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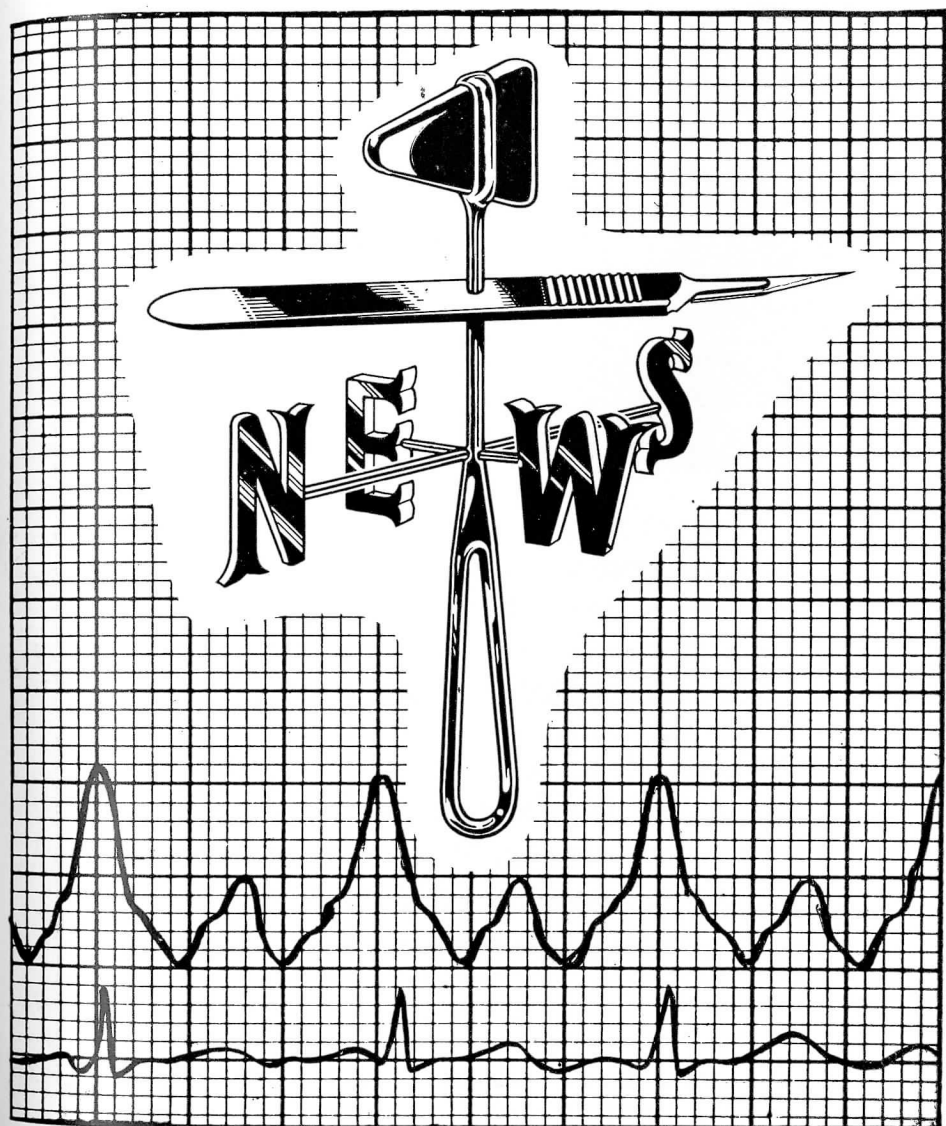
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From the Desk of the President

ISSUE NO. 3

During the next few weeks you will be going to the polls to register your vote. Regardless of your political affiliation, you should be aware of the importance of the TB Levy which will be ISSUE 3 on your ballot.

Your president has spent the past 6 months laying the ground work for the passage of this Levy. Many hours and many meetings have been held with the trustees of the TB Hospital, the staff of the TB and Health Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Osteopathic Society, County Welfare, the County Commissioners, and others. These meetings were held under the auspices of the Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association with your president as chairman of a special "ad hoc" committee to study (and possibly resolve) the problem of TB care for the Mahoning Valley.

During these meetings many misunderstandings and wrong impressions were uncovered and resolved. Many new approaches to the problem of TB care were considered. Comparative cost studies were made of all TB facilities in Ohio. The committee members personally inspected the Mahoning County TB Hospital facilities and found them to be well maintained and efficient. Meetings with the Chamber of Commerce and the Mahoning County Welfare Office opened up new sources of income which had hitherto been unavailable. The result is a savings to the taxpayers of Mahoning County in a new levy at the lower rate of 0.4 mills.

At the present time a Citizen's Committee has been formed under the able chairmanship of Dr. John McDonough to spread word to the voters of the need for funds in order that the county may continue to care for tuberculosis patients as provided by law. At the present time it costs approximately \$30.00 per patient day for TB care, regardless of what particular institution is used. No money can be saved by sending our citizens to more distant hospitals.

In the future, the care of tubercular patients may well take dramatic changes of direction. For the present, however, the committee recommends that the Mahoning County Tuberculosis Hospital be maintained as the best and most economical means of providing this care.

