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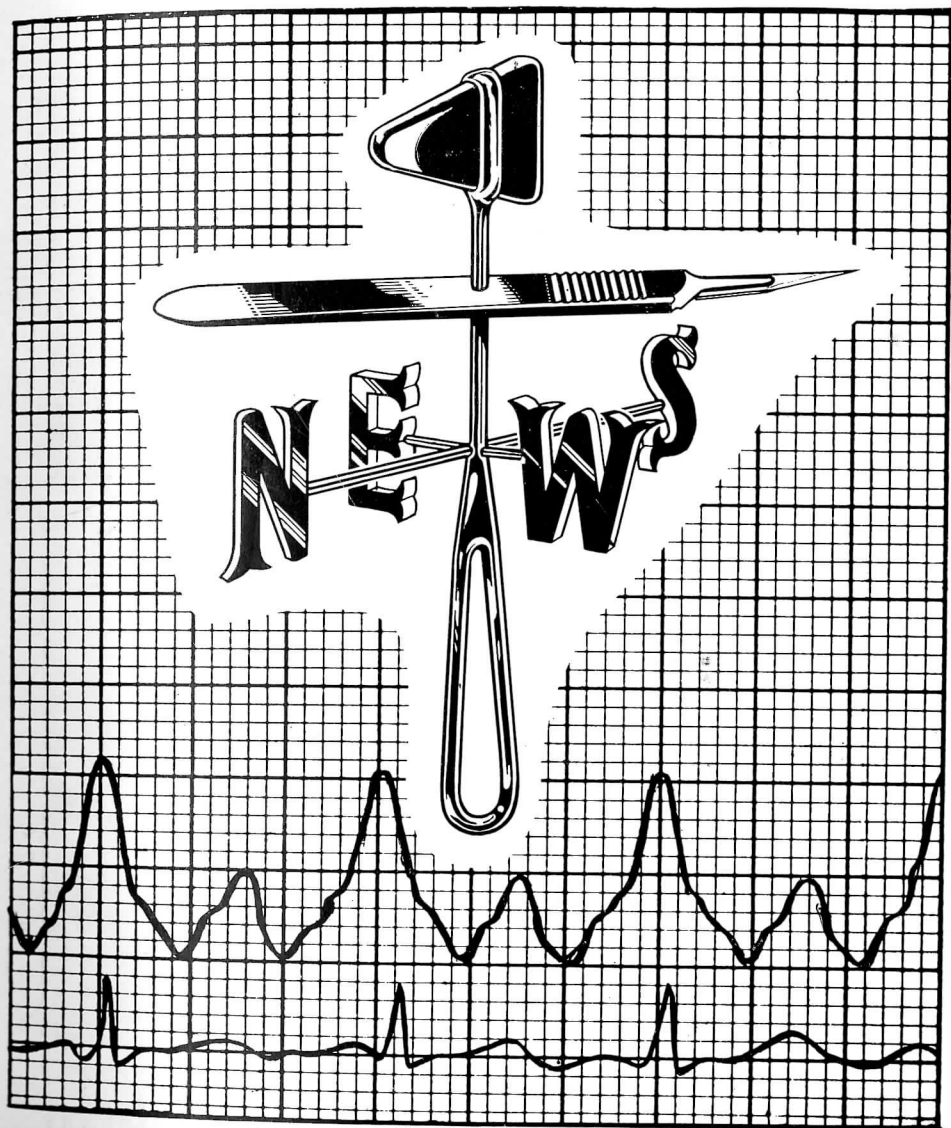
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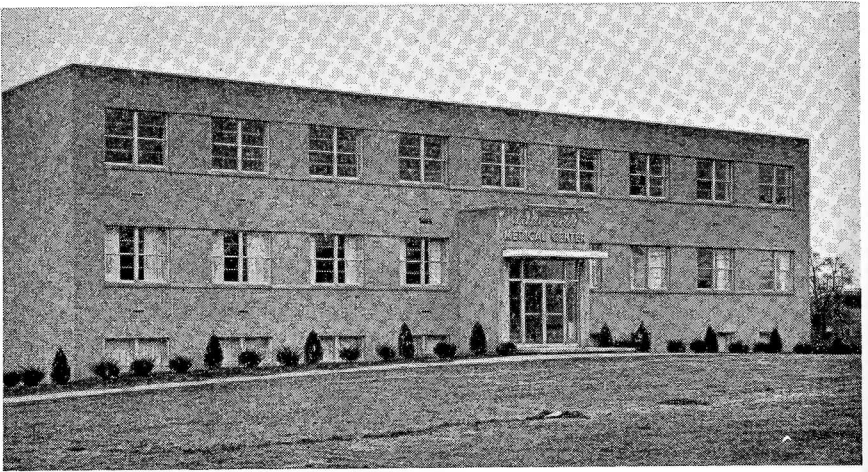
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## *From the Desk of the President*

The first council meeting in 1970 was concerned with the problems of health care in Youngstown as seen through the eyes of the new health commissioner.

