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From the Desk of the President

IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE

When our Founding Fathers framed the Constitution for a new nation, they created a *nearly* perfect document. It has endured as the fundamental law of our land for nearly two centuries after its adoption by the original thirteen colonies.

With a minimum of government intervention in the affairs of private enterprise, our nation grew and prospered probably far beyond the wildest dreams of these progenitors. To be sure, an occasional regulation or guide had to be initiated by our Federal Government, since it was constitutionally enjoined to regulate commerce between the states.

Acts such as the Sherman and Clayton laws to regulate trade and promote competition in our free enterprise system were deemed necessary. It was not, however, until the great depression of 1929 that the government began in earnest to regulate and erode away the rights of the states and its citizens.

With the election of a new President in 1932 many felt that "Happy Days" indeed would be here again. New innovative and, I might add, socialistic schemes were developed, ostensibly to halt the ravages of this severe depression. After one complete four year term with government solutions doing little or nothing to improve anything, our president was reelected to a second term. In spite of the four years of massive new laws and their committant slogans — CCC, N.R.A., RFC, WPA, etc. we were (by 1936) still deeply entrenched in the depression. Without doubt the names of three men stand out as making the most significant contributions to ending our economic debacle and promoting prosperity. These men obviously were Hitler, Mussolini, and Tojo.

We still delude ourselves and try to think of Franklin D. Roosevelt with all his schemes and laws as the man who saved our economy. At the present time we think that the omnipotent Federal Government, with its tentacles of laws and regulations that reach into every aspect of our life, will somehow guarantee us continued prosperity and growth.

Billions of dollars are wasted on the formulation, implementation and enforcement of our myriads of regulation. One of the greatest of these wasteful ogres seems to be the Federal Trade Commission. At the present time, private medicine is probably harrassed more by this commission than any other branch of the federal bureaucracy. With its overwhelming legal clout, will it bring about our professional downfall? It certainly is a possibility if we capitulate to them. Our only course whether it be a county or state medical society, a specialty society or the like—is defend our rights to the very hilt. The cost may seem very great now, but it is a pittance compared to the cost of giving up our individual right to practice medicine as we see fit.

—G. H. Dietz, M.D.
President



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Editorial

Many of our economic problems of this last decade in the United States could be solved if greater emphasis were placed on productivity. This should require the cooperation of labor, management and government, which has been lacking.

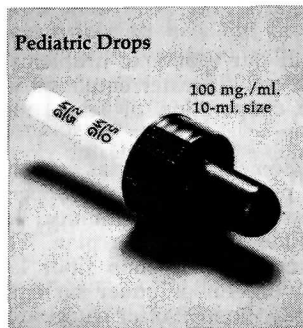
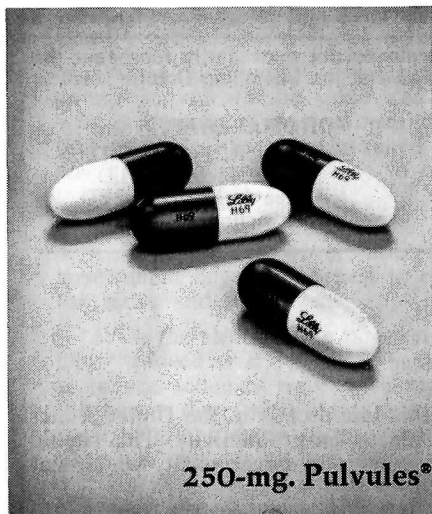
Japan comes to mind as an obvious example of an advanced society which has progressed with a cooperative attitude between the various segments of its business community. A part of the emphasis on productivity should include an incentive plan. This should call for worker participation in management at the shop floor level to reduce labor costs and increase job satisfaction. Labor under such plans should be motivated by a prospect of a monthly bonus, offer suggestions for improving productivity and reducing costs through a committee system.

A key to making such a plan work revolves around management's acceptance of the view that workers on the shop floor can help to improve production techniques. The employees should have the ability to influence the decisions in order to feel a part of the whole through their participation. Workers should be given an incentive to use their mental as well as their physical powers. In order to get the business operation more productive, you must have the help of everyone. Therefore it is imperative, in order to compete in the latter part of this century, that all business and industry cooperate in improving productivity.

This obviously has ramifications for the health care industry which do not require any further elucidation.

