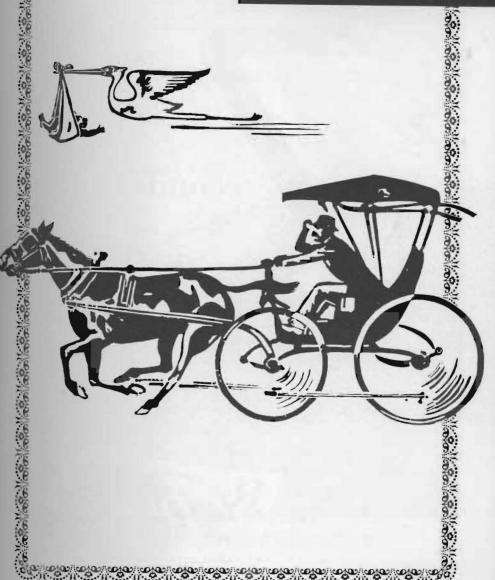
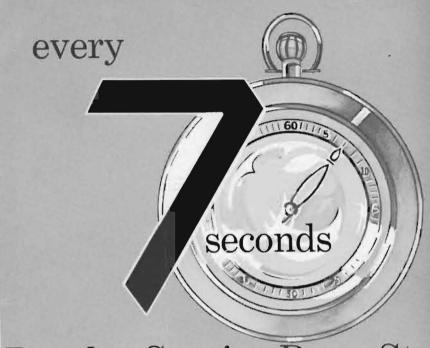
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From the Desk of the President AREA HOSPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

We, as physicians, are just as interested in rendering high quality health care at a reasonable cost as our patients are in receiving first class care at a reasonable cost. Over the past several years, the staff physicians of our hospitals have organized Utilization Committees. Our society has created a Health Insurance Committee and a Grievance Committee, primarily with the economic welfare of our patients in mind. In addition to these, the Associated Hospital Service (Blue Cross) underwrote a professional survey of area hospitals, to determine the efficiency of their over-all operations. No real inefficiency could be sighted.

Other communities have not only adopted the same steps, but in cooperation with hospital trustees, physicians and community leaders, have undertaken a comprehensive study of their area's health facilities needed for the present and future. Based on these studies and information, recommendations and suggestions are then made on the needs and availability of health care facilities in their communities. Such groups have found that hospitals under pressure from the public, physicians, or prestige desire of hospitals themselves, are sometimes undertaking unnecessary expansion programs for additional beds or expensive special service facilities, such as: the cobalt bomb, artificial kidney, cardiac surgery and catheterization centers, etc. Needless duplication in any area is uneconomical and adds to hospital costs which directly reflects in the cost of patient care, whether paid by the individual or his health insurance.

An Area Hospital Planning Commission, with representation from Hospital Boards of Trustees, physicians, leaders from business, industry, insurance, clergy and labor could perform a valuable service. Through its survey, study, analysis, suggestions and recommendations, our area could be assured of all the necessary health care facilities at a reasonable cost.

After an initial survey, of what is now available and what may be needed, either now or in the future, many valuable suggestions could be made and specific questions answered from the information compiled, such as: when, where and what type hospital beds will be needed in the future; are expensive and seldom used special service facilities being unnecessarily duplicated within the area; if so, could they be shared with the staffs of another hospital, thus avoiding duplication, etc.

Hospital beds or facilities, not really necessary or essential to the health care of the area's citizens, are an extravagance. An Area Hospital Planning Commission might have a worthwhile purpose and proper place in the Mahoning Valley Area's future planning.

—C. W. STERTZBACH, M.D. President

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EDITORIAL . . .

TO LOOK ABOUT US

Remember the account of The Master, when His disciples came to Him, very much "put out" were they, to tell Jesus of others who healed in His name? Christ just smiled and allowed as how those who heal for you in your name do not work against you. I still remember the strong Scottish minister of my home town church in Iowa as he would tell that story — and its lesson has stayed with me through the years.

Here we are — in a struggle to preserve what we honestly believe to be a bulwark of freedom of choice, the preservation of the high standards of the practice and science of medicine (healing, if you will), and above all, provide, in the best way, the best medical care for all — the elder citizens in particular. We have become so enjoined in this contest against Social Security Eldercare that it could be a natural oversight to fail to look 'round about us and acknowledge and be encouraged by the presence of those who are at our side, being of great aid in so many ways.

Though we often have the feeling that we are alone, we are not. And we should take this means of expressing our sincere gratitude to these our friends, the fellow militia who help raise the banner. The Press, specifically, of course, The Vindicator, is at our one hand. Without the reach of its long arm we could not have successfully delivered the Poliomyelitis immunization effort to the people. Dr. Annis' visit (and other happy occurrences) could not have been shared with the people of the Valley. The other news media, television and radio, have been at our other hand, and have been most kind. Add to these, about us, the many, many laymen and those of the associated professions, and most emphatically, the pharmacists, of our county.

To know them as friends is to spur us on to greater efforts in the struggle for the right as we see it . . . to free us all from the shackles that must inevitably come with "Big Brother" intervention and dictation.

Join with these, our friends, and surely the cause will be won.

SOCIETY READY FOR THIRD IMMUNIZATION

The sudden decision of the Public Health Service to license Sabin oral vaccine for Type III polio sent the polio committee of the medical society into quick action, setting the dates for the third mass polio immunization to be Saturday and Sunday, May 6th and 7th.

The licensing of the third vaccine came in time for the medical society to complete the series before the polio season set in, and justified the early action taken by the society in beginning the immunizations last November 30th.

