. A. A. Detesco and Herman Ipp attended the course on Peripheral Vascular Diseases at Bunt's Institute of Cleveland Clinic in March.

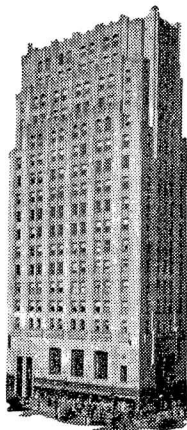
Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Turner and Dr. and Mrs. Donald Gross are going to Paris and the Riviera attending the seminar sponsored by Jefferson Medical College.

Dr. and Mrs. Bert Katz announced the birth of a son on March 15th. This is their fourth child. Dr. W. H. Bunn has become a grandfather again. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bunn of Poland had a son on March 13th. Lt. and Mrs. John C. Vance, Jr., announce the birth of a son. Lt. Vance is the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Clair Vance of Poland. Dr. Vance, who has been a patient in the Cleveland Clinic is now at home.

Drs. Fred Coombs and Robert Jenkins have attended a seminar on endocrinology at the University of Virginia.

Dr. Frank Inui has become quite a basketball fan with Liberty High. At the time of this writing the game with Madison South was yet to be played; by the time this is printed I hope he can say, "We won!"

—G. E. DeCicco, M.D.



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I goofed again! I guess it's a good thing that my reporting career is almost over. I neglected to mention the social committee for the Health Careers Recruitment held on March 21st. Without them the students wouldn't have had the coke party and informal time following the tours. A belated thank you to Virginia Detesco and Mary Gordon for their efforts at South Side Hospital, and to Jackie Boniface and Peggy Sofranec at North Side Hospital. Members on their committee were Grett Agey, Lois Berg, Lou Dobson, June Fisher, Becky Friedrich, Cathy Petraglia, Eleanor Pichette and Elsie Squicquero.

As in any organization, there are always those who give of their time and efforts who never are fully recognized or thanked (especially with me doing the reporting). If I have overlooked anyone during this past year, I am very sorry, it was not intentional, only ignorance of "the facts" on my part.

I find it very difficult to write about something before it takes place, as if it has already occurred. This article is due the day before the recruitment day takes places so I will hold off any reporting of it till next time, even though it will be a little late.

I do hope we will have a good turnout for the April 18th meeting to be held at the YWCA. We will meet first at the pool for a demonstration in water safety. The program is under the direction of Helen Kalfas and Mary Chiasson. The nominating committee will give their report, followed by the election of officers. A most important time in the affairs of our auxiliary. Tea in the Green Room will then end our afternoon. Marjorie Mermis will be assisted by Sabina Ondash and Deloris Gasser on the social end of the program.

By virtue of their husbands becoming honorary members of the Mahoning County Medical Society, we are pleased to announce that Mrs. W. K. Allsop and Mrs. W. B. Turner are now honorary members of the Women's Auxiliary to the Mahoning County Medical Society.

The Annual Ohio State Medical Auxiliary Convention will be held at the Sheraton Gibson Hotel on April 10 through 13. If you are in Cincinnati with your husband, drop in for a visit with the other wives from around the state. Try to take part in the convention activities; Those gals have worked hard to provide an entertaining time for all. The business meetings can also be very interesting.

Our "Evening in Paris" was very worthwhile as well as entertaining. We were able this year to present \$900.00 in local scholarships, \$450.00 each to Youngstown Hospital Association and St. Elizabeth Hospital for one of their deserving students enrolled in a health career. As Mr. Nebot told us last September, we may wear our pretty hats and attend our teas as long as we remember our obligations as "Doctors' Wives." I believe we have tried very well this past year to do just that. Now is also a good time to remind your husband again of AMEF. Be sure to tell Carol Cook of the contribution.