—Robert R. Fisher, M.D.
President

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Editorial

Lately, we have heard of instances of young people interested in entering medical school being discouraged from doing this by physicians. These young people have been told that socialized medicine is in the future and that physicians will be reduced to being glorified clerks. They have been told about medicine in England and all the problems involved, including the low financial remuneration, the voluminous paper work, and the questionable quality of the medicine being practiced. In short, they have been told that they could do better by going into other fields.

Although we strongly believe that physicians who have this opinion make up a small minority, we believe the situation deserves comment. Firstly, we think such predictions are hogwash. Socialized medicine may be coming, but we doubt it. If physicians continue to do a good job caring for the sick on a private basis, the people of this country will not want socialized medicine, nor will they accept it. We agree that regimentation, paper work, and other drudgeries are increasing. Part of this is unnecessary and inefficient. But also, part is due to the fact that we have a more complex society, and more complex medicine. If we make a good effort with the necessary unpleasantness, perhaps we will have more control over the other parts.

Secondly, we believe the satisfaction a physician experiences caring for his patients today completely cancels out any discouragement a doctor may have about present day medicine. He didn't have such paper work 50 years ago. He spent most of his time watching his patients die from pneumonia, meningitis, peritonitis, hypertension and so on, without being able to do much about it. I'll take modern medicine and the paper work any time.

Let's tell the prospective medical student about the satisfactions in medicine, then if we must discourage him, let's point out the amount of education he will need, the self discipline he must face, the long hours he will put in, and the responsibilities he must accept. Then, if he backs out, it wasn't to be.

—J. James Anderson, M.D.
Editor

SOCIETY TO HEAR HEALTH PLANNING HEAD

Speaker for the Oct. meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society is John Stanley Johnstone, Executive Director of the Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association.

The meeting should be of particular interest to members of the Mahoning County Medical Society. The organization which he represents came into being largely through the efforts of this society. As far back as 1962, both the council and the society were engaged in discussions concerning the feasibility of a hospital planning group.

In November of 1965 the Medical Society sponsored a highly successful Community Health Care Symposium for the purpose of interesting all community agencies in a hospital planning organization. In June of 1966, the Medical Society joined with the Trumbull County Medical Society, the hospitals and the osteopathic physicians to consider the formation of a group. The Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association came about as a result of the discussions.

The Medical Society has contributed \$2000 toward the operation of the Planning Association in the two years since its inception. In 1968, the Association became the agency for Comprehensive Area-wide Health Planning under P. L. 89-749.

Mr. Johnstone, the Executive Director, came to Youngstown from Cleveland, where he was Associate Director of the Regional Hospital Planning Board. He has a B.S. degree in Business Administration and a M.S. degree in Hospital Administration, and has an extensive background as a hospital administrator and business manager.

The meeting will be held following a 6:30 dinner at the Mural Room, on Tuesday, October 15. A social hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. Cost of the dinner will be \$3.50. Reservations may be made with the Medical Society office. Mr. Johnstone will be introduced by Dr. R. D. Murray, secretary of the Health Planning Association.

FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTIONS

The Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation is actively soliciting gifts, contributions and bequests. The Foundation *was* established for the purpose of providing financial aid to medical students and to encourage them to enter practice in Mahoning County. Contributions to the Foundation are tax-exempt. Call the medical society office for information, or mail your check directly to that office.

HEALTH COMMISSIONER WANTED

The Youngstown Board of Health continues its search for a physician to fill the post of City Health Commissioner, recently vacated by Dr. Sidney Franklin.

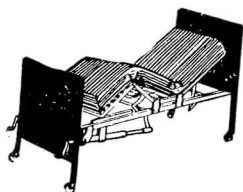
The city charter specifies that the city health commissioner shall be a medical doctor with a master of science degree in public health. The charter ruling was campaigned for successfully by the Mahoning County Medical Society about ten years ago.

Inquiries from qualified physicians to date have been very few, causing the Board of Health to consider the legality of employing a medical doctor as temporary head of the health department until one with a public health degree can be obtained.

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DENTISTS TOP MEDICS, 18-17

The dentists swept the field for athletic honors at the first annual outing of the Medical Society and the Dental Society, Thursday, September 12, at Coalburg Lake. Winning the softball game by a score of 18 to 17, they went on to win all the prizes in a number of minor sports.

The Medical Society baseball team, under manager Mike Vuksta, forced the dental team to go 11 innings before they could eke out the one-run victory. Borrowing one dentist and one photographer to complete a ten-man team, the medical line-up was:

Pitcher — Dr. Kachmer
 Catcher — Dr. Maine
 First — Bud Randall
 Second — Dr. Lepore
 Third — Dr. Wegner
 SS — Dr. Dodgson
 LF — Dr. Richards
 CF — Dr. Sopkovich
 LC — Dr. Hixson
 RF — Dr. Vuksta

In other sports, winners were:

Horseshoes — Dr. Sollar and Dr. Turk
 Golf Driving — Dr. Granito
 Darts — Dr. Stewart
 Jarts — Dr. Robert Morrison and Dr. Beal
 Shuffleboard — Dr. Robert Morrison and Dr. Beal
 Archery — Dr. Ralph

Approximately 60 dentists and 30 physicians attended the outing which began at 1:30 p.m. and continued long after darkness. Sandwiches and beer were available all afternoon and the dinner included charcoal steaks. Those who did not participate in the athletic events just sat around and enjoyed the sunny weather beside beautiful Coalburg Lake.