At this meeting Dr. Greissinger was introduced and gave a brief overview of what he hopes to accomplish in his role as the leader of public health.

The most serious discussion was devoted to the closing of the VD Clinic. After much discussion it was voted by the council to recommend that the VD Clinic be reopened as soon as possible and the public health committee was instructed to be as helpful as they could in the re-establishment of the VD Clinic.

As your president I have promised to the health commissioner the full support of the medical community to resolve the problem of VD. In making this promise I realize that we will all have to do better in reporting and, as Dr. Greissinger has pointed out, we must do a better job of educating the public as to the need of the treatment of VD. Dr. Greissinger has assured us that the public health department will be at our disposal to help us in anyway they can so that VD can be eliminated.

While this first meeting of council had much to do with public health, I believe that we should continue our discussion of individual health and of course this involves the education of the public.

Up until now most of this has been done by the private physicians and the volunteer agencies. I think our job has not been too bad; however, Dr. Greissinger does have films and literature available which may be very helpful in getting better public education.

In the delivery of care on a 1-1 ratio we are going to have to do an education job for the public as well because, while there is talk of new systems and new ways of paying for medical care for the immediate future, we are going to have to get along with what we have. What we have to get along with is mighty good. We will have to impress the people with having their own private MD or be affiliated with one of the hospital clinics so that they may receive adequate care and hopefully use the emergency room only for crisis care and not as an extra office when they physician is not available. We will have to educate these people to arrange for their treatment before they get sick rather than make it a crisis situation when they happen to get sick.

I am sure that if the people of the United States want to spend 50-100 billion dollars a year they can have a physician at their fingertips instantly whenever they pick up the telephone; but I am not personally convinced that the people want to spend that much money. I don't know that it is a necessity that they do.

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**Editorial****RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS**

An all day Symposium on Rheumatoid Arthritis will be held on Sunday, February 22, 1970 at the Voyager Motor Inn in Youngstown. The Symposium is being presented by the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Mahoning County Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice.

The speakers for the Symposium are all from Buffalo, New York, and represent a most unusual group if not a unique group in the United States. All speakers are on the faculty at the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Dr. Germante L. Boncaldo is in a group of three rheumatologists whose offices has existed over 35 years. A number of scientific papers has been published in journals by this group in addition to a number of contributions to text books. Early clinical research has been done on private patients with new drugs prior to their general use by the medical profession. This is evidence of the confidence of drug companies in these physicians. Dr. Boncaldo is also a Clinical Assistant at the Buffalo General Hospital.

Dr. David L. Berens is the senior member of a five man group of radiologists. His book "Roentgen Diagnosis of Rheumatoid Arthritis" was published in 1969 and is the most authoritative book on the subject in the United States. The technique of fine bone detail X-rays and early radiographic changes in rheumatoid arthritis has been exhibited at numerous national meetings for the past several years. A book on "Rheumatoid Spondylolitis" is in preparation. I am indebted to Dr. Berens for my training in radiographic rheumatology, having spent one year with his group in close association with Dr. Boncaldo's group.

Dr. Peter A. Casagrande is one of the pioneers in surgery of rheumatoid arthritis. His vast experience covers over twelve years in this relatively "new" field. His many publications have brought a number of surgeons to Buffalo for training and observation of his technique. As a resident, Dr. Casagrande and Dr. Harold Frost wrote a book on "General Orthopedics." He has contributed to several text books in his speciality.

Dr. William H. Georgi, in addition to his professorship at Buffalo's School of Medicine, is Director of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Buffalo General Hospital. He has introduced new techniques and has published papers on this very important aspect of rheumatoid arthritis.

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*From the Desk of the President (Continued)*

The Medical Society in the coming meetings will try to inform the membership of what the needs are in delivery of care in this community.

We will start with Dr. Kessler's committee in February and hopefully be able to receive this committee report in the spirit in which it will be given, so that we might better plan to see that everyone in Mahoning County does receive adequate care.

I might point out that not everyone is enamored of medical care and some people in Mahoning County prefer to go outside of Mahoning County for care and of course all of us have patients outside Mahoning County who migrate to us for care. This is probably a reciprocal agreement that as far as numbers go one cancels out the other.

There are also people who choose medical practitioners that are not associated with the established medical community and I have no quarrel with these people if this is what they desire. Also there are people who turn to religion and other forms of healing and we certainly cannot quarrel with these people.

I would like to point out that no matter what the government decides is the proper way of treating people they can really only pass legislation which will help to pay for the delivery of this care. They can't actually deliver the care.

Through the influence of money they can over a given period of time perhaps make it more profitable to deliver care in a certain way but if this way is not really the best way I think doctors will be able to resist the economic opportunities that will be provided in the laws that are being talked about.

I believe that each member of the Medical Society should inform himself on the legislation that will be presented this year by Congress to the various ways of paying for medical care. I think we should be able to discuss this intelligently with our patients whenever questions arise.