—Shirley Caccamo,

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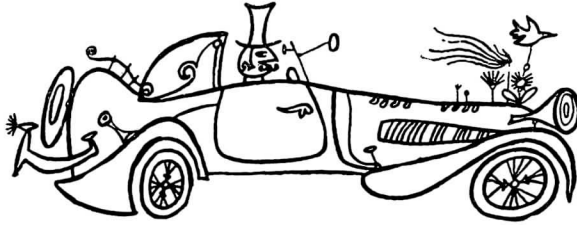
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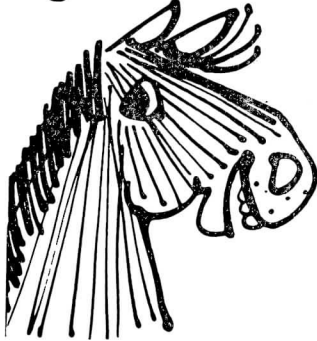
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Twenty Years Ago — April, 1941

In those days April was synonymous with Post-Graduate Day. Later on when it became a Sixth District project it was changed to October but then the spring days were marked by feverish activity. It was traditional that it never (well hardly ever) rained. Doctors would come from Pennsylvania, East Liverpool, Akron, Canton and all over, attracted by the big names on the program.

That year we had William S. Middleton, Joseph Gale, Elmer L. Severinghaus and Ralph M. Waters from the University of Wisconsin. They gave papers on "Endocrine Therapy," "Empyema," "Shock," "Anesthesiology" and "Thoracic Surgery." Sessions at the Hotel Ohio lasted all day and a great crowd turned out. It was the 14th in our series of Post-Graduate Days.

The roster of guests rivaled the names of the speakers in prominence. William S. McElroy, dean of medicine at the University of Pittsburgh; M. A. Blankenhorn from University of Cincinnati, C. A. Doan from Ohio State University, Roy W. Scott from Western Reserve, Jonathan Forman from Columbus, Harry Poryzek from Cleveland and Barney Hein from Toledo were here for the day.

Some of those who couldn't make it for the meeting were Asher Randall at Fort Bragg, M. H. Steinberg at Camp Selby, Samuel Goldberg at Camp Davis, Samuel Epstein at Fort Jackson and Ivan Smith at Carlisle Barracks.

A letter from Sam Goldberg told about his arrival as a new medical officer in a camp under construction and the difficulty in finding quarters for his family. His experience should stir memories in many of our members who went through those trying times.

Our colorful columnist, Theophrastus Bombastus (the late Louis Deitchman), took a good spoof at H. Sheridan Baketel, editor of Medical Economics, who had in an editorial recommended professional association with osteopaths. His peroration (à la Swift) is worth quoting:

*We like you, Dr. Baketel,
We like the "Osteos" as well.
Your counsel we will take to heart
Since you presume to take their part,
We'll hobnob with them and will play
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We'll share the sick, Doc Baketel.
We will? Indeed we will like h—l.*

Ten Years Ago — April, 1951

President Wenaas commented on the growing pressure of demands on doctors and gave a few rules to help them serve their patients not only better but longer. He recommended first that they should train themselves not to be upset by the trivial annoyances that crop up during a day's work. Second, not to take problems home and worry about them and third to develop a relaxing hobby or hobbies both for indoors and outdoors. Good advice.

April no longer meant Post-Graduate Day in Youngstown but it did mean Ohio State Meeting in Cincinnati as it does this month. There was no scienti-

fic meeting here and everyone was urged to go to Cincinnati where several of our members were to appear on the program.

A. J. Bayuk had an important article on "Office Anesthesia" in which he described reactions to anesthetic drugs and how to treat them.

Fred Schlect and Richard Murray collaborated on an article on the "Treatment of Bleeding Peptic Ulcer" in which the importance of active feeding was stressed. The Anderson and Maulengracht diets were described.

Dr. Claude Norris passed away in February. He was president of the society in 1938, editor of the Bulletin for seven years and delegate to the A. M. A. A short sketch of his career appeared in this column last January. He was our first dermatologist and after twenty-two years of practice retired to his plantation in Virginia, near Richmond.