Special entertainment for both participants and spectators was the "drive-the-golf-ball-over-the-lake" contest conducted by Dr. Frank Morrison. A great number of balls were added to the lake bottom; not many to the opposite shore.

Busiest man at the outing was Dr. H. J. Oles, chairman for the event for the Corydon Palmer Dental Society. Due to his efforts, the games ran off smoothly, the food was excellent, dinner was on time, and everyone had a great time. The day concluded with the awarding of prizes to the athletic winners and to those whose names were drawn for door prizes.

Next year, the Mahoning County Medical Society will be host. The committee, as yet unnamed, will have their work cut out to produce an outing as successful as the one this year.

ROSS WALES IN OLYMPIC GAMES

October 20th is the big day for Ross Wales, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Wales. On that day, he will participate as a member of the United States Olympic Team in the games at Mexico City.

Ross, a swim star and captain of the Princeton University swim team, qualified in the 100 meter butterfly at the trials held in September at Long Beach. Since the time of qualification, the team has been staying at Colorado Springs, which has the same altitude as Mexico City. On October 8, they left for Mexico City.

The games open with a grand march on October 17, which, incidentally is Ross' birthday. He will be 21. All Youngstown will be rooting for Ross. You may be sure that he will appreciate any telegrams from the medical profession.



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"GOOD SHOW" AT THE CANFIELD FAIR

For 17 years, the Mahoning County Medical Society has been working hand in hand with volunteer health agencies and allied professions to produce an annual health and medical showing at the Canfield Fair. This year's medical health tent was splendid proof of the experience gained in 16 previous years of hard work.

An outstanding combined display by any standards, the medical health tent offered Fair-goers spectacle, entertainment and good sound information on all phases of health and medicine in Youngstown and Mahoning County.

The "Life Begins" exhibit, brought in by the Medical Society from the American Medical Association, may well have been the most exciting exhibit on the entire Fairgrounds. From opening until closing time during the five days of the Fair, a continuous line of people inched their way along the exhibit which showed the progressive stages of the foetus from four and one-half weeks until birth. The line was so insistent that the tent had to be left open one to two hours after closing time in order to accommodate all those who wanted to see the exhibit. On the final night, even while the exhibit was being packed in cases for shipment the next day, people stood around looking at parts of the exhibit until the lids were closed and secured.

The "Life Begins" exhibit has been brought here five times by the Medical Society, and current plans are to bring it to the Canfield Fair every other year from now on because of the great amount of interest in it.

Without exception, all of the 22 exhibitors came-up with beautiful and well thought-out displays for the 1968 Fair. The greatest amount of work undoubtedly went into the large Youngstown Hospital display, which dominated the tent. Using a 20 by 20 foot space, the Hospital built a complete operating room to show an open heart operational procedure. A team of gowned mannequins plus a 3 unit heart pump machine, anesthesia equipment, heart beat monitor simulator and a layout of instruments gave the public an insight as to what it takes for open heart surgery. An audio film strip repeatedly told the story of what was happening in the operating room. The display drew great crowds of interested spectators.

The Academy of General Practice, using a skeleton and a plastic model with removable organs, found a ready and interested audience gathered around their exhibit booth. The booth was manned twelve hours a day by members of the Academy.

Second only to Youngstown Hospital in the amount of expended effort was the beautiful display erected by the Heart Association of Eastern Ohio. Showing hunters in a woodland scene, the 20-foot exhibit was complete with mannequins, animals, rocks and trees. Those working around the tent for the few days prior to the opening day were impressed with "women-power" as the executive director of the Heart Association and her few assistants labored to assemble the display.

The Corydon Palmer Dental Society imported an outstanding display of modern dental equipment for the Fair. They augmented their exhibit with an appealing ventriloquist who told the youngsters about dental health. Dentists manned their display twelve hours a day.

The Woman's Auxiliary also spent long hours in their popular booth dedicated to young people. With film and pamphlets, they drove home information on smoking, alcohol, drug abuse, nutrition and health careers, all of which is part of their year-round program for youngsters.

The Youngstown Society for the Blind provided the only free tests in the tent this year. They continued their valuable screening for Amblyopia, with results to be sent to the child's physician.

The American Red Cross, always an interesting and exciting exhibitor, started people thinking ahead to Christmas with their "ditty bag for a G.I." campaign. Encouraging people to take bags home and fill them with sug-

gested items for soldiers in Vietnam, the Canfield Fair portion of their campaign was so successful that they ran out of bags early on the final day of the Fair.

Outstanding exhibits were the rule of the day, and included those of the Cancer Society, Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Cerebral Palsy, the Pharmaceutical Association, the Hearing and Speech Center, the Kidney Foundation, the Mental Health Association, Multiple Sclerosis, Muscular Dystrophy, the National Foundation, Planned Parenthood, the Podiatry Society, the Safety Council and the Veterinary Society.

Chairman of the committee which produced the medical-health tent is Dr. Jack Schreiber. His committee members are Dr. F. A. Friedrich, Dr. F. A. Resch and Dr. C. C. White.