—Robert L. Jenkins, M.D.  
President

*Editorial (Continued)*

The uniqueness of this group of men lies in their private separate offices, but extreme closeness, interests, interchange of ideas and the unusual working together as a team in rheumatology. Their experience in rheumatoid arthritis runs into many thousands of cases. They are all known authorities in their respective field having exhibited displays, written texts and papers, lectured and consulted freely among themselves as well as referring physicians. A particularly outstanding feature is their humility and eagerness to learn and teach.

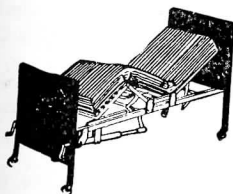
I believe the Symposium is an unusual opportunity for our local physicians to hear a group of outstanding speakers. I urge all members of our Society to attend this meeting.

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In seven hectic school days, from January 13 through January 21, five immunization teams per day traveled to 113 schools in Mahoning County, Girard, and Liberty Township. Where possible, a team consisted of a physician, a representative of the public health department, a member of the woman's auxiliary, a school nurse and several clerks and helpers from the school.

"It was a tremendous campaign," Dr. Wegner reports. "Despite the fact that the schools were inconvenienced and upset by the need for scheduling, rearranging busses, collecting money and keeping records, they all jumped in and did a fine job." The Medical Society publicly thanks the superintendents, principals, teachers and custodians for their dedicated work, and especially the school nurses who, in every case, had the children and equipment and a room ready for the team and then worked side by side with the doctor or technician while the shots were being administered.

Thanks also go to the representatives of the Ohio Department of Health who came to Mahoning County to carry out the program. These were headed by James Rittenhouse, and include Max Pesses, William Martin, James Yerian, John Keller, William Lee, Doran Butts and Walter Wiskochil.

Special thanks go to the Averbach Wholesale Drug Co., where the immunization campaign headquarters were set up, and where the employees offered continual help in many ways before, during and after the program.

Thanks, too, go to the physicians who attended the immunizations at the schools, and to the auxiliary members who were a great help at the schools. Special thanks are due to Mrs. Henry Holden, auxiliary president, who scheduled so many of her members at the schools. Dr. Fenton at the Mahoning County Health Department and Dr. Greissing and Dr. Dahman at the Youngstown Health Department were very helpful, as was Dr. S. D. Goldberg in getting assistance from the Youngstown Board of Health to purchase the vaccine.

The Youngstown Vindicator, WFMJ, WKBN, WYTV, WBBW and WHOT did a wonderful job of publicizing the program, as did the Boardman News and other area newspapers.

The Ohio Department of Health reports that this was the first large-scale rubella immunization in Ohio, and that other counties in the area are now following the lead of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

Other members of the Rubella Vaccine Program Committee are: Dr. J. J. Anderson, Dr. W. B. Dodgson and Dr. R. A. Wiltsie.

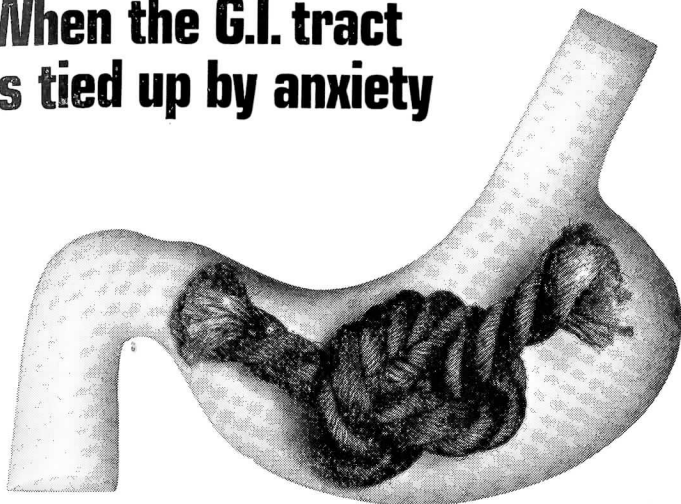
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## FATHER-SON BANQUET FEBRUARY 12

For the second straight year, the Corydon Palmer Dental Society has invited physicians to take part in their annual Father-Son Banquet. Speaker will be Bill Nelsen, quarterback for the Cleveland Browns. Last year's speaker was Woody Hayes.

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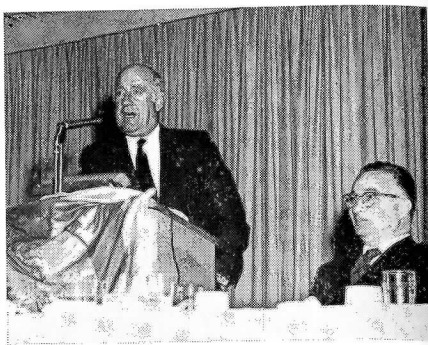
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## DR. ANNIS IS INSTALLATION SPEAKER



(Top) Dr. Robert L. Jenkins accepts the gavel of office from retiring president, Dr. Joseph W. Tandatnick. Principal speaker, Dr. Edward R. Annis. (Bottom) Dr. Jenkins pins the past-president's pin on Dr. Tandatnick. Dr. D. J. Dallis, retiring editor, accepts a bound-volume of the 1969 Bulletin from Dr. Tandatnick.