Capt. Louis Bloomberg reported to active duty at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Phillips were celebrating the birth of their daughter, Mary Ann, on March 16th.

W. H. Bunn and Oscar Turner were speakers at the Ohio State Meeting.

Dr. S. R. Gerber, coroner of Cuyahoga County, addressed the Academy of General Practice on "Murder, Manslaughter and Mayhem."

One hundred sixty girls from Mahoning County High Schools were entertained at a style show and tea by the Auxiliary. Mrs. Morris Rosenblum headed the committee which raised a substantial amount for the Nurses Scholarship fund. Mrs. W. H. Evans was president and Mrs. J. D. Brown the social chairman.

—J. L. Fisher, M.D.

CARDIO-VASCULAR DEPARTMENT AT ST. ELIZABETH

A significant addition to the medical facilities of the Mahoning Valley has been made with the announcement that St. Elizabeth Hospital has established a new cardio-vascular department. Now for the first time in the area, delicate open-heart surgery of a type heretofore restricted to major medical centers in the nation, will be performed locally by a team of Youngstown doctors.

Beginning a two-pronged program placing equal emphasis on diagnostic and therapeutic measures, the hospital has placed on order a variety of necessary equipment including an image orthicon amplifier for closed circuit television, and a heart-lung machine, known to the general public as the "artificial heart."

The image orthicon amplifier, the very latest model in the field, is equipped with a movie attachment thus enabling the diagnosing physician to record and evaluate existing cardio-vascular problems.

Open-heart surgery will be performed for the first time in the area, thanks to the acquisition of the "artificial heart." The heart-lung machine "beats" for the patient while the surgeon operates directly on the living heart.

The cardio-vascular team will be made up of seven physicians and two technicians. Heading the surgical section will be Dr. Edmund A. Massullo and Dr. Angelo Riberi. Dr. Leonard P. Caccamo will be in charge of the medical division. Assisting Dr. Caccamo will be Dr. Elias T. Saadi, senior medical resident at St. Elizabeth. Eventual plans for the department call for the establishment of a constant care unit for post operative treatment of patients and an increase in the hospital's laboratory facilities.

Present schedules call for the department to be in full operation by late summer or early fall.

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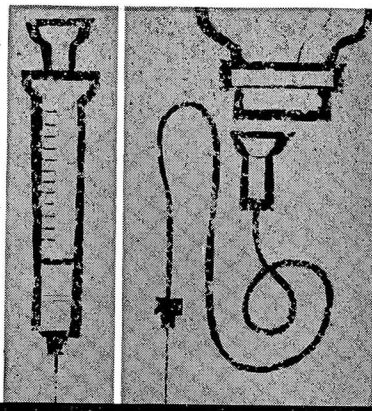
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RAY HALL has a wonderful philosophy for our horrible weather. He told me the other morning that we in this part of the country appreciate good weather more than anyone else. He said, "Just think of those fellows in the South. They don't appreciate their good weather. They have it all the time."

It is edifying to see Dr. Paul Mahar serving Mass on Sunday at St. Dominic's Church.

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I. L. FEUER, director of Mahoning County Welfare Department, has advised our president, Dr. A. K. Phillips, of the serious financial condition of the Mahoning County Welfare Department.

He states that the total approved budget of need as of January 1, 1961, was \$1,900,000. This was for all services including health care. The encumbrances against this appropriation will amount, it is estimated, after the first quarter of the year, to \$800,000. In other words, approximately 42 per cent of the entire appropriation for 1961 will have been spent in the first three months of the year.

Mr. Feuer further states that all avenues will be explored to secure new funds and it may be that the Legislature of Ohio and some federal programs might reduce costs later on.

In view of the above it may be necessary to reduce certain welfare services, furnish full services but pay only a percentage of the cost, or perhaps discontinue altogether some specific services. However, Mr. Feuer said that they would continue to do everything in their power to pay standard payments for all services received. If this is not possible, proper notification will be made to the parties concerned.