Dr. White was in charge of the General Practice booth, and Mrs. Rene Cossette was in charge of the Auxiliary booth.

It would be impossible to name all of the organizers, workers, builders and supervisors who helped make the medical health tent the best in a 17 year history. To all of these, the Mahoning County Medical Society offers a sincere and profound "thanks for a good show."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

With respect to the "third party involvement in medicine" discussed in your August, 1968 editorial, there are three issues which deserve further mention. Of course we must accept third party payment; it is the patient's privilege to designate whomever he may choose as his agent. However, we are under no obligation to that agent.

We are under obligation only to those parties with whom we have chosen to enter contractual agreements, not whom the patient has chosen. We should protect our right to choose contractual parties of our own liking, not waive our right in that choice and delegate it to the patient. When we send our bill to our patient, we acknowledge that our contract is with the patient. Should we send our bill elsewhere, it would indicate that we accept contractual obligation to some other party. We should take care to send our bills only to those parties with whom we desire contractual obligation, patients.

If we send our bills to some other party, we are entering into management of the patient's financial affairs, an area in which we have no particular expertise. If the patient has need of financial management services, he would be ill-advised to come to us. Our expertise is limited to management of medical affairs and does not extend to the management of financial affairs. As physicians, we should stick to our last.

If the patient should involve himself in a contractual agreement with a third party in order to facilitate the management of his financial affairs and there should be a dispute, it is my view that as physicians we are poorly advised to accept the role of referee. Reference in the editorial to physicians becoming ". . . intimately involved so that the patient's interests are protected . . ." seems to give physicians license to meddle in every facet of a patient's affairs, something I'm sure the patient would not welcome. Besides, the mere fact that the patient may issue us an invitation to involve ourselves in some of his "interests" does not qualify us to advise the patient intelligently. We should discipline ourselves and limit our offerings to those in which we have special qualification, the clinical practice of medicine. If we offer other assistance, it must only be at the invitation of financial experts whom we accord jurisdiction. We should not willingly displace them.

Sincerely yours,
 Carl G. Madsen, Jr., M.D.
 President,
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More than 125 paintings will be on display and for sale from both nationally prominent painters and outstanding local artists. Funds for Project Hope will come from admission tickets and sale of paintings. Cost of admission is \$1.00. The exhibition may be seen from 2:00 to 10:00 p.m. on the three days of the show.

Physicians are particularly interested in the work of the hospital ship, which continues year after year to bring medical aid and medical knowledge to backward countries. The ship is entirely supported by private contributions.

Doctors are urged to take their families and to invite other interested persons to attend the showing. The art is outstanding and well worth while. The cause is one that all physicians recognize as a true extension of medical practice in its most altruistic form.

FOUR ON OSMA COMMITTEES

Four members of the Mahoning County Medical Society are serving on committees of the Ohio State Medical Association this year. Dr. William J. Flynn and Dr. Arthur E. Rappoport are on the Committee on Cancer. Dr. Jack Schreiber is on the Committee on Scientific Work, and Dr. Frank Gelbman is on the Committee on Mental Health. Appointments were made by the president of OSMA, Dr. Theodore L. Light, Dayton.

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Don't try out the new drugs on your patients, doctor, try them on yourself.

That is good advice but old S. Q. doesn't follow it. He tries them on his wife!

* * * *

A four letter word that is revolting to young people today is WORK. I like Reader's Digest. The articles are short and meaty. It exposes some of the graft, corruption and waste of our government. I wish more people would read it. I wish more people would read: the newspaper, the newsmagazine, anything. In depth.

Men glance at the front page, then turn to sports. Some look at the stock market. Women read the society page and Anne Landers.

On Sunday, everybody reads the letters to the Editor. I do too and often have the urge to write a stirring message. But I am given pause when I think of the cranks who disagree and will ring my phone at all hours to shout obscenities.

So I write for the *Bulletin*. You are my captive audience. If you disagree with my opinions, don't call me. Write an article for the *Bulletin*.

There is a movement on foot sponsored by some old hard heads to make attendance at the Society meetings Compulsory. Nobody is going to take away my membership just because I never take any interest or serve on committees or even come to the meetings. Everybody knows that the Society is run by a clique of devoted officers and committees. Let them do the work. I pay my money and get the benefits. Why not?

SCHOOL CAMPAIGN PASSES HALF-WAY MARK

Although it is impossible for a magazine, such as the *Bulletin*, to give up-to-the-minute news to medical society members, it can be reported that at the date of publication, the medical school campaign had passed the half-way mark of \$15,000.

The campaign is for the purpose of raising enough money to have a competent nationally-recognized firm prepare a feasibility study for a medical school at Youngstown State University.

The campaign got off to a flying start. The Medical Society made a \$2,000 contribution and several foundations and large manufacturers did the same. Within one week the \$10,000 mark had been passed. Some more businesses made smaller contributions and then the campaign seemed to have bogged down. However, an appeal to the physicians brought in a flock of individual donations and the campaign picked up speed again.

It is known that a number of substantial gifts will be made but that there have been some delays due to late board meetings and other business reasons.

DIABETES WEEK STARTS NOVEMBER 17

As in the past, the Mahoning County Medical Society will conduct a Diabetes Week in conjunction with the American Diabetes Association and with the assistance of the Woman's Auxiliary. Dates are set for Nov. 17-23.