The Mahoning County Medical Society got off to a rousing start for 1970 at the January 22 installation banquet. With Dr. Edward R. Annis as speaker, the program proved to be one of the finest.

Master of ceremonies and guest of honor was Dr. Joseph W. Tandatnick, retiring president, who was awarded a recognition plaque and a past-president's pin. Dr. Tandatnick presented the gavel to in-coming president, Dr. Robert L. Jenkins. He presented a bound volume of the 1969 *Bulletin* to Dr. D. J. Dallis, editor, and he honored the executive secretary, Howard Rempes, with the gift of an initialed silver bowl. Dr. Jenkins' new gavel was made by Dr. Pat Cestone.

Officers, delegates, alternates and members of council were installed by Dr. Tandatnick. A moment of silence was observed for those who had passed away during the year: Dr. E. J. Reilly, Dr. Sidney Franklin, Dr. J. B. Kupec, Dr. Henry Sisek, Dr. Anthony Bayuk, Dr. Ivan C. Smith and Dr. A. C. Marinelli. The invocation was given by the Rev. Homer J. R. Elford, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church.

Dr. Annis was introduced by Dr. Schrieber, who concluded his remarks with a bit of magic. The introduction received such a round of applause that Dr. Annis commented that it was a rule in show business never to follow the dog act.

Dr. Annis, an accomplished speaker, making his third appearance before the Mahoning County Medical Society, discussed the fourth year of Medicare.



He pointed out that the overly-expensive and overly-administrated program was costing the nation a great amount of money, just as physicians predicted that it would. He further observed that administrators were putting the blame on the medical profession, just as physicians predicted they would. He also pointed to the fact that it has been proven that physicians, in general, have not unreasonably raised their fees because of Medicare, and that they are carrying a tremendous load of patients under Medicare, many of whom are the patients they were treating for free in the past.

Dr. Annis also commented on planning associations and the "absurd" law which requires that a majority of a planning board be consumers. He likened the situation to that of building a bridge, but letting the structure be decided by those who use the bridge, rather than by professional architects and builders. (Last year, the Mahoning County Medical Society sponsored a resolution, passed by the American Medical Association, calling for a new law doing away with any required majority on a health planning board.)

More than 140 attended the installation ceremonies. Many wives attended with their husbands.

Dr. Jenkins pledged to the audience that he would be short-winded in talking, during the coming year, but long-winded in writing; and he expressed the hope that people would read his president's page in the *Bulletin* and would pitch in and help with the program for the year.

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## MAHONING COUNTY HOSTS SEMINAR

All physicians of the Mahoning County Medical Society, and in northeastern Ohio, have received an invitation for the Symposium on Rheumatoid Arthritis, to be held Sunday, February 22, at the Voyager Motor Inn. The invitation contains a reservation card, which should be mailed to the Medical Society office as soon as possible.

Speakers are Germante L. Boncaldo, M.D., David L. Berens, M.D., Peter A. Casagrande, M.D. and William H. Georgi, M.D., all from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Medicine.

Luncheon speaker will be Dr. A. L. Pugsley, president of Youngstown State University. Chairman for the meeting is Dr. John C. Melnick. Moderators for the morning and afternoon sessions will be Dr. Frederick S. Coombs, Jr. and Dr. William D. Loeser.

The meeting is sponsored by the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Mahoning County Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice, and is made possible by a grant from and with the cooperation of Lederle Laboratories.

Registration will be at 9:00 a.m., with the first session getting under way at 10:00. Luncheon for physicians and wives will be at 12:15. Afternoon sessions begin at 2:00, and a reception will be held at 5:15 p.m. There is no fee required for attendance at the scientific sessions, luncheon or reception.

A special program for wives will be an Interpretation of Folk Songs through Ballet by the Manhattan Festival Ballet of Youngstown.

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## VD CLINIC REOPENS

Youngstown's Venereal Disease Clinic, temporarily closed in December, was reopened on February 2. The announcement was made by Dr. W. M. Greissing, Health Commissioner, following a meeting of the Board of Health.

Dr. Herman Zeve will be the Physician-in-charge. Mrs. Fredl Polk will be Chief Investigator and Epidemiologist. It is intended that in the very near future an Assistant Investigator will be added.

The Clinic is at South Unit of Youngstown Hospital. Hours are 3:30 to 6:00 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday.



*In Memoriam*

**DR. ADOLPHUS C. MARINELLI**  
1897 - 1970

In addition to being a physician, starting with his internship at St. Elizabeth Hospital in 1924, Dr. Marinelli made a name for himself in two additional unrelated careers. At the age of 21, he was already a war veteran, and before he became 50, he was a veteran of a second war. He served as an enlisted man in the Medical Corps in World War I, and was a Lieutenant Colonel in World War II, during which time he made many trips to North Africa and received a Presidential citation. The other career was that which earned him the title, "Gentleman Farmer." His 135 acre farm on Belmont Extension was the scene of many happy outings for physicians, medical assistants and friends.