—Dean J. Limbert, M.D.
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CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION UPDATE

Triennial Relicensure

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CME Requirement — 150 Hours

"With the January 1980 and all subsequent applications, the applicant shall include satisfactory evidence to the board that in the preceding 3 years the practitioner has completed 150 hours of CME certified by the OSMA and approved by the board . . ." (At least 60 credits of the 150 must be earned in Category 1. There is a limit of 90 credits for work in Category 2.)

Physicians Licensed in 1977

CME requirements are "100 hours for those licensed between 1/1/77 and 12/31/77. At least 40 hours of CME must be earned in Category 1 although the total 100 hours may be earned in Category 1. There is a limit of 60 hours for a CME activity falling within Category 2."

Physicians Licensed in 1978

CME requirements are "50 hours for those licensed between 1/1/78 and 12/31/78. At least 20 hours of CME must be earned in Category 1, although the total 50 hours may be earned in Category 1. There is a limit of 30 hours for CME activities falling within Category 2."

Physicians Licensed in 1979

CME requirements are "25 hours for those licensed between 1/1/79 and 4/30/79. At least 10 hours of CME must be earned in Category 1, although the total 25 hours may be earned in Category 1. There is a limit of 15 hours for CME falling within Category 2.

"Zero hours (are required) for those licensed between 5/1/79 and 12/31/78."

Intern, Resident, Fellowship Credit

"50 hours of Category 1 credit may be claimed for each full year of internship, residency or fellowship training taken in a program approved by LCCME (Liaison Committee on Continuing Medical Education.)"

SOURCE: AMA Continuing Medical Education Fact Sheet, June 1, 1978

27 YEARS AT THE FAIR

The twenty-seventh consecutive combined exhibits of allied medical professions and volunteer health agencies was sponsored by the Mahoning County Medical Society at the 1978 Canfield Fair.

The Medical-Health Building, which is thought to be the only one of its kind at any Fair in the entire country, drew record crowds as the Fair set a new record of over a half-million visitors.

As a special attraction, the Canfield Fair committee decided to display, once again, the ever popular "Life Begins" exhibit of the American Medical Association. Other outstanding exhibits were produced by the three hospitals, the dental, pharmaceutical and nurses associations. All of the exhibitors took great pains to present professional-looking displays with the result that the Medical-Health Building was more attractive than ever before.

Mr. Gilbert James managed the building for the Fair Board. The Canfield Fair Committee consists of Dr. Jack Schreiber, chairman, Dr. F. A. Resch and Dr. F. A. Friedrich.

370 AT MEDICAL ASSISTANTS DINNER

The 21st annual Medical Assistants Dinner, held Thursday, Oct. 5 at Sokol Center, was attended by 370 persons. Dr. Earnest Perry, chairman for the affair was master of ceremonies. Forty lucky girls went home with door prizes, which included a gold coin ring as first prize. Another 25 received elaborate candle centerpieces, and all 370 received the colorful and amusing "frustration pencil" favors.

Dr. George Dietz welcomed the girls on behalf of the doctors, and Betty Ann Perschka, president of the Mahoning Medical Assistants Society replied for the girls. The dinner was enlivened by the music of Frank Gentile, and a general good time was enjoyed by all.

NEWS NOTES

Dr. Raymond S. Lupse was elected to the board of trustees of the Ohio Division of the American Cancer Society. He will represent 6 counties in northeast Ohio. Dr. Tahir Firdaus has been certified by the American Board of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery.

Dr. H. L. Khanna and Dr. A. G. Garg have been appointed to the Congress of Neurological Surgeons. Recent recipients of the Ohio State Medical Association Physician's Recognition Award are: Dr. Thomas F. Barrett, Dr. Robert J. Brocker, Dr. Raymond N. Catoline, Dr. Arthur T. Laird and Dr. Isadore Mendel.

Dr. Harold Chevlen and Dr. David H. Levy completed CME requirements for the American Academy of Family Physicians.

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DR. DIETZ QUOTED BY AMA

Dr. Dietz' president's page, which appeared in our April *Bulletin* was reprinted in its entirety in the August 18th issue of the *American Medical News*. The article, which Dr. Dietz titled "Who Speaks for the Practicing Physicians?", defended the AMA as the one potent force capable of standing up for all doctors.

An earlier article by Dr. Dietz was reprinted by the Ohio State Medical Association and circulated as part of the OSMAgram.

BIRTHDAY TRIVIA

The oldest member of the Mahoning County Medical Society was born in 1891. The youngest member (not including interns or residents) was born in 1949. The four oldest members are all retired, but the fifth oldest, born in 1897, is still in active practice.