During the detection drive, the Diabetes Committee asks members to test all patients for glycosuria with Clinitest tablets provided for the campaign. The committee suggests a 2 hour post-meal glucose urine test or (preferred method) 2 hour post-meal blood sugar using either the usual photometer method or Dextrostix on finger-tip blood.

It is important that the results be tabulated and reported to the Medical Society office. Members are urged to ask their medical assistants to keep a record and phone in the report.

Promotional material for the week will include radio and television spots, newspaper stories, posters and pamphlets.

Packets of material will be delivered to each office by members of the Auxiliary. At the same time (week of Nov. 3rd), Auxiliary members will pick up unwanted drug samples of all kinds.

Dr. Sanford Gaylord is chairman for Diabetes Week. His committee consists of Dr. H. H. Ipp, Dr. W. R. Johnson, Dr. J. B. Stechsulte and Dr. M. M. Yarmy.

Mrs. R. B. McConnell is in charge of the Auxiliary delivery and pick-up.

AMA REPORTS MCMS PAMPHLETS

Two pamphlets published by the Mahoning County Medical Society recently received national recognition. Entitled "Closing the Physician's Office," and "Arranging the Physician's Personal and Office Records," the pamphlets were reported in the AMA publication, "PR Doctor," a bi-monthly review of public relations material.

The pamphlets, published under the supervision of Dr. Frank Gelbman, are designed to help a physician and his family prepare for an emergency by recording vital information ahead of time. Copies have been sent to every member of the medical society. Additional copies are available at the Medical Society office.

THANKS TO FIRST AID DOCTORS

The Mahoning County Medical Society, the American Red Cross and the Canfield Fair Board join to thank those physicians who worked at the First Aid Station during the five days of the Fair: Dr. Robert Ciekurs, Dr. R. W. Fenton, Dr. W. E. Maine, Dr. Charles McGowan, Dr. Jack Schreiber and Dr. Mike Vuksta.

The First Aid Station renders a necessary service at the county fair and the Medical Society is pleased to be able to fulfill the obligation of physician supervision each year.

MEDICAL-LEGAL COMMITTEE MEETS

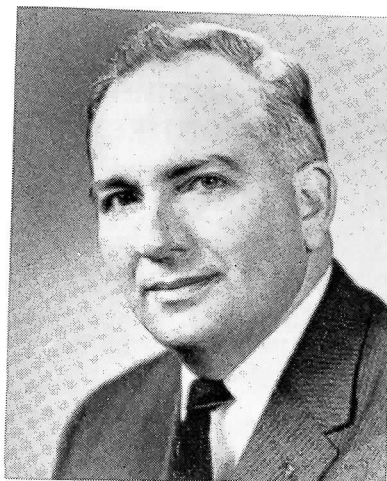
The first meeting of the Joint Conference Committee established by the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Mahoning County Bar Association, as prescribed by Section D of the local Physician-Lawyer Code of Statement of Principles, was held on September 12, 1968. Dr. Sidney Franklin was unanimously elected Chairman.

A preliminary discussion was held regarding its purposes, and the plans for its functions will be defined at the next meeting of the committee.

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DR. BLEACHER IS NEW SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. John Bleacher has been named school physician for the city schools by the Youngstown Board of Education. Dr. Bleacher is a Pediatric Surgeon. He has been a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society since January, 1967.

He replaces Dr. E. R. Thomas, who retired recently after serving the Youngstown public schools as physician for 28 years. Dr. Thomas received recognition at the 1966 annual meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society when he was the recipient of the fifty-year pin from the Ohio State Medical Association.

The Youngstown public school health department, organized by Dr. Thomas, received national recognition several years ago as one of the most outstanding in the country. In retiring from the school position, Dr. Thomas commended the school nursing staff for their work with children and families. He also commended the dental staff for the "terrific improvement in dental hygiene."

In a recent newspaper article, Dr. Thomas commented on the greatly improved health of school children in the past quarter of a century. Dr. Thomas is to be commended by the physicians of Youngstown for his part as a dedicated school physician in bringing about this change.

BULLETIN BOARD

Dr. David A. Belinky, Mahoning County Coroner, was elected chairman of the advisory board of the National Association of Coroners at their annual convention in Anaheim, California. Dr. Belinky is a past president of the Ohio Coroners Association and past vice president of the national organization.

Dr. John Melnick, along with Dr. Abdul Hafiz, have published a paper, entitled, "Calcification of the Vas Deferens," in the Journal of the Canadian Association of Radiologists, June, 1968. Dr. Hafiz is a former resident of the Department of Radiology, South Unit, YHA, and is now living in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Dr. Isadore Mendel has been appointed general chairman of the OSU Development Fund's 1968 Campaign in Mahoning County.

Dr. Nathan Belinky, was recently elected president of the East Side Kiwanis Club. He will assume office January 1. Dr. David Belinky is a director of the club.

In a recent tribute to Dr. B. B. Burrowes, written for the Vindicator by Esther Hamilton, it was revealed that Dr. Burrowes is editor of the Buckeye Review. This is only a small part of his many civic activities, but one that was unknown to most of his fellow physicians.