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St. Elizabeth Hospital Alumnae Association are celebrating their Jubilee Year and would like to make contact with every nurse who has graduated from St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing. They would like to have the nurse's maiden name, married name, present address, and the year in which she graduated. This is an all-out effort to contact all the nursing alumnae since the opening of the nursing school in 1911.

—John J. McDonough, M.D.

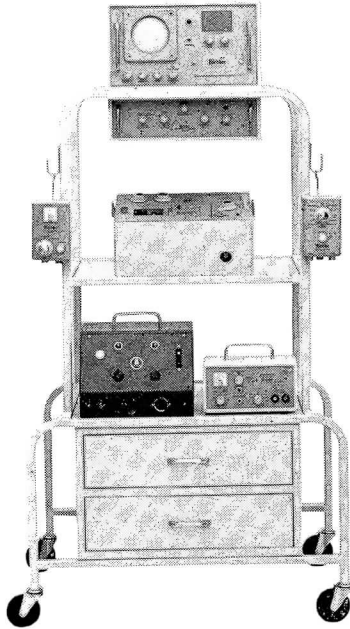
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DR. MURRAY CITED FOR NEW BUILDING

Dr. Richard D. Murray was recently honored with the presentation of a Civic Improvement Award by the Youngstown Area Chamber of Commerce for his new building at 2125 Glenwood Ave.

This is the first of what is to be an annual award by the Chamber of Commerce that will "stress excellence in design and construction as well as the suitability of the structure to its surroundings."

The new First Presbyterian Church and the City Printing Co. were honored at the same presentation.



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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

March 28, 1961

The regular monthly meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, March 28, 1961, at the Youngstown Club, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: A. K. Phillips, president, presiding, Frank Gelbman, R. R. Fisher, M. S. Rosenblum, F. G. Schlecht, H. P. McGregor, C. W. Stertzbach, C. E. Pichette, A. A. Detesco, P. J. Mahar, Asher Randell, R. J. Scheetz, H. J. Reese, and John J. McDonough. Also present were Drs. L. P. Caccamo and B. M. Brandmiller. Absent were: G. E. DeCicco, E. R. McNeal, F. A. Resch, and C. C. Wales.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Caccamo, Diabetes Committee Chairman, outlined plans to take diabetes tests in area plants in conjunction with the TB and Health Assn. A motion to support these plans was defeated.

Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that council approve diabetes testing at the Canfield Fair and during Diabetes Week under the supervision of the Diabetes Committee.

Dr. Mahar reported on a delegate meeting held March 17. He reviewed the resolutions before the OSMA House of Delegates and gave the local delegates stand. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded, and duly passed that the report be approved.

A letter was read from Dr. Louis Bloomberg calling attention to an editorial in the Vindicator entitled "Medical Care in Politics." Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded, and duly passed that such articles be answered by the chairman of the public relations committee or someone designated by him and that the letter be reviewed and signed by the president of the society.

A letter was read from Dr. Bloomberg concerning the Industrial Commission Act. Dr. Stertzbach was asked to check into the matter.

A letter was read from Mr. J. W. Pollock, Supervisor of the Division of Health and Safety of the Public Schools concerning a list of physicians for school nurse recommendations. The executive secretary was instructed to send a complete list of physicians by categories.

Dr. Brandmiller, Chairman of the School and Pre-school Health Committee emphasized that now is the time for publicity regarding polio shots. It was agreed that this be done through the public relations committee.

Dr. McDonough, chairman of the Investment Committee, announced that \$25,100.00 of society money would be invested in Massachusetts Investors Growth Fund through Butler, Wick & Company, Beadling and Company, and First Cleveland Corporation. The treasurer was instructed to sell the society's bonds to make the purchase.

A news release concerning the grievance committee was read. The release is to be sent to all news media.

Dr. Phillips read from a blueprint for action by county medical societies against compulsory health insurance measure, H. R. 4222. The executive secretary was asked to get a copy for every member of council.