Over a 20-year period of record-keeping, the most popular birth dates of MCMS physicians have been June 4 and Sept. 5. In each case, six doctors claim one of these dates as their birthday. Surprisingly, over the same 20-year period, there are 68 days of the calendar which no member has listed as a birthday. This includes Nov. 13th, the birth date of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

The most popular month for birthdays proves to be June. The months with the least number of doctor birthdays are August and October. Birthday greetings are listed each month in the *Bulletin*. Watch for your's and your friends'.



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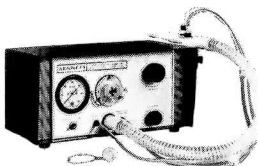
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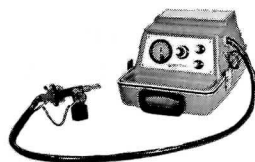


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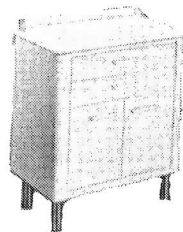
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In Memoriam

JOHN N. McCANN, M.D.**1903 - 1978**

Dr. John N. McCann, 74, died on Wednesday, Sept. 27, of injuries sustained earlier in an automobile accident.

Dr. McCann was born in Youngstown, where he attended St. Columba School and The Rayen School. He obtained his undergraduate and medical training at Georgetown University, graduating in 1927. He took post graduate work at Harvard University and the University of Michigan. He interned at the Providence Hospital and then was resident in Orthopedics at Johns Hopkins Hospital. He came to Youngstown and opened an office in the 2700 block of Mahoning Ave., maintaining it there for his entire medical career.

Dr. McCann immediately entered into community service, which was to expand into many fields. He was a trustee of the TB Sanatorium and guided it over years that saw it become a first rate facility. For 25 years he was a trustee of the YMCA, where he was an active handball enthusiast, and was chairman of its Educational Committee.

He served three 7-year terms, 1945-1966 on the Ohio State Medical Board, and was president of that Board as well as president of the Federation of State Medical Boards.

He was on the Board of Trustees of Youngstown College, of Youngstown University, and Chairman of the Board when the university became Youngstown State University. In 1976, YSU awarded Dr. McCann the honorary degree of Doctor of Medical Arts. He was also Chairman of the Board of Youngstown Education Foundation.

Serving on the staff of St. Elizabeth Hospital, he was chief of medical service and a member of the executive committee. In 1949 he was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society. He was also a delegate to the Ohio State Medical Association.

In 1958 he was awarded the Frank M. Purnell Award for outstanding contributions to Youngstown. He was on the Board of Trustees of the Youngstown Community Corporation (United Appeal), and was a director at the Dollar Savings and Trust Co. and the John D. Finnegan Foundation.

In the days of the Esther Hamilton Alias Santa Claus Show he was one of the select few chosen to be candy butchers.

Dr. McCann was always physician to the Bishops, and accompanied Bishop McFadden on his official visit to Rome.

His dedication to his patients, to his profession and to his Medical Society were strong characteristics, well known to all who were privileged to know him.

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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL**Sept. 11, 1978**

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Monday, Sept. 11, 1978 at the Youngstown Club.

Dr. Pichette reminded members of the Sixth District meeting to be held on Oct. 3 at Youngstown Country Club. Discussion ensued concerning the osteopathic degree resolution which had been referred to the Council of OSMA. Dr. Pichette will check on this at the next OSMA Council meeting.

At this point, the following guests entered the meeting: Dr. J. L. Finley, Gene Benson and Mr. Lane and Son of the Lane Ambulance Company. They asked for a committee from the Medical Society to help set up guidelines for standing orders for paramedics on ambulance crews. Following discussion and answers to questions they left the meeting.

The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the Mahoning County Medical Society appoint a committee of four, to consist of the heads of the emergency rooms and the hospital medical directors, with Dr. Finley and Dr. Cossette to be co-chairmen, which then might select a larger committee of appropriate specialties for the purpose of drawing up guidelines for ambulance paramedics and to report back to Council, and, further, that the original committee consist of Mahoning County Medical Society members.

Dr. Perry, chairman, reported on the progress of the Medical Assistants Dinner, scheduled for Oct. 5, and encouraged all members to send all of their girls.

A report from the Canfield Fair Committee stated that the Medical-Health Building looked better than ever and attracted large crowds.