Dr. Marinelli was born at Hoytdale, Penna. His family moved to Youngstown and he attended Front St., South Ave., and the old Market St. grade schools, later being graduated from South High School. He received his medical degree at Ohio State University in 1924 and took surgical training at Harvard Medical School.

Following his internship and residency at St. Elizabeth Hospital, he opened his office for practice in 1926 at 211 E. Federal St., later moving to Central Tower.

Dr. Marinelli was a member of the Youngstown Club, the Mahoning Gun Club, Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity, and was a 32nd Degree Mason.

He was one of a large Marinelli family in Youngstown, which, at one count a few years ago, numbered more than 125 persons in five generations. He not only leaves a great many relatives, but an uncountable number of friends, all of whom were grieved to see him entering into a lingering illness.

Dr. Lester Gregg once summed it up in a *Bulletin* article: "Doctor Marinelli is well liked by his patients and colleagues, for which there are many reasons. He is a sincere, friendly and conscientious person. He takes considerable interest in his patients. He has a warm personality and is down to earth, and above all, he is a gentleman."

This is the way that we shall remember him, as we mourn the passing of a fine physician.

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## COMMITTEE ADDITIONS

Some additions and corrections have been made to the committee list published in the January issue of the *Bulletin*.

Dr. Paul Ruth's name was inadvertently omitted. Dr. Ruth is a member of the Pre-School Health Committee and the Welfare Advisory Committee.

A Child Learning Committee has been appointed, with Dr. J. J. Anderson as chairman. Members are Dr. Lou Bloomberg, Dr. R. L. Gilliland, Dr. Kurt Wegner, Dr. I. Werbner, Dr. L. N. Green, Dr. A. B. Cinelli, Dr. A. N. Panno and Dr. W. E. Sovik.

An Ad Hoc Committee to study the city charter revision in the area of the Health Department has been appointed. Dr. John J. McDonough is chairman. Members include: Dr. David Belinky, Dr. John McCann, Dr. Asher Randell, Dr. Paxton Jones and Dr. Charles Stertzbach. This is the same committee that worked to provide a Board of Health and an M.D. Health Commissioner back in 1957.

Dr. John Stotler, as president-elect, has been appointed to the Grievance Committee. Dr. Tandatnick has been appointed to the Health Planning Committee.

## PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL JANUARY 13, 1970

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, January 13, 1970, at the Mural Room, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: Robert L. Jenkins, president, presiding: R. A. Abdu, J. J. Anderson, Louis Bloomberg, B. P. Brucoli, K. E. Camp, G. E. DeCicco, S. F. Gaylord, Henry Holden, C. H. McGowen, J. C. Melnick, R. D. Murray, J. V. Newsome, M. C. Raupple, Jack Schreiber, J. W. Tandatnick, Kurt Wegner, L. J. Zehr, S. V. Squicquero, R. A. Wiltsie, and Herman Allen. Also present were: Drs. W. M. Greissing, J. R. Dahman, H. S. Zeve and S. D. Goldberg. Absent were: Drs. L. P. Caccamo, D. J. Dallis, C. E. Pichette, J. F. Stotler, Charles Waltner, R. W. Fenton and D. A. Belinky.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. 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 any-doctor call report of the Medical Dental Bureau was passed around for each member to see.

Dr. Jenkins introduced the new members of council and guests.

Dr. Goldberg, Dr. Greissing and Dr. Zeve discussed the Youngstown Board of Health in relationship to the recent closing of the VD Clinic. Following discussion, the motion was made by Dr. Wegner, and properly seconded, that the matter be referred to the Public Health Committee, with the recommendation that the VD Clinic be reopened pending final decision. Motion was passed.

Dr. Tandatnick reported concerning the Boardman proposed hospital. He stated that the lease on the land has been cancelled and that the money binding the lease was refunded.

Dr. Tandatnick introduced discussion concerning the Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association. Two letters from the Association were read. One asked for reaffirmation from the Mahoning County Medical Society. The second announced increased representation for providers, specifically that the Mahoning County Medical Society, having over 300 members, would be now entitled to 3 representatives on the MVHPA Board.

Dr. Wegner, chairman, reported that the Rubella Vaccine Program was under way and running smoothly, and that there were still openings for physician volunteers. There was some question concerning the new law requiring immunization of school children. Dr. Wegner will have correct information at the next meeting of council.

Dr. Jenkins announced that Dr. Edwards would be unable to come to Youngstown for a report on the medical school feasibility study.

Dr. Schreiber introduced discussion concerning the Congress of County Medical Societies, which represents physicians in private practice. He made the motion, properly seconded, that the Mahoning County Medical Society become a member of the Congress of County Medical Societies, at a cost of \$100, for a one-year period, so that members will receive the magazine, "Private Practice." Motion was passed.