Dr. Stertzbach brought up an article from the Ohio State Medical Journal which pointed out that the Communist Party and the Socialist Party support the Forand Bill. The motion was made, seconded, and duly passed that the article be reprinted and distributed by the Mahoning County Medical Society.

Meeting was adjourned.

—C. E. Pichette, M.D., Secretary

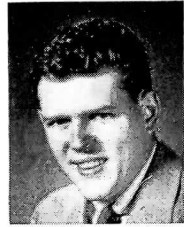


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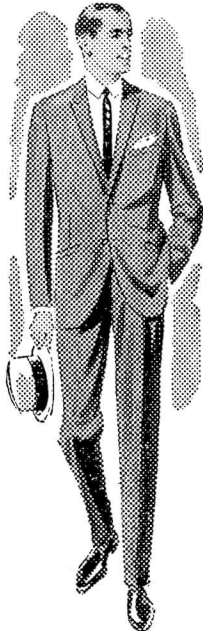
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EDITORIAL —

CAPITALISM IS NOT DEAD—NEITHER IS INFLATION!

For years I have tried to interest my family in the fascinating field of economics. Why this pseudo-science has always intrigued me I don't honestly know but it has, and, consequently, I have made all the "Life with Father" efforts to let my wife and kids in on what I think makes our American free enterprise system click—the result to date—zero.

On one occasion I took my entire family to New York City and insisted that they visit the New York Stock Exchange. I proudly explained all I knew about the operation of the stock and bond market, took the guided tour and even saw a movie on the stock and bond business that I had already seen twice before—family reaction again—zero—a total flop! The girls kept on asking "Daddy, when can we go to Radio City?"; the boys had tickets for a TV show and were itching to get going in that direction; mother—well, her expression said plainly that she had a dull pain in her neck and it was apparent to me that I need look no further than myself to find the etiological agent.

In view of this, imagine my astonishment when my wife recently said to me, "John, I have signed up for a course in 'Investments'. How about going along with me?"—Whew! After fifteen years of failure as a family economist I am a bit shook at this radical change of events. First, I do some fast thinking. What's with the old girl? Is she getting ready to take over? Do I look sick? I feel real good and actually I am not too old! Then I think—No! I have it! We must be in for another '29, the "little people" are coming into the market! Boys, run for the hills!

Either way it's bad, but I do go to the lecture and I am secretly proud; after years of prodding, my efforts in the field of economics are beginning to pay off—Oh, yea! Well, the lecture was supposed to take two hours but before the end of the first hour my wife leaned over to me and said, "John, are you ready to go home?" Oh, me! You may be sure we stayed for the full two hours, but her heart wasn't in it and if anyone goes back to attend the remaining lectures it will probably be me, not the new "capitalist."

Seriously, though, I thoroughly enjoyed this seminar. The auditorium and balcony of Princeton Junior High School was filled and the investment firm sponsoring the program had placed folding chairs in the back and along the sides of the hall to accommodate the crowd. Nearly 1,000 people came to hear and discuss our capitalistic system. Capitalism was not a "dirty word" to this group of people. Moreover, all age groups seemed to be represented. The speakers were well informed, enthusiastic, and absolutely honest in the presentation of the principles of prudent investing.

Doctor Smith, Dean of Youngstown University, and head of the Department of Economics, outlined the world's basic economic picture. It's a bit dim, to be sure, but the good old U. S. A. is still the undisputed leader.

The lecture was socio-economically sound and at the same time humorous. It is a delight to listen to Dr. Smith and I now know why his students think so highly of him. At one point he said for the future we really had nothing to worry about—if Russia doesn't drop the atomic bomb the population explosion will surely occur and by the year 2000 there will be "standing room only" on our planet.

He pointed out that we were drifting slowly towards socialism but felt ultimately that our country would never surrender to the welfare state be-

cause of the innate ruggedness and heritage of the American people. On the other hand, while Russia is castigating our capitalistic system, she appears to be drifting toward increasing private ownership herself. Many things may now be purchased and privately owned today in Russia. This was impossible ten years ago.