Dr. Anderson introduced the following resolution, which was moved, seconded, amended, and duly passed:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED: That each year, at the annual meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society nominating committee, a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society will be selected by majority vote of the committee, with the advice and consent of Council, to be designated as Mahoning County Physician of the Year, and be it further

RESOLVED: That this physician be chosen as the one who has contributed the most to the community during the past year. The contribution may or may not be in the field of medicine. And be it further

RESOLVED: That the member so designated as Mahoning County Physician of the Year be honored at the December meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society with a suitable plaque and resolution, and be it further

RESOLVED: That, at an appropriate time preceding the meeting of the nominating committee, a letter be sent to each member of the Mahoning County Medical Society requesting suggestions with documentation as to which member shall receive this award.

Dr. Dietz announced that the Old Fashioned Medical Society meeting would be on Sept. 19 at the Youngstown Maennerchor, and encouraged attendance.

Dr. Anderson reported a request from the Mahoning County Board of Health for a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society to serve on the Board. He requested that anyone interested contact him.

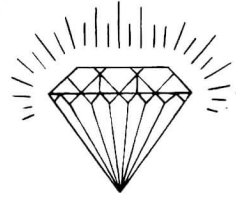
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Dr. Perrin Long addressed the Society on "The Use of Sulfanilamide". It was a new antibiotic with side effects. Sodium Bicarbonate and an adequate amount of fluid had to be given with it.

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 Wenaas contributed an article on "Allergic Conjunctivitis" and A. Marinelli one on "The Acute Abdomen in Children and Infants". John J. 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.

THIRTY 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.

TWENTY 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.

TEN YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1968

The Youngstown Board of Health was looking for a City Health Commissioner, a post vacated by Dr. Sidney Franklin. The applicants were very few. Dr. John McDonough had arranged for another Art Exhibit at the Mahoning County Courthouse to raise money for the Hospital Ship "S.S. Hope". S. Q. Laypius observed, "The PDR is very helpful, but you never know what a drug is like until you take it yourself . . . Take some tranquilizers you so blithely prescribe for your patients and see how dopey you get."

Dr. John Bleacher was named City School Physician, replacing Dr. E. R. Thomas who retired after 28 years of service to the City Schools. Dr. Sanford Gaylord was Chairman of "Diabetes Week."

Mr. Lloyd T. Stillson and Donahay Agency made the Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation beneficiary to a life insurance on his own life. As of this writing, he is retired, but very much alive.

—Robert R. Fisher, M.D.

FOUNDATION MAKES 3 LOANS

The Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation made three loans to medical students after considering applications at a July meeting.

Recipients of \$750 loans are: David E. Bacho and Lynne M. Evans, both of Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and Theodore Spritos of Ohio State.

At the July meeting, Dr. R. B. McConnell was elected chairman for the coming year. Other members of the appointing committee are Drs. S. F. Gaylord, J. C. Melnick, M. C. Raupple, M. S. Rosenblum and J. B. Werning. Dr. Dietz, as president, is also a member of the committee.

MEDICAL ASSISTANTS WORKSHOP IN NOV.

Members of the Mahoning County Medical Assistants Society are holding their annual Workshop at Ramada Inn, Belmont Ave., Sunday, Nov. 12. Sessions begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m.

Each person attending will receive a certificate of Continuing Education Attendance.

Those interested may contact Mrs. Josephine Sammartino, 159 Brooklyn Ave., Youngstown 44507, phone 782-9876. The public is invited.

—Josephine Sammartino,
Education Chairman

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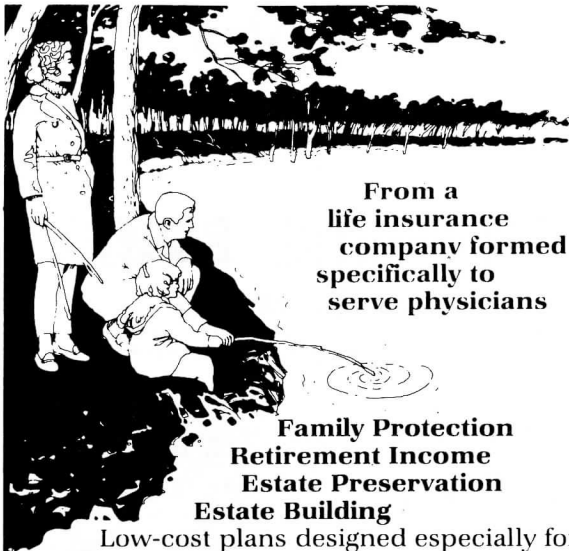
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