Dr. Schreiber, reporting for the Canfield Fair Committee, made a motion that the Mahoning County Medical Society not sponsor a health tent for 1970. Motion was seconded and passed.

At the request of Dr. Gaylord, Dr. Jenkins announced that his goals for the year would be an accent on rehabilitation, that he would expect the society to study local problems through local committees, and that he would attempt to conduct short council meetings.

Dr. Anderson, chairman, reported that the Child Learning Committee had met and was engaged in a program of fact-finding.

Discussion ensued concerning election procedure. The motion was made by Dr. Tandatnick, and properly seconded, that the announced list of nominees at the December meeting should include all nominees, and that the nominating committee report be deleted from the December information sheet. Motion was passed. A motion was made by Dr. Wegner, and properly seconded, that the Constitution Committee consider changes to provide for mail ballots in December, and closing nominations after the November meeting. Motion was defeated.

Dr. Jenkins urged council attendance at the January 22 meeting, at which Dr. Annis is speaker, and at the January 24 dinner-dance.

Meeting was adjourned.

—Howard Rempes  
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## S. Q. LAYPIUS OBSERVES:

Many words have been published recently about the physician's responsibility in advising young people coming in for premarital examinations.

It has been implied that if the doctor does not explain about sex technique and contraception and do a complete physical examination he is shirking his duty. A recent article in the Ohio State Medical Journal said that young couples are too timid to ask, so it is the doctor's duty to bring up the subject and give advice.

That has not been my experience. In my practice I see a cross section of many groups. Most of them just want a blood test and get it over with. I think that pelvic and G-U examinations place an emphasis on sex which is not the only thing in marriage, by a long way.

If people wish advice they will ask for it. Freely proffered advice is worth just what it costs: nothing. Young people today are not too timid to ask what they wish to know.

I have been asked for advice very infrequently. I can remember the last time. A fine young man from one of my old families came in for his blood test before marriage. His fiancee was in another city. He said "Do you have any advice to give me for a successful marriage?"

I did not know his fiancee so I said: "Do you love her?"

"Oh yes, I love her very much."

"And does she love you?"

"Yes, she has told me so many times."

"Well then the next most important thing is money. When you wife needs money hand her your pocket book and let her take what she needs. When she gives it back, DON'T COUNT IT!"

Most marital problems are due to money, not sex. Of course there are other problems with relatives, religion, mental illness and bad luck.

But by and large most marriages succeed because marriage is the best possible approach to family life and is accepted in our society.

It is better to stay married and fight occasionally, than to get divorced.

The unmarried man who was a gay bachelor has a lonely old age. I pity him.

But the point I wish to make is that most premarital couples do not wish complete physical examinations. They have other pressing problems about the wedding and all they wish from you is to take the blood and sign the papers so they can get on with it.

If they have health problems or need advice they will ask you. Don't press them. The young people I know are not timid. They could give me some advice about sex.

After marriage come the problems. The old saying is "When a man's married his trouble begins!" Somebody forgot about the wife. When a woman's married she soon becomes the doctor's property. Well, maybe not right away in these days of the pill but sooner or later (sooner I hope for her sake) she will add to the birth statistics and keep the obstetrician, the pediatrician or the G.P. busy. Life goes on.

Successful, happy, enduring, rewarding marriage does not depend on what the doctor does at premarital examination. There are so many other important factors. Don't take yourself too seriously.

## NEW INTERN-RESIDENT MEMBERS

The following physicians have been accepted as Intern-resident members of the Mahoning County Medical Society:

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One of the finest tributes to be given to Dr. Smith at his death was an editorial in the Vindicator, January 5th, which called attention to his successful work with polio patients. The editorial went on to say, "Dr. Smith was a physician and healer first and a businessman second. He was generally as much aware of the patient's financial condition as he was the physical condition of the person he was treating. 'Let's see first,' he would tell a concerned patient, 'what we can do about getting you well.' He will be missed by the medical fraternity and by the countless sufferers who were healed both by his tenderness and his skill as a physician."

Dr. Smith was born at Columbus, where he attended school, receiving his medical degree from Ohio State University in 1925. Following his internship at Mt. Carmel Hospital, Columbus, and a residency at Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, he came to Youngstown and opened an office for practice in the Home Savings and Loan Building in 1928.

He served as a Major in the Army Medical Corps in World War II. He was a member of the American Congress of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, the Youngstown Club, Youngstown Country Club and Youngstown Exchange Club. He was recently honored upon his retirement from the St. Elizabeth Hospital Staff.

In 1955, Dr. Smith was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society. He prepared himself for the job by being a Delegate or Alternate to the Ohio State Medical Association from 1936 to 1954.

He enjoyed fishing, bowling and golf. In recent years, he became an authority on Civil War history, collecting a large library of books and visiting and photographing a number of battlegrounds.

He is indeed missed by his colleagues, and countless patients are living testimony to his skill and dedication as a physician.