Dr. Smith told me privately after the lecture that another period of inflation was immediately ahead in the United States and that he looked for a 12 billion dollar budget deficit in the first year of the Kennedy administration. "Twelve billion!" I stammered, "that much!" "Yes," he replied, "at least 12 billion." "May I quote you?" I asked. He said, "Sure, those are our present projected figures in the Economics Department at Youngstown University.

Hold your hats, boys — it looks like inflation — super jet styled!!!

—John J. McDonough, M.D.
Editor

MEETING WITH PRESS AND RADIO

The annual meeting of the public relations committee of the Mahoning County Medical Society with the newspaper and radio-TV representatives of Youngstown was held in March.

Those representing the communications media agreed that the physicians' cooperation with the press had improved greatly in the past several years, and that this has paved the way for improved public relations for the medical profession.

Moderating the meeting was Dr. L. S. Shensa. Guests were: Mrs. Ann Przelomski of the Vindicator and Edgar Barmann of the Catholic Exponent, Tony Ross of WBBW, Bill Lindsay of WFMJ, and Dick Minton of WKBN.

Members of the public relations committee present were: Dr. A. A. Detesco, chairman; Dr. Jack Schreiber, Dr. R. L. Tornello, Dr. H. N. Bennett. Also present were Dr. A. K. Phillips, Dr. C. W. Stertzbach and Mr. H. C. Rempes.

PHYSICIANS' DAY AT WOODSIDE RECEIVING HOSPITAL

During Mental Health Week there will be open house at Woodside Receiving Hospital for physicians, Thursday, May 4, 1961.

Beginning at 1:30 p.m., tours will be conducted by members of the medical staff.

At 2:30 p.m. there will be a panel discussion on "Community Oriented Hospital," in which members of the medical staff will participate. Discussion will be followed by a question and answer period.

MEDICAL FOUNDATION ELECTS OFFICERS

The board of trustees of the Mahoning County Medical Foundation held a meeting for the election of officers at the Youngstown Club on March 21. The following officers were elected: G. E. DeCicco, president; John McCann, first vice president; Dr. Howard Jones, second vice president; C. E. Pichette, secretary; Mr. Carl Ullman, treasurer; and George Cook, assistant treasurer.

DELINQUENT DUES

The following members of the Mahoning County Medical Society were delinquent in the payment of their dues as of March 31, 1961:

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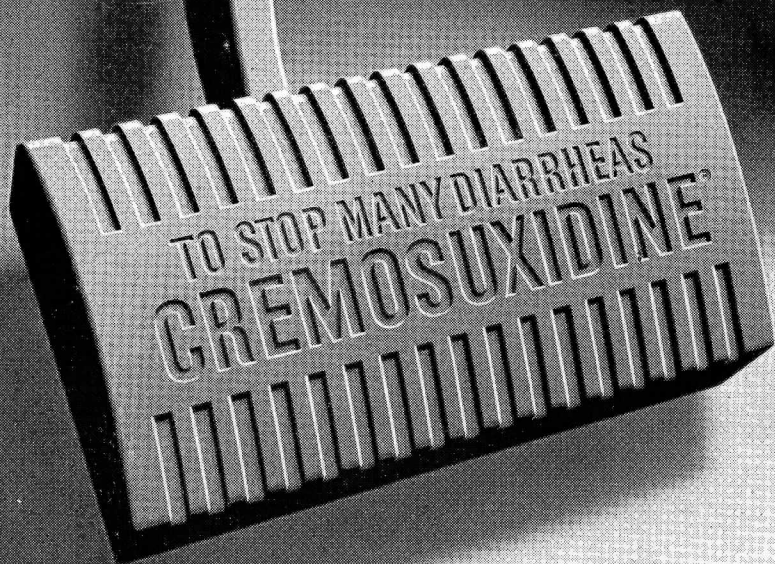
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