Outside the change in days (using a Sunday instead of a Thursday) which was calculated to get a better turn-out, the immunization will be conducted along the same lines as the first two. Dr. Wegner, polio chairman, is expecing a larger total immunization on Type III because of the importance of Type III's protection against paralytic polio, the convenience of Sunday for people to get to the stations, and the prospect of a stepped-up informational campaign.

Many medical societies have begun a series of immunizations, following Mahoning County's lead, and most of these plan to wind up the three immunizations before the summer polio season.

O. S. U. PROGRAM AT ANNUAL MEETING

The faculty of The Ohio State University College of Medicine will present the entire program for a general session at the Ohio State Medical Association 1962 Annual Meeting in Columbus, May 14-18.

The presentation is an innovation of the meeting, whereby the medical school in the city where the meeting is held will be invited to present an entire general session. The Western Reserve University School of Medicine and the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine will be invited to present such programs when the OSMA meeting is held in Cleveland and in Cincinnati.

The Ohio State program is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Thursday, May 17. The program will open with a symposium on backache, with panelists representing the college's departments of medicine, physical medicine and rehabilitation, pathology, orthopedic surgery, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics and surgery.

Following a recess for tour of exhibits, the session will take up "Virus Diseases—1962," covering such subjects as clinical and laboratory aids in the diagnosis of newer viral diseases, present status of virus diseases in concer, present concepts of the pathogenesis of viral diseases, and therapy and prophylaxis of virus infections.

All scientific sessions, scientific exhibits and technical exhibits will be held in the Veterans Auditorium. OSMA headquarters hotel will be the Neil House.

Twenty-two out-of-state guest speakers will join a wide array of Ohio physicians to present the scientific topics at the general sessions and scientific sessions.

The complete program for the OSMA Annual Meeting appeared in the March issue of The OSM Journal.



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An extracorporeal hemodialyzer, popularly known as the "artificial kidney," is now available to patients and their physicians in the Mahoning Valley. The hemodialyzer is the core of the kidney laboratory at the North Side Hospital, made possible by four grants from area organizations to The Youngstown Hospital Association.

A team of four physicians operates the kidney which is held in constant readiness for the use of patients who are anuric or who have ingested toxins or poisons which can be removed by such an apparatus as the McNeill-Collins Dialyzer.

Dialyzers such as the one available here have been under development for a number of years. However, it was not until 1946 when Dr. Willem J. Kolff, now

of the Cleveland Clinic, developed the first of a series of improved machines bearing his name that clinical dialysis became truly feasible. Now, α series of developments by α number of investigators has resulted in simplification, miniaturization, and increased portability resulting in α wider use of such instruments.

Kidney laboratories have adopted several instruments for use in large centers. The compact dialyzer known as the McNeill-Collins lends itself to

use in a community hospital. Hemodialysis is indicated only under certain circumstances so that an appreciation of the indications for dialysis is extremely important. Members of the team are available to consult in the event that dialysis is considered by the family physician. Physicians considering consultation in this matter may contact Doctors Gust Boulis, Curtis J. Fisher, A. William Geordan or William D. Loeser.

Indications for Dialysis:

Uuremia resulting from sudden anuria or prolonged oligura may be relieved temporarily by dialysis with a view toward buying time to allow for recovery of the underlying renal lesion. Thus, dialysis is rarely justified in chronic nephritides. It is urgently required in toxic renal shut-down or prolonged anuria of shock with its accompanying potentially reversible lower nephron nephrosis.

Ingestion of dialyzable poisons.

Most commonly mentioned poisons in this regard are barbiturates, salicylates, doriden, bromides, thiocyanates, chlorates, methyl alcohol, carbon tetrachloride, ethylene glycol, chloral hydrate, and certain heavy metals.

Preoperative treatment. Normalization of electrolyte and water balance, and removal of nitrogenous wastes may be necessary to prepare the anuric patient for urgently needed surgery.

Intractable Edema. Removal of water in preference to electrolytes can be accomplished by either of two methods: First, by applying a negative pressure to the bath side



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of the dialyzing membrane. Second, by maintaining a high concentration of glucose in the dialyzing bath to osmotically withdraw water. Successful removal of edema fluid has been accomplished by these two methods when all usual measures have failed.

5 Regional perfusion.

With certain modifications to allow for oxygenation of the dialyzing bath presently described dialyzers can be used for regional perfusion in the chemotherapy, particularly of extremity-located cancer.

6 Regional Hypothermia.

Again some modification of the apparatus is required to provide cooling of the dialysis bath to permit cooling of the perfused part.

A judgment as to whether or not dialysis is indicated will most often revolve about two situations: Acute renal failure and ingestion of a potentially

lethal dose of a dialyzable drug.

Acute renal failure (anuria or severe oliguria) may follow prolonged hypotension, trauma, hemolysis, ingestion of toxins or hypersensitivity to drugs such as the sulfonamides. Tolerance to the anuric state depends on several factors and though under optional conditions patients can survive with anuria for surprisingly long intervals (even up to weeks), the following factors serve to materially shorten the period of survival: Severe trauma, the postoperative state, and infection all serve to accelerate the release of potassium and/or nitrogenous wastes into the anuric's self-contained fluid compartments. The following factors serve to appreciably lengthen the period of survival for the anuric: Absence and prevention of infection, accurate fluid and electrolyte balance (meaning replacement of actual fluid loss plus 700 cc in twenty-four hours to replace insensible fluid loss), intake limited to glucose, proscription of nitrogen intake, and bed rest.

The Accepted Indications for Dialysis in the Anuric Patient are:

l Serum potassium rising above 7 mEq/l or severe and progressive electrocardiogram changes indicative of hyperkalemia.

2 Rapid increase in blood urea nitrogen level.

- 3 Acidosis when bicarbonates fall below 10 mEq/1 (22 vol. per cent)
- 4 Deterioration in the clinical condition of the patient. 5 Onset of intractable pulmonary edema during uremia.