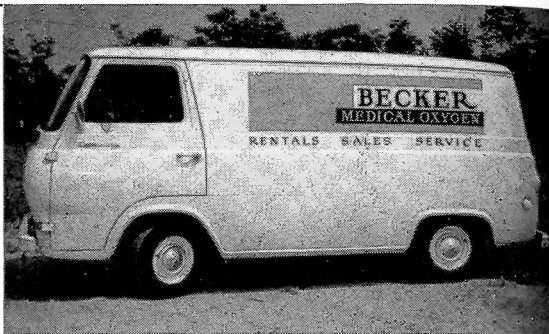
Dr. Anthony N. Pannozzo has been named medical director of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of Mahoning County. He will coordinate all medical activities of the rehabilitation program and act as chief of the professional staff.

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REMINISCENCES OF 50 YEARS AGO

In 1918 there was a great pandemic of Influenza. It swept the world. We called it the "Spanish Flu" because it started in Spain.

It reached here in September during the lovely fall weather. One of the earliest victims was Fred Bunn, the Superintendent of Youngstown Hospital.

World War I was on and Youngstown was sending a Base Hospital to France. Fred was very busy with arrangements and when he took sick with the chills, fever and aching he had to be persuaded to go to bed. He took sick on Thursday, worse on Friday, pneumonia on Saturday and died on Sunday.

That was the pattern. People were not just sick, they were dying. The doctors were swamped, the hospitals were swamped. The Red Cross took over South High School for an emergency hospital manned by volunteers.

I don't remember where the students went, but their desks were cleared out and the class rooms were filled with sick people cared for by Red Cross workers wearing gauze masks.

Pop Morrison was a leading practitioner of medicine then and one day he invited this young interne (the writer) to go over to South High and make rounds with him.

It was a shattering experience. All the "Flu" cases we had at the hospital were expectant mothers, nurses and doctors. I had seen death of course. Of the pregnant women who contracted the disease, 90% died. Mr. Bunn died and Dr. Hank Evans died. But when we went into South High there were rooms full of people who were ALL dying. They were blue, struggling for breath with bloody froth on their lips. No oxygen, no intravenous, no antibiotic. Just aspirin, baking soda and nursing care. They died faster than the morticians could bury them.

Doctors making home calls would be spotted by the neighbors and would end up seeing every family on the block. They would go home at night exhausted and the phone would ring all night. Dr. Zimmerman told me he never got his clothes off for 3 nights. It was an endurance contest.

That is the way it was in 1918.

—S. Q. Laypius

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CHAMBER WILL SUPPORT TB LEVY

The Youngstown Area Chamber of Commerce, an earlier opponent of a TB Sanatorium operating tax levy, will support the .4-mill levy on the November 5 ballot.

A taxation committee from the Chamber found that the Sanatorium is operating more efficiently than anticipated, with operating figures less than the cost at several other Ohio TB hospitals. The Committee also commented favorably on the physical facilities of the Sanatorium. The committee approved the decision by sanatorium trustees to further increase operating efficiency by proposing that the sanatorium be made a multipurpose facility.

BULLETIN CALENDAR

OCTOBER 10 THROUGH NOVEMBER 15, 1968

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| Oct. 10 | 8:00 a.m. | Section Meetings, YHA |
| | 8:00 a.m. | Tumor Conf., St. Elizabeth |
| | 9:30 a.m. | V.P., Surgery, R. W. Hopkins, St. Elizabeth |
| Oct. 14 | 4:00 p.m. | Medical Seminar, "Genotyping," Hitchcock Aud., YHA |
| Oct. 15 | 6:30 p.m. | Mahoning County Medical Society, Mural Room |
| Oct. 17 | 8:00 a.m. | CPC, St. Elizabeth |
| | 8:00 a.m. | Rpt. of Med. Dir. on Medical Staff Conf., Estes Park, Colo., YHA |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Tumor Conf., St. Elizabeth |
| | 1:00 p.m. | V.P., Medicine, Dr. T. S. Danowski, St. Elizabeth |
| Oct. 24 | 8:00 a.m. | CPC, Hitchcock Aud., YHA |
| | 8:00 a.m. | Tumor Conf., St. Elizabeth |
| | 9:30 a.m. | V.P., Surgery, P. P. Bosomworth, St. Elizabeth |
| Oct. 28 | 4:00 p.m. | Medical Seminar, "Dermatologic Manifestations of Malignancies," Aud., YHA |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Medical Mortality Conf., SU Drs. Dining Room, YHA |
| Oct. 29 | 6:00 p.m. | Medical Executive Comm. Meeting, NU Coffee Shop, YHA |
| Oct. 31 | 8:00 a.m. | GI Conf., Dr. David Brown, Hitchcock Aud., YHA |
| | 8:00 a.m. | CPC, St. Elizabeth |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Tumor Conf., St. Elizabeth |
| | 1:00 p.m. | V.P., Medicine, James Leonard, Aud., St. Elizabeth |
| Nov. 2 | 8:00 a.m. | Surgical Section, Aud., St. Elizabeth |
| Nov. 4 | 7:30 p.m. | Dental Staff meeting, Drs. Lib., SU, YHA |
| Nov. 5 | 8:30 a.m. | General Practice and Med. Sect. Mtgs., Aud. St. Elizabeth |
| | 7:30 p.m. | OB-GYN and EENT Sect. Mtgs., Aud., St. Elizabeth |
| Nov. 7 | 8:00 a.m. | V.P., Colin R. MacPherson, M.D., OSU, Hitchcock, Aud., YHA |
| | 8:00 a.m. | CPC, St. Elizabeth |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Pediatric Sect. Mtg., 6W Conf. Room, St. Elizabeth |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Tumor Conf., St. Elizabeth |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Medical Assistants Dinner, Mural Room |
| Nov. 9 | 8:00 a.m. | Executive Committee, St. Elizabeth |
| Nov. 11 | 4:00 p.m. | Medical Seminar, Hitchcock Aud., YHA |
| Nov. 12 | 6:30 p.m. | Council, Mahoning County Medical Society, Mural Room |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Dental Sect. Mtg., Aud., St. Elizabeth |
| Nov. 14 | 8:00 a.m. | Section Meetings, YHA |
| | 8:00 a.m. | Tumor Conf., St. Elizabeth |