**SUPPORT THE MEDICAL SOCIETY FOUNDATION**

The Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation is open to receive contributions. Your tax-free donation, either as a direct gift or as a bequest, will serve two purposes. It will give financial help to a deserving medical student from this area, and it will encourage that student to return to this area to practice medicine. Checks should be made out to "Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation," and mailed to the Mahoning County Medical Society, 1005 Belmont Ave., Youngstown, Ohio 44504.

**BULLETIN BOARD**

Dr. A. K. Phillips has been elected president of the medical staff at St. Elizabeth Hospital succeeding Dr. Raymond J. Scheetz.

Dr. Kurt Wegner has been named pediatric director of the projected Diagnostic and Evaluation Clinic by the Mahoning County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Board. He will begin full-time duties in June.

Dr. Anthony N. Pannoza has been elected to the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine. He received notification in December.

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## DR. FINLEY NAMED GP PRESIDENT

Dr. James L. Finley, was recently elected president at the annual meeting of the Mahoning Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice.

Dr. H. P. McGregor was elected president-elect. Dr. Loren J. Zehr was elected secretary-treasurer. Dr. Robert R. Fisher, Dr. Paul Krupko and Dr. Finley were elected delegates to the Ohio Academy of General Practice. Dr. Joseph V. Newsome, Dr. Richard Roland and Dr. James N. Gordon, retiring president, were named alternate delegates.

Dr. G. E. DeCicco presented resolutions honoring three members who had passed on during the previous year: Dr. Sidney Franklin, Dr. L. H. Getty and Dr. Edward J. Reilly.

Dr. Harold Chevlen presented a discourse on the approaching examinations of the American Board of Family Practice. In other business, Howard Rempes was elected to Honorary Membership of the Academy.

**February 16**

R. W. Rummell

**February 17**

J. A. Altdoerffer

O. A. Turner

**February 20**

S. Yacono

**February 21**

N. B. Salistean

W. B. Dodgson

**February 22**

A. Riberi

**February 26**

J. R. Sofranec

E. M. Thomas

**February 27**

L. P. Alexander

**February 28**

J. S. Goldcamp

**March 5**

F. J. Gambrel



### Get Your Annual Check-up

**March 6**

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P. E. Longaker

**March 7**

E. DiIorio

**March 9**

A. N. Pannozzo

**March 10**

R. A. Brown

M. Szauter

N. G. Kastellorios

**March 12**

S. F. Petraglia

**March 13**

H. W. Haverland

**March 14**

J. R. Madison

**March 15**

B. J. Dreiling

J. Mersol

## MURAL ROOM SOON TO GO

The February 17th meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society will be the last one to be held at the Mural Room. The building will be closed to the public on March 1st, and vacated by April 1st. It will be demolished in order to make room for the new Vindicator facilities to be erected on the site.

The Medical Society has been holding regular meetings, council meetings and committee meetings at the Mural Room since 1960. The Medical Society extends best wishes to Milt Simon and Mrs. Helen Clarkson of the Mural Room staff, and thanks for many courtesies shown to us in the past.

The next Medical Society meeting will be the Medical-Legal Banquet, scheduled for the Voyager Motor Inn, Tuesday, March 17.

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Dr. William J. Flynn has been appointed to three national committees of the American Cancer Society. He will serve as chairman of the National Service Section, the medical and scientific executive committee and the clinical investigation review committee.

Dr. Albert B. Cinelli is now a Diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology, having been so honored in December.

Dr. Henry Ellison was elected president of the Adult Mental Health Clinic at a January meeting of that Board. Dr. Jose Solana was approved by the Board as a psychiatrist consultant and appointed medical director.

A number of physicians had a prominent part in the recent research grants given by the Eastern Ohio Chapter of the American Heart Association. At a meeting of the Association, Dr. William H. Bunn, Jr., announced the awards. Dr. James L. Smeltzer, president, spoke. Awards were received by Dr. Robert Bacani, Dr. S. S. Hussain and Dr. Hobuhisa Baba. Reports at the meeting were made by Dr. Elias T. Saadi, Dr. Edward Kessler, Dr. Bacani and Dr. Arthur V. Whittaker, filling in for his associate, Dr. James L. Calvin.

Dr. Arthur E. Rappoport recently spoke in Geneva, Switzerland and held a press conference in Hudicksvall, Sweden, concerning automated equipment at Youngstown Hospital Association laboratories.

Dr. Charles H. McGowen recently addressed his fellow members of the Youngstown Rotary Club on the subject of smoking and how to give it up. He also spoke at the American Cancer Society sponsored Smoking Withdrawal Clinic at Canfield. The clinic is co-sponsored by the Youngstown Council of Churches. Other doctors taking part in the six-week program are: Dr. Frank Inui, Dr. John Turner, Dr. Pat Haggerty and Dr. Winifred Liu.

## TOURISTS WILL SEE INDY TIME TRIALS

Those planning to attend the Eli Lilly Co. tour in May will see the last day of time trials at the Indianapolis Speedway. The tour is scheduled for arrival on Sunday, May 24 and a tour of the plant on the 25th and 26th.