Indications for Dialysis Following Ingestion of Dialyzable Poisons or Toxic Agents:

Potentially lethal amounts of barbiturates, salicylates, and any of a number of other agents can be removed by dialysis. Barbiturates for instance become progressively more firmly fixed in the tissues as the hours pass. Hence, an early determination to dialyze can be expected to result in removal of more of the ingested drug than can be accomplished after a delay of twenty-four or forty-eight hours. Patients of this group who respond to pain and maintain good blood pressure, pulse, and respiration may be expected to recover with supportive treatment only. However, the patient who is areflexic, in shock, anoxic or developing pneumonia and atelectasis may urgently require dialysis. Experience in this field indicates that critical blood levels requiring hemodialysis are: 10 mg per 100 ml (5.0 gm ingested) for phenobarbita land 3.5 mg per 100 ml (3.0 gm ingested) for shorter-acting compounds. Blood barbiturate levels, while extremely helpful in confirming the diagnosis or predicting the seriousness of the situation, do not give a full picture or necessarily infallibly indicate the prognosis. For example, a relatively low blood level (2 mg %) may be lethal if complete relaxation of the airway occurs rapidly leading to death by obstruction and anoxia. On the other hand, recovery can ensue despite much higher blood levels if an adequate

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airway is maintained and complications such as pneumonia or atelectasis do not supervene. There is general agreement, however, that dialysis cannot only be lifesaving but can appreciably lessen morbidity and complications after massive ingestion of a drug.

Dr. Leonard B. Berman, one of the pioneer physicians in this area of medicine, prepared in 1958 a map showing locations of some fifty-nine centers in the United States operating artificial kidneys. According to his information the creation of our new center would be the sixth in the state of Ohio following upon development of centers in Akron, Cleveland (2), Cincinnati, and Columbus.

The apparatus available at The Youngstown Hospital Association is known as the McNeill-Collins Hemodialyzer. This is a compact low-pressure system wherein blood flows in parallel through twenty-seven short cellophane tubes. The tubes are held in a rigid metal case, separated by nylon screens and bathed in dialysis fluid. The composition of the fluid bath can be varied at will but is generally "normal" (meaning the electrolyte constituents are at the level found in human plasma). For example: Sodium 140, potassium 5, Chloride 100, magnesium 3, bicarbonate 27, calcium 10, mEq/1 and glucose 100 mg%. The pH is adjusted to 7.4 with lactic acid. Hyperpotassemia, when an indication for dialysis, can be corrected by means of a bath containing at first no potassium, later half normal potassium, and finally normal potassium. Since no urea is contained in the bath it is selectively removed throughout dialysis. Generally, dialysis is continued for six hours with hourly changes of the bath.

Cut downs are performed on the saphenous and antecubital veins, and anticoagulation is maintained with heparin. A heparin antagonist, either protamine or polybrene is given at termination and coagulation status determined by use of the Lee-White clotting time. In the event an absolute contraindication to anticoagulation exists such as an actively bleeding peptic ulcer, it is theoretically possible to use regional anticoagulation. Here instead of infusions of heparin into the patient, only the external apparatus receives heparin and as the blood returns to the patient heparin is neutralized by protamine. 1.3 mg of protamine neutralizes 1 mg of heparin.

Prior to use, the "kidney" must be carefully set up by a technician. He must see that sterility is maintained and that all is in readiness so that dialysis can be commenced on only a few hours notice.

The patient with toxic coma or acute renal insufficiency is in dire straits and if the urea nitrogen rises sharply each day, the latter may reach a terminal state within a week or less. In this situation dialysis can be life-saving if the physician reacts in time. This kidney laboratory, like most renal centers, is ready to receive patients for evaluation but cannot commit itself to dialysis until study of the patient is completed. The physicians responsible for dialysis should assume total care of the patient, once he is referred, until the critical period is past since many interrelations apply to dialysis (digitalis effect rapidly augmented by decrease in serum potassium, etc.) that can be controlled by the dialyzing team. Following successful dialysis all patients will be referred back to their family physicians.

Cooperation between the dialysis team and physicians of Mahoning County can result in the preservation of life and amelioration of disease. Already lives have been saved and morbidity lessened. It is my hope that this is the omen of things to come.

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Dr. Charlebois is another native of Youngstown who has returned to his home town. Born master William Henry, he graduated from Ursuline, received his M.A. degree from Kent State, his B.S. from John Carroll in Cleveland and his M.D. degree from New York Medical College. Sandwiched in between was a three-year stint in the U. S. Army in World War II, serving as a staff sergeant, First Division. He interned at St. Elizabeth Hospital in 1955-56 and served a one-year surgical residency thereafter. Following this he entered the specialty training of orthopedics with a residency in Akron at the Akron City and Children's hospitals and then at the



University of Pennsylvania from 1957-60. Since that time he has practiced here in Youngstown. In 1952 union became solid when he wedded Miss Ann Marie Dempsey with even more solid union in the persons of offspring, William, Maureen, Jeanne Ann and Mary Ellen. Hobbies are woodworking, boating, swimming and golfing. Being an orthopedic surgeon, he probably enjoys fishing since he does so much casting. Welcome, Dr. Charlebois, to the Mahoning County Medical Society.



Dr. Joseph Mersol was born in Zagreb, Jugoslavia, March 15, 1931 . . . refuting the myth of the Ides of March. His secondary education was acquired in Austria. Coming then to America his college training was obtained at John Carroll in Cleveland with the granting of his M.D. degree by St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri. Ohio then beckoned again and he served his internship at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Youngstown and this was followed by a year's residency in surgery there as well. In 1957 he and Miss Marion T. Kneller were united in marriage and two children are now in the fold—Mary Jo Anne and Joseph Martin. Dr. Mersol is in the

practice of general medicine in affiliation with Dr. Calder. Welcome, Dr. Mersol, to the Mahoning County Medical Society.