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THIRTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1938

Dr. Perrin Long addressed the Society on "The Use of Sulfanilamide". It was a new antibiotic with side effects. Sodium Bicarbonate and an adequate amount of fluid had to be given with it.

The first dinner dance of the Medical Society was enjoyed that month at the Youngstown Country Club. Plans were announced to make it an annual affair. It was the first time anyone could remember that wives were invited to a Medical Society affair.

Elmer Wencas contributed an article on "Allergic Conjunctivitis" and A. Marinelli one on "The Acute Abdomen in Children and Infants". John A. McDonough was a new member. Paul Mahar was in the hospital for an appendectomy.

Health Commissioner Ryall assured the members that pneumonia serum would be available for the indigent sick during the coming winter.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1948

The Women's Auxiliary was well organized by this time and announced a luncheon at Mrs. McDonough's home. Mrs. S. J. Ondash was President.

The new Medical Service Foundation mailed out its Code of Regulations for the members to study. The new Youngstown Heart Association was inviting the doctors to join.

An A.M.A. committee to study General Practice conditions reported that the G. P. does not show adequate interest in organized medicine and should be urged to participate.

Elmore McNeal became a new member.

The Zemmer Company advertised its product "Auri-Tussin" for whooping cough.

TEN YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1958

Editor Morris Rosenblum was worried about two things: Protection of children against polio and the expense of hospitalization for the aged. He no longer needs to worry about either.

Mrs. Dena Evans was elected a Director of the Women's Auxiliary of the A.M.A. Sidney Franklin was re-elected Vice-President of the American Board of Legal Medicine.

Council voted to accept cigarette advertising in the *Bulletin*. Council commended Dr. McGregor and his committee for their management of the Health Exhibit at the Canfield Fair.

Jake Turner returned from the Mayo Clinic and joined Brant, Nelson and Flynn to do chest surgery. Wm. D. Loeser came from Buffalo to be Director of Education at Youngstown Hospital.

—J. L. F.

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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 10, 1968

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, September 10, 1968, at the Mural Room, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: R. R. Fisher, President, presiding; J. J. Anderson, Louis Bloomberg, L. P. Caccamo, G. E. DeCicco, Henry Holden, R. L. Jenkins, R. D. Murray, J. V. Newsome, M. C. Raupple, E. T. Saadi, F. L. Schellhase, Jack Schreiber, J. W. Tandatnick and Kurt Wegner. Absent were: J. J. Buckley, F. A. Friedrich, C. A. Hixson, W. D. Loeser, C. E. Pichette and R. G. Warnock.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that each bill be paid.

The Medical Dental Bureau "any doctor call" report was passed around for every member to see.

Dr. Fisher introduced discussion concerning the City Water Dept. attending physicians form. He stated that he would send a sample form to the department with a statement that it would be adequate.

Dr. Caccamo, chairman, made a report for the medical school committee. He announced the beginning of a campaign to raise money for a feasibility study and reported a total of \$11,250 received toward a goal of \$30,000. He announced that Booz, Allen and Hamilton would be called in to begin the study as soon as sufficient returns were received.

Dr. Anderson made a report for the Ad Hoc Committee to study insurance review. He read the minutes of the June 11 meeting of the committee. Dr. Anderson made the motion, properly seconded that the previous motion of April 16 be rescinded and that a letter be sent to Equitable Life thanking them for their interest. Motion was passed. Dr. Anderson then made a motion, properly seconded, that the Mahoning County Medical Society establish an insurance review committee. Motion was passed.

Dr. Jack Schreiber, chairman, made a report for the Canfield Fair Committee. He complimented a number of the exhibitors in the medical health tent for excellent displays and stated that the all-over exhibit was the best effort to date.

A letter was read from Dr. Frank Morrison requesting a letter of approval for the Eye Bank Program sponsored by the Lions Club. Motion for approval was made by Dr. Bloomberg and properly seconded. Motion was passed.

A letter was read from Lloyd T. Stillson in which he made the Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation beneficiary to a life insurance policy owned by himself. Council expressed sincere appreciation to Mr. Stillson.

A letter was read from Walter Paulo asking that physicians send him information if they have experienced delay in receiving payments from the state welfare department. It was noted that the letter had been published in the *Bulletin*.