The schedule calls for lunch at 1:00 on Sunday, with a bus leaving for the track at 2:30. Time trials will continue until 6:00 p.m.

For further information, call the Medical Society office, or contact Bob McGivern, the area Lilly representative.

## UPCOMING MEDICAL SOCIETY EVENTS

Although final preparations have not been made on every remaining program of the Mahoning County Medical Society for 1970, the dates are set and are presented here to encourage members to make arrangements to attend each meeting.

Tues., April 21: Cancer Month Speaker.

Tues., May 19: Intern-resident Program.

NO MEETING in June, July and August.

Thurs., Sept. 10: Annual outing with the Corydon Palmer Dental Society, Coalburg Lake. Dental Society is host this year. Annual baseball game is main feature.

Tues., Oct. 20: Arrangements not yet completed.

Tues., Nov. 17: Industrial Health Speaker: — Dr. Robert B. O'Connor, V.P., Personnel & Health Services, United States Steel Corp. Nomination of officers.

Tues., Dec. 15: Annual meeting. Election of officers.

In addition, other planned programs of the Medical Society include participation in the Austintown Fitch Tri-County Science Fair in March, the annual Scholarship Dinner scheduled for May 7th, and the annual Medical Assistants Dinner on November 5th.

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## THIRTY YEARS AGO — FEBRUARY 1940

President Poling said that medicine had made tremendous strides in the more recent decades. One of the strides noted in that issue of the *Bulletin* was the use of Sulfapyridine which was said to be replacing typed sera in the treatment of pneumonia. It seemed to work in all types of pneumococcus infection but produced severe gastric irritation.

Then there was the new four day cure of syphilis by intensive administration of an arsenical (Neocarsphenamine or Mapharsen) which treatment was available for selected cases in Columbus. Local physicians could obtain Neocarsphenamine and bismuth free from the local health department by filling out the proper forms. Until then, the average case took about two years to cure.

There was much enthusiasm about the new Hypertherm at St. Elizabeth's Hospital and Dr. Ivan Smith took a special course in Dayton on the use of the apparatus. It was especially valuable in C.N.S. lues and gonococcal arthritis, superseding fever therapy produced by malarial inoculation.

The Associated Hospital Service, not yet two years old, reported that in the past year hospital care had been provided for 2,329 persons. The Out-Patient Departments at the hospitals were re-opened after a lapse of six years. Ripley could use that one: "Believe It or Not" the free clinics were closed as a result of the Depression. It was not lack of funds but the fact that government took over the care of the indigent that caused their closing.

The Annual Banquet that year was quite an affair. We had the Musical Clowns, Ruth Autenreith's Orchestra, the President of the O.S.M.A. (the late Wm. Skipp), an outstanding speaker from New York and a magician. No wives though, and no dancing.

Men were men those days. No women in the barber shops, the bars or the Medical Society. Now they are everywhere and boy, do we like it!

## TWENTY YEARS AGO — FEBRUARY 1950

The Tuberculosis and Health Association started a mass chest X-ray survey of the adult population of Mahoning County. E. J. Reilly was President of the Association and Edwin Brody the Vice-President.

New members that month were: Paxton Lane Jones, Paul Fuzy, Jr., and Frederick Arthur Friedrich. Fred Schlecht opened a new office for the practice of surgery and Arnoldus Goudsmit opened his for the practice of internal medicine, both at 2218 Market St. James D. Miller liked the company and moved in there too.

At St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Donald Dockry and Robert Bruchs were surgical residents. New internes were James R. Sofranec, Henry Shorr and Lewis Gasser. J. F. Stotler was appointed Chief of Thoracic Surgery, J. K. Herald Chief of Proctology, J. B. Kupec Chief of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, and W. L. Mermis Chief of Allergy.

At Youngstown Hospital, James D. Gordon and Robert Parry were serving internships. Pathologists H. K. Giffen and Arthur Rappoport reported on 511 cases studied by the New Papanicolou method. Dr. Giffen stated that if the

recommended time of 30 minutes per slide were followed it would take 19 weeks to examine that amount of material. Dr. R. W. Rummell created a sensation when he announced that two women internes had been accepted for next July.

### TEN YEARS AGO — FEBRUARY 1960

President Schlecht wrote "Whether we like it or not physician-public relationship is replacing physician-patient relationship."

Arthur Rappoport was elected President of the Ohio Society of Pathology.

Our hospitals were greatly concerned about the prevalence of Staphylococccic Infection.

The Medical Service Foundation of Mahoning County distributed grants totalling \$6,300 to the AMEF, Youngstown University, both hospitals and the T. B. Sanitarium.

S. F. Gaylord was appointed to the Board of Directors of Youngstown Symphony. Dr. Gaylord is an accomplished pianist and made his debut playing selections on television.

The Society welcomed as new members Joseph G. Costantini, William D. Loeser, Arthur V. Whittaker and Angelo Riberi.

—J. L. F.

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