DR. R. L. JENKINS HEADS CANCER CRUSADE

Dr. Robert L. Jenkins has been appointed medical representative for the 1962 Mahoning County Cancer Crusade. General chairman is Floyd O. Swonger, manager of Lyons Physician Supply.

Dr. Jenkins will have the responsibility of receiving contributions from members of the Mahoning County Medical Society for the 1962 crusade.

This year's goal is \$75,000, and Swonger is counting on the professional organizations, such as the Medical Society, to provide a portion of the total. The Mahoning County Medical Society's members have long been supporters of the Mahoning County Cancer group.

Serving on the board of the Mahoning County Cancer Crusade are: Dr. E. C. Baker, Dr. A. J. Brandt, Dr. D. B. Brown, Dr. G. E. DiCicco, Dr. A. A. Detesco, Dr. W. J. Flynn, Dr. P. L. Jones, Dr. C. E. Pichette, and Dr. A. M. Rosenblum.



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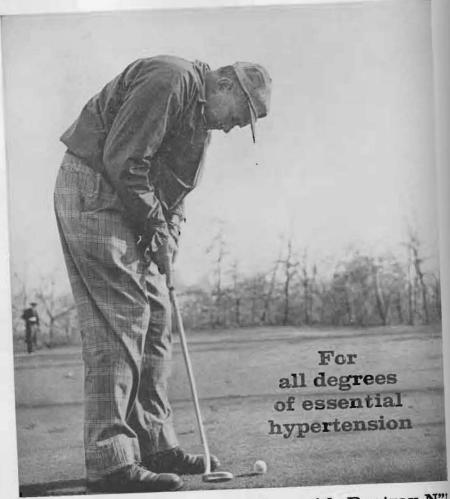
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"MEDICAL CARE FOR ALL, REGARDLESS OF ABILITY TO PAY . . ."

This statement means that we, as physicians, make our services available to all who need us—those who can pay and those who can't. This service is volunteered freely to those who can't pay because we believe that the health and life of the patient must always be a doctor's first consideration.

Volunteered medical aid is nothing new, but many don't know it is available.

The care is available for those that need it. It is available in every physician's office or in hospital clinics. And that's why no one in our country has to do without necessary medical care.

If you need a physician's help and can't afford to pay for it, contact the Mahoning County Medical Society— RI 6-8431.

> This is a public service message by the Mahoning County Medical Society AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

The ad brought seven phone calls during several days following its publication. One of these was an emergency and was given immediate attention. The other six calls were given equal attention, but in all cases they were instances where the patient had not made any attempt to obtain medical care for himself. None of those calling had been refused medical care because he was not able to pay for it.

Only one call came from a person over 65, which might indicate that the elderly in this area are able to pay for their own medical care without government help. Of the other calls, one was well able to pay for medical care, one proved to have no need for medical care, and one did not keep his appointment with a physician when it was made for him.

KING-ANDERSON PAMPHLETS AVAILABLE

Mahoning County physicians recently received three pamphlets from the Ohio State Medical Association, along with a card for ordering more of these for office use. The pamphlets, concerned with the King-Anderson bill are: "Twenty-Five Vital Questions and Twenty-Five Factual Answers," "An Important Message from Your Doctor," and "It's Your Decision."

In case you have mislaid the order-card, simply write to: Ohio State Medical Association, 79 East State Street, Room 1005, Columbus 15, Ohio. Order these in sufficient quantity for your office use.

LETTERS

C. W. Stertzbach, M.D., President Mahoning County Medical Society 3610 Market Street Youngstown, Ohio March 19, 1962

Dear Dr. Stertzbach:

Our attention has been called many times, to physicians who either leave town or are unavailable and fail to notify us. Also, that physicians refuse calls from persons, who were previous patients, but through no fault of their own, are on Aid for Aged or Mahoning County Welfare.

If members would observe the following it would be α big help to all concerned.

- 1. Always leave at least two references.
- 2. Always advise references, your work is being referred to them.
- 3. Advise Bureau of any change in office hours.
- 4. Advise Bureau of any change in personnel.
- 5. Each physician should take care of his own patients whether they are now on Welfare or Aid for Aged.

If each physician will adhere to the above five rules it will greatly help to offset the socialization of medicine.

The cooperation of your members will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly, G. E. DeCicco, M.D. President

Miss Luna E. Kenney Executive Director Children's and Family Service 308 Wick Building Youngstown 3, Ohio

March 6, 1962

Dear Miss Kenney:

It has come to our attention that you have requested permission from certain physicians to include their names on a list of "leaders" in the various specialties which you could use as a reference list for your clients.

First, we would like to say that we appreciate your sincere efforts to provide for your clients, and it was thoughtful of you to seek permission before using the physicians' names. However, the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society does not consider the compiling of such limited lists to be proper, and has requested that you be made aware of this opinion.

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POST-GRADUATE COURSE: The course on "Clinical Fundamentals of Liver Disease" sponsored by the Frank E. Bunts Educational Institute on March 7 and 8 was well attended by M. C. M. S. members. They were Drs. Caccamo, DeCicco, Detesco, Gaylord, LaManna, Mahar, Melaragno, Saadi, Tiberio and Weidenmier. Also there were Dr. and Mrs. Krupko of McDonald and Dr. Jack Marks of Columbus who was a former medical resident at Youngstown Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. Sidney L. Davidow were in Puerto Rico for a fortnight. Dr. Davidow attended Pediatric Section meetings while there.

Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Friedrich and Dr. and Mrs. Robert Wiltsie were in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for three weeks. While there Drs. Friedrich and Wiltsie attended Mediclinics March 5 to 15th.

Dr. Frank Morrison attended the ninth Annual Post-Graduate Course in Pathology of the Oral Regions at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington, D. C.

VACATIONS: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Hall were on a month's vacation in Florida. Part of the time was spent on a chartered cruise among the Keys. Dr. and Mrs. Paxton Lane Jones spent a three weeks vacation at Antigua.

Dr. and Mrs. John A. Rogers were on a vacation at Pinehurst, N. C. where Dr. Rogers got in some golfing. Cheer up, John, Spring is here and golf is around the corner. Dr. and Mrs. Ivan Smith were in Cincinnati visiting. Dr. and Mrs. Morris S. Rosenblum and Dr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Brody were on a vacation trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico and St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands.

BASSINETS: Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Campolito announce the birth of their fifth child, a son, on St. Patrick's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Briath (Erica Brandt) announce the birth of a son on March 2. Dr. and Mrs. Albert J. Brandt are the proud grandparents. Congratulations!

MISCELLANY: Dr. and Mrs. Andrew A. Detesco had some choice ringside seats at the Ice Follies in Cleveland. One of the comedians grabbed Andy's hat and skated around the ice wearing it. A little later one of the pretty

girls on ice came and patted the "hair" on his head. I guess they took quite a "shine" to him.

Dr. R. V. Clifford has been elected to succeed Dr. S. I. Goldberg as the representative of Saint Elizabeth Hospital Medical Staff on the board of Associated Hospital Service. Dr. Robert R. Fisher recently received much publicity in the press concerning a patient with generalized Vaccinia. Dr. A. K. Phillips and family will vacation in Greece. Dr. Phillips spoke to the Parent-Sunday School Teachers Association of St. John's Greek Orthodox Church on "Medical Aid for the Aged." Miss Marianne Weltman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Erhard Weltman has recently been honored receiving both Rockefeller and Fullbright Scholarships in music. Kim Stertzbach, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Stertzbach, will be an exchange student in Europe next year.

SYMPATHY: Our sympathies are extended to Dr. Bernard M. Schneider in the loss of his wife, Mildred, on March 27. To Dr. Schneider and his three daughters, we express our sincere sympathy.

—G. E. D.

BOARD OF HEALTH BULLETIN CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN REPORT FOR FEBRUARY, 1962

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	Resi	dent	Non-R	esident	Total
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Births	125	109	106	100	440
Deaths	62	67	61	52	242
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Births	143	116	122	130	511
Deaths	71	61	41	53	226
Infant Deaths	7		2	5	14

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES	Februa	ry, 1962	Februc	ry, 1961
	Cases	Deaths		Deaths
Chicken Pox	23	0	104	0
Diphtheria	0	0	0	0
Measles	10	0	234	0
Mumps	10	0	11	0
Scarlet Fever	2	0	30	0
Whooping Cough	1	0	0	0
Poliomyelitis	1	0	0	0
Tuberculosis	5	2	6	2
Infectious Hepatitis	1	0	1	0
Rheumatic Fever	3	0	5	0
Gonorrhea	25	0	7	0
Syphilis	1	0	10	0
Lead Poisoning	1	0	0	0

VENEREAL DISEASES

New Cases	Male	Female	Total
Syphilis	1	0	1
Gonorrhea	17	6	23
Total Patients			24
Total Visitor (Patients) to Clinic			125

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FRIENDLY ANTAGONISTS are Dr. Jack Schreiber and Mr. Irvin H. Ryan (right), here pictured with Mrs. James L. Williams, president of Youngstown Federation of Women's Clubs. Mr. Ryan and Dr. Schreiber debated at the Federation Legislation Day on March 28. Mr. Ryan is Labor Staff Representative of United Steelworkers of America in charge of community services and all retired steelworkers and their programs.

FREEDOM SPEAKERS GO INTO ACTION

More than thirty speeches have been made to date by the "Freedom Speakers," the team of physicians from the medical society who have undertaken to inform people in this area about medicine's position in regard to the King-Anderson bill.

The talks have been made to service clubs, church groups, women's clubs, nurses' organizations and PTAs. Calls continue to come in. showing the real interest that people have in this legislation. Speakers have reported that reactions have been favorable, once people understand the real issues involved and the true cost and comparative lack of need of the proposed legislative program, and fact that Health Care will be controlled by Federal Government.

One of the meetings turned out to be a debate between Dr. Jack Schreiber and Mr. Irvin Ryan of the United Steelworkers staff before 170 club-women at a Legislative Day of the Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs. Dr. Schreiber and Mr. Ryan have also met in debate on the "Consultation" program over WKBN, and on the "Youngstown, U.S.A." program over WKST-TV. Dr. John J. McDonough also took part in the latter TV debate.

Tell your friends that speakers from the Mahoning County Medical Society will be glad to talk before their group. Have them call the medical society office for a speaker.

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W. D. McElroy	S. G. Patton, Jr.	May 11
J. A. Rogers	April 30	G. W. Cook
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A. A. Detesco	May 3	H. S. Banninga
A. Randell	C. Waltner	J. N. Thanos
S. Zlotnick	May 4	W. J. Tims
F. E. Shaw	M. Oudiz	May 13
April 25	May 5	E. R. McNeal
D. Shapira	F. J. Bierkamp	May 14
April 26	May 6	W. E. Sovik
A. T. Laird	J. A. Hyland	E. J. Reilly

LABOR LOBBY TOPS MILLION

The next time someone criticizes the AMA as the "biggest lobby in Washington," present these facts which have just been uncovered by AMA's Legislative Department: During 1962, labor unions spent \$1,024,049.38 for lobby expenses while the AMA's lobbying expense was \$163,404.61. The total for all AFL-CIO unions alone came to \$706,961.01. Of this amount, the AFL-CIO parent group spent \$133,919.10. AFL-CIO affiliates spending large sums were: Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America, \$88,272.56; United Federation of Postal Clerks, \$73,867.83; and the International Association of Machinists, District Lodge No. 44, \$71,736.62.