A letter was read from the Joint Committee on Health Problems in Education of the American Medical Association and the National Education Association citing a resolution on perceptual development training. The resolution will be published in the *Bulletin* for information. Dr. Anderson read a similar statement issued by the Executive Board of the American Academy of Pediatrics on the Doman-Delacato Treatment of Neurologically Handicapped Children.

Dr. Fisher called attention to the Dental and Medical Societies joint fall outing and asked for good attendance. He outlined the schedule of meetings and events for the remainder of the year.

—Howard Rempes
Executive Secretary

PERCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

The following resolution was passed by the Joint Committee on Health Problems in Education of the National Education Association and the American Medical Association:

WHEREAS: school personnel are beginning to utilize various methods of visual perceptual motor development training in attempts to alleviate academic learning disabilities, and

WHEREAS: research has not substantiated that these methods are more effective than other procedures in remediation of these learning disabilities; therefore be it

RESOLVED: that school personnel use caution and restraint in the application of these perceptual development training methods until the reliability and validity of these techniques have been evaluated through adequate research.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT BULLETIN

AUGUST, 1968

	Resident		Non-Resident		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Births	91	95	114	113	413
Deaths	79	54	77	53	263
Infant Deaths	1	2	2	1	6

AUGUST, 1967

Births	126	113	113	115	467
Deaths	78	50	70	56	254
Infant Deaths	2	1	0	0	3

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

	1968		1967	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Chicken Pox	1	0	0	0
Mumps	0	0	3	0
Encephalitis	1	0	0	0
Tuberculosis	1	0	10	0
Gonorrhoea	0	0	37	0
Syphilis	0	0	2	0

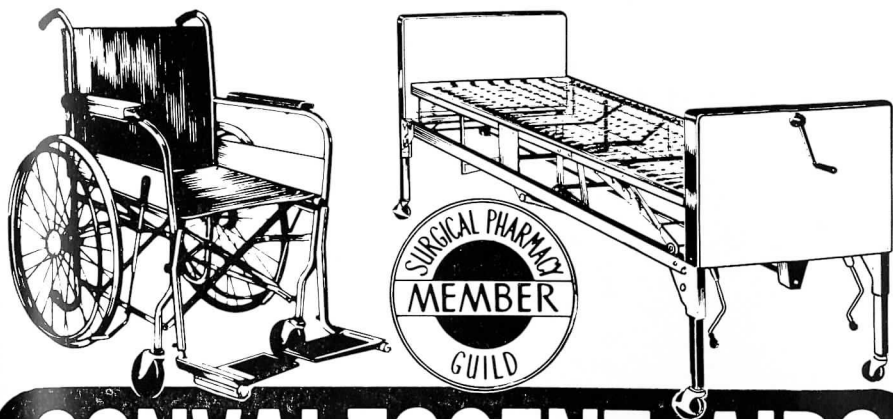
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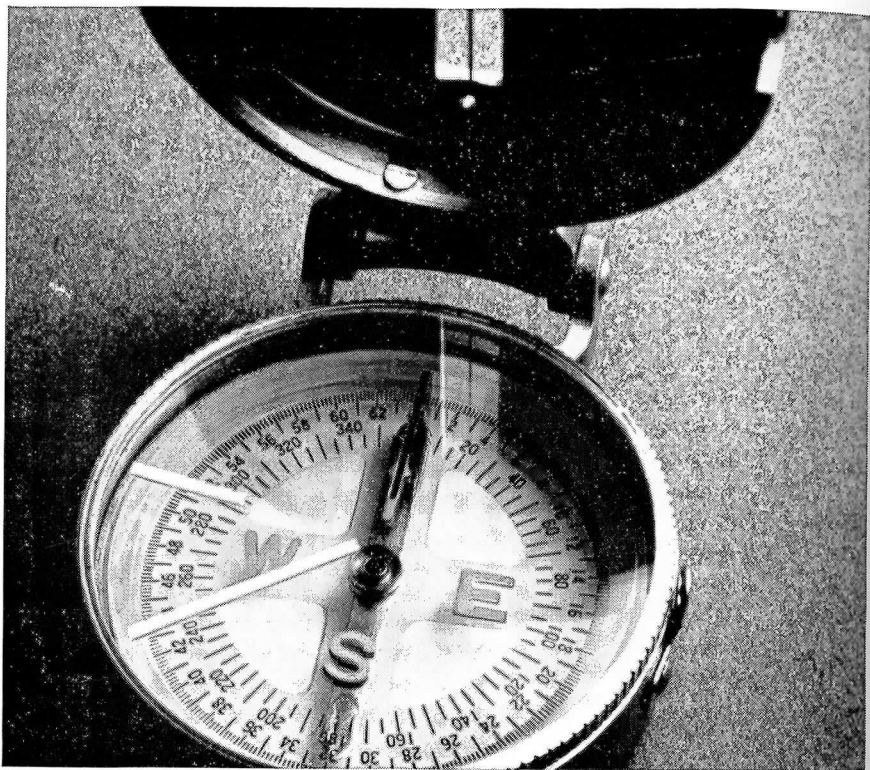
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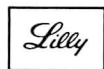
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