The Labor figure does not include the expenses of the Railway Labor Executives Association which is made up of the executives of 21 AFL-CIO unions and two independent unions. It also does not include the expenses of registered lobbyists of 17 unions. The latter group includes such unions as the United Automobile, Aircraft and Agricultural Implement Workers (AFL-CIO), United Steelworkers of America (AFL-CIO), United Mine Workers of America (Independent), and the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers Workmen of North America (AFL-ClO).

DELINQUENT DUES

The following members of the Mahoning County Medical Society have not paid their 1962 dues as of March 31, 1962:

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President's Letter

Now that our year is almost finished, you won't mind if I confess that it is a year which greatly concerned me. Now that we have closed the first half and are well into the second, there are many facts which I must call to the attention of all of you who are doctors' wives in Mahoning County.

1. The whole world needs more doctors and health career workers. Both the medical students and their helpers in training must have specialized education. Do you know what has been done by the auxiliary in our county about this shortage problem?

2. More than likely everybody is happy to look forward to a longer life. Statistics prove that not all of these longer-lived people are financially prepared to enjoy living. Do you know what your

auxiliary board proposes?

3. In the fall of 1961 we agreed that doctors in Mahoning County should plan and administer a Sabin vaccine program. Do you know the story of the auxiliary participation?

4. In October, 1961, doctors' wives were invited to participate in morning workshops on education, public relations, safety, civil defense and mental health. Do you know what you missed?

For brief answers to the four questions listed above you may refer to the outline which follows this letter.

It may be a good idea to share these facts with your husband. He will be the first to understand that the only way to get things done is to do them. Plan now to save time for your share of this work. Every time you say "no" to the work being done by your auxiliary you help defeat a plan which could be of benefit to our physicians.

There are three more meetings in this 1961-62 year. Every one has a special and important purpose. Watch for your flyers and send your response! Your contribution may only be the developing of understandings which prepare you to be public relations persons for the medical profession. These opportunities come to us over the phone, on the street and in the church, school and neighborhood.

I wish to express my thanks to every one of you who has worked in 1961-62, to translate the national theme, "Speak Your Beliefs in Deeds."

> Very sincerely, Beulah M. Inui

Outline

1. In the last two years, your health careers committees have created and toured with an exhibit which has reached the Canfield Fairs, Y. W. C. A. and more than 30 junior and senior high schools. Each year they develop, with the help of the local hospitals, a CAREER DAY for carefully screened and interested pupils.

The health career conditional scholarship loans are available annually to qualified applicants accepted by the area hospitals. The loan may be granted in any health career or any health education career, if a suitable nursing applicant is not found, either for graduate or undergraduate study. The loan is considered paid if the scholarship student returns to work in Mahoning County for one year.

"Holiday in Rome" provided the opportunity to collect monies for the scholarship loan fund as well as A. M. E. F. The creative talents and energies of a group of doctors and dentists and their wives brought a full evening of

dancing and entertainment to this annual gala affair.

By the way, have you remembered that every dollar which you and your husband give to any medical school is credited to Mahoning County if it is sent by way of A. M. E. F.? Gifts which are not marked for a special

school are put where the need is most great.

2. The auxiliary board, meeting in late January, 1962, recommended the signing of the resolution opposing H. R. 4222. At the same time an addendum was suggested. "Because we recognize the problems of people, we wish to urge every trade, business and professional association to make constructive health care legislative proposals which can be implemented in the state of Ohio."

In September, 1961, our "Health Care Legislation" program was a carefully prepared survey of pending legislation which provided us with facts. We believe the combination of knowledge with constructive proposals and action will exert extraordinary influence against socialized medicine.

3. According to our community service chairman, volunteer workers for the Sabin vaccine stations responded in an excellent manner. Nearly 136,000

people received the vaccine during Clinic I.

4. In the October workshops, there were two hours of information coverage and carefully prepared summarization by our own members as well as authorities within the fields of safety, civil defense, education, public relations and others.

5. Finally, families wishing to collect medical books not more than four years old and ship them by parcel post (book rate) to Christian Medical Society, 7212 Circle Ave., Forest Park, Ill., will be doing a community service on an international level. Please report your shipments to the auxiliary president.

If you have read the story of your auxiliary, you understand there is work to be done as well as fun along the way. Save time for it! If you are asked to do something you cannot do, make a suggestion of something you can and will do.

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Our next medical auxiliary meeting will be held April 17 at the Jade Room at 12:00 noon. This will be a combination meeting with the engineers', dentists', and lawyers' wives. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Doris Twitchel Allen, associate professor of psychology at the University of Cincinnati. Her topic will be "Children's International Summer Villages," of which Dr. Allen is president.

The purpose of the Villages is to bring together "a miniature world in which eleven-year-olds from many nations make friends with one another and perpetuate their friendship over the years in the belief that this is the way to help build a path to world understanding." More than 40 different

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Camilla Geordan, Publicity Chairman

DR. LOVSHIN MEDICAL-LEGAL SPEAKER

One hundred and thirty physicians and attorneys attended the Eighth Annual Medical-Legal Banquet, Tuesday, March 21, at the Mural Room.

Dr. Leonard L. Lovshin, head of the Department of Internal Medicine of Cleveland Clinic, gave a humorous address on "The Professional Man's Problem—How to Live with Ambition, Fatigue, and Stress."

Dr. Lovshin was introduced by Dr. Resch, program chairman. Dr. Stertz-

bach, president, presided.

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Dr. Stephen Wilfred Goldcamp, one of our former chiefs of staff in eye-ear-nose and throat died March 2, 1962, at his Hollywood, Florida, home at the age of 78. Born at Ironton, Ohio. He received his college education at Xavier College. His medical education at Jefferson Medical College, graduating in 1907. He then served his internship at Youngstown South Side City Hospital. He was then in general medical practice for several years. He then took post graduate studies at Jefferson Medical College and Harvard Medical College. In 1912 he joined Dr. F. J. Bierkamp and Dr. S. M. Hartzell in the practice of eye-ear-nose and throat for over forty years. On account of poor health he retired from active practice. He was a kindly man, well versed in medicine and an honored member of our Medical Society.

F. J. Bierkamp, M.D.

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FROM THE BULLETIN

Editor's Note: The Bulletin is now in its 30th year and there have been requests for Dr. Fisher to expand his column to include those early days during the Depression. He was somewhat loathe to do so as it will require more space and many of the names will be strange to our younger members. However, he is willing to give it a try and see how it goes.—B.B.

(Written by JLF [BB])

Thirty Years Ago — April 1932

The scientific program that month consisted of a full day of papers and clinics given by Drs. Henry A. Christian, Samuel A. Levine, William C. Quinby and Merrill Sosman, all from Harvard University. It was the fifth annual Post-Graduate Day.

Morning and afternoon meetings were held at the Ohio Hotel. The dinner and evening meeting that at the Youngstown Club. More than four hundred doctors were registered. They came from



sixty-one towns in five different states. Dr. Paul Fuzy was chairman and G. G. Nelson vice-chairman of the committee.

In the President's Column, Earl Brant proposed that we should have a president-elect instead of a vice president, that the delegates and the editor should be made members of the Council. He appointed C. R. Clark, C. D. Hauser and W. D. Coy to form a Speaker's Bureau.

Drs. E. C. Mylott, James B. Birch and W. Stanley Curtis were elected members of the Society.

The Public Health Committee passed on the caloric value of the food being served in the soup kitchens.

In 1931 there were 45 cases of diphtheria in the city with five deaths, in the county there were 46 cases and 1 death. In March, 1932, there were reported 17 cases of diphtheria, 11 cases of smallpox and 50 cases of influenza.

Twenty Years Ago — April 1942

Feverish preparations were going on for the Annual Post-Graduate Day. A group from Northwestern was due to arrive for a day of instruction on the fifteenth. Craig Wales and G. De Cicco were committee chairmen and very busy.

On the eighteenth the annual Dinner-Dance was scheduled at the Youngstown Country Club; Elmer Wenaas was running that. The Ohio State meeting was held at Columbus on the twenty-eighth, so it was a busy month.

Not much in this issue about the war. Chairman Joe Hall of the Preparedness Committee informed the members that it was a waste of time writing statements of disability for patients called for selective service as the draft boards paid no attention to them. More doctors entered military service: Richard V. Clifford, Martin Conti, Stephen Ondash, George Armbrecht, Francis Hardman and Frederick Tingwald.

New members that month were Bertram Firestone and Genevieve Delfs. Dr. E. H. Young became a member of the Board of Education.

McKelvey's advertised men's smartest double-breasted worsteds for \$39.75.

Ten Years Ago — April 1952

No Post-Graduate Day in April that year. It had become the Sixth Coun-

cillor District affair and changed to October. The Ohio State Meeting was changed to May.

Leo Brown was here from the A.M.A. office in March to talk about public relations. His prescription for good public relations: Prompt, courteous, efficient service contained in an understanding heart, labeled with an unselfish desire to help others.

An article by Mrs. R. E. Shotts of restaurant fame told the doctors that foods were being poisoned by D.D.T. and other chemicals used as fertilizers; that aluminum in foods from fertilization and the use of aluminum cooking ware was believed by some soil chemists to cause cancer. She urged the doctors to fight the use of poisons on foods. Mrs. Shotts had not then heard about radioactive fallout.

Anthony Bayuk of St. Elizabeth's Anesthesia Department had a leading article on the use of Dramamine. He said it was a valuable aid in the management of post-operative nausea and vomiting and was of benefit in the vomiting of hyperemesis gravidarum as well as radiation therapy.

Robert Odom left here to practice in Asheville, N. C., and M. P. Mahrer moved to Key Largo, Fla. Dr. Raymond Catoline became a new member.

C. W. Stertzbach had an article on "Amblyopia Ex Anopsia" commonly known as the "lazy eye," due to suppressed or undeveloped vision in one eye. He stressed early treatment and described simple tests for recognizing the condition in infancy.

—J. L. F.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

March 27, 1962

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, March 27, 1962, at the Youngstown Club, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: C. W. Stertzbach, president, presiding, B. C. Berg, R. R. Fisher, Frank Gelbman, P. J. Mahar, R. B. McConnell, John J. McDonough, H. P. McGregor, A. K. Phillips, Asher Randell, H. J. Reese, F. A. Resch, M. S. Rosenblum, H. J. Scheetz, Jack Schreiber, C. C. Wales, and C. K. Walter. Also present was Dr. Maria Liang Fok. Absent were: G. E. De-Cicco, A. A. Detesco and C. E. Pichette.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Phillips made a report outlining the work of the Grievance Committee. He also read from a report of the Health and Welfare Council regarding referral of orthopedic patients to any doctor member of the medical society, to be then referred to hospital clinics without a physician's fee.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the bills be paid. A list of bills is attached to the minutes.

The following applications were presented by the censors and read by the secretary:

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The above applicants will become active members of the society within fifteen days after publication in the Bulletin, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary during that time.

Discussion ensued concerning change of council meeting date since Dr. DeCicco and Dr. Detesco have a hospital executive committee meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month. A motion that we change meeting of council to the second Tuesday of the month provided that the General Practice meeting

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Youngstown, O. Phone RI 4-4351 Sixth Floor, Union Bank Bldg. could be changed was not passed. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that a committee be appointed to check the feasibility of changing the council meeting night.

Dr. Reese asked that council request the Health Insurance Committee to present a plan to the society. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the Health Insurance Committee be empowered to bring to the next council meeting a list of the major insurance companies providing insurance for those over 65 years of age for publication and distribution.

Announcement was made that a delegate meeting of the Sixth Councilor District would be held on a Sunday in April at Congress Lake. Dr. Tschantz will let us know the date.

Dr. McDonough made a report on the Bulletin for last year. He reported that the Bulletin showed a profit. Following discussion, a committee, consisting of Drs. Rosenblum, McDonough, Berg and Schreiber, was appointed to investigate possible improvements in the Bulletin.

Dr. McGregor reported that ten members had not paid their dues, and that their names were being turned over to the editor of the Bulletin if they were not paid by March 31. He suggested the possibility of a declining scale of dues for older members.

A letter was read from Dr. Lowendorf stating the resolution suggested at the last council meeting in regard to chiropodists. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the following resolution be adopted:

- 1. Assisting in the education of chiropody is not proper.
- For the public good and welfare, no practice of surgery should be done without an M.D. or D.D.S. degree.
- 3. The hospital medical staffs be limited to competent M.D. and D.D.S. and that other services, e.g. x-ray and laboratory and physiotherapy technicians, be under the appropriate group of M.D.s.

A letter was read from the Youngstown Hospital Board of Trustees stating that the letter from the medical society concerning the King-Anderson bill will be brought to the attention of Mr. Hitchcock at the next meeting.

A letter was read from the Medical-Dental Bureau regarding patients calls. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the letter be published in the Bulletin and read at the next meeting of the society.

Discussion ensued concerning the recent ad that the medical society ran in the Vindicator about medical care being available to all irregardless of ability to pay. Dr. Stertzbach reported that there were seven calls on the ad and that only one of these seemed to be a justifiable call.

A letter was read from the Ohio State Medical Association stating that the Committee on Care of the Aged did not feel that the new form, AFA-520-A-304810, was unreasonable.

Dr. McGregor read a letter he had written to the Vindicator, but which the Vindicator had not yet published, pertaining to the Aid for the Aged stipulation that prescriptions must be writen on Aid for he Aged forms, but that the needed forms were not available.

Discussion ensued concerning the Board of Health appointment, due on April 1st. Following discussion, it was suggested that a letter be sent to Mayor Savasten recommending that a veterinarian be appointed to the board.

Dr. Gelbman reported that the Physicians Cultural Seminar was a success financially and educationally. He reported a profit of \$112.42. The motion



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was made, seconded and duly passed that the profit be returned to the general fund. Dr. Gelbman announced that he would accept the responsibility of the Seminar for next year.

Dr. McGregor introduced discussion concerning time-outs at football games if the temperature is over 80 degrees. It was suggested that this recommendation be sent in a letter to the Ohio High School Athletic Association and to the Athletic Injuries Committee of the Ohio State Medical Association.

Dr. Walter brought up the question of whether insurance companies that pay for special nurses also pay for practical nurses when the registered nurse is not available. He said that he was discussing the matter with Stillson and Donahay Insurance Agency.

The announcement was made that Dr. Annis would be in Canton on Wednesday, March 28. Dr. Stertzbach reported that the Sixth Councilor District wanted to have Dr. Annis on Channel 5 in Cleveland and needed financing. The secretary was requested to send a notice to the Vindicator in regard to the broadcast on April 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Stertzbach introduced discussion concerning relationships with osteopaths. Following discussion, a committee was appointed to consider the problem, consisting of Dr. Schlecht, Dr. Ondash, Dr. Cook, Dr. Nelson, Dr. Lowendorf, Dr. Pichette, Dr. R. R. Fisher, and Dr. Randell, who was appointed chairman.

The executive secretary was asked to write for a copy of a new first-aid manual put out by the Riverside County Medical Association in California. Meeting was adjourned.

Howard Rempes
Executive Secretary

PHOTOS WANTED

We are planning the 90th Anniversary Bulletin in November. Leading up to that issue we would like to run in The Bulletin some pictures, preferrably group (to help stay within the budget) snaps, taken of some or any of our revered members in the dim and not too dark past. We will do our best to see that each is returned. Just give them to me or send to Mr. Rempes at the office of the Society.

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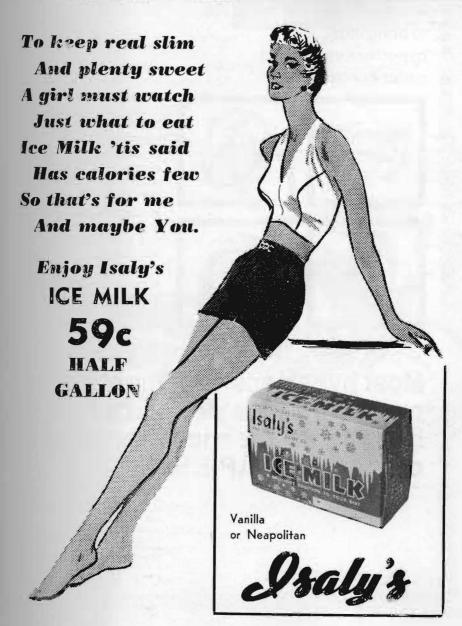
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