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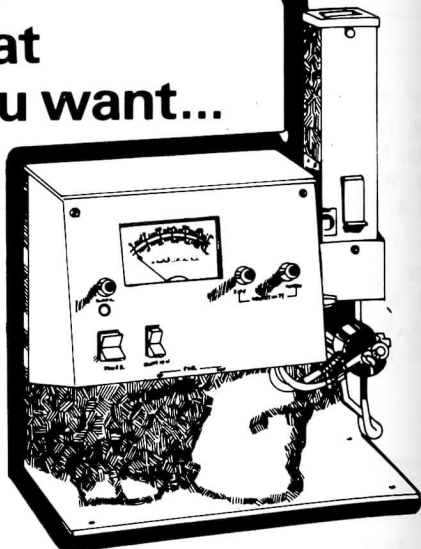
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Editorial

PHYSICIAN MANPOWER

From Flexner Report in 1910 up until second Carnegie report in 1976, nearly all physician manpower studies indicated that there would be a severe shortage of physicians in the near future and called for swelling the number of physicians by increasing class enrollment in existing medical colleges and building more medical schools.

Abruptly in October of 1978 the secretary of HEW, then Joseph A. Califano, Jr., claimed that within the next 10 years there would be a severe oversupply of licensed physicians.

There are many important variables that make projections of future physician requirements in imprecise calculation. The variables include estimates of population growth and structure—the very young and old will need more health care than the rest of the population. Epidemiology of disease and trauma will differ from decade to decade, and new diagnostic and therapeutic technology and many other innovations will alter the nature of medical service. Health care delivery systems, physician's working load, more women choosing medicine as a career will also be factors. The utilization of allied health personnel will alter physician needs. As society becomes more sophisticated and medical technology advances, the definition of optimal clinical care will alter. More important is the public willingness to allocate a larger fraction of their limited resources to health care. The extent of each of those variables and many others will have an unpredictable effect on future manpower planning.

Accessibility of the physician is the most critical issue from the perspective of the public. A large majority of ill patients can be cured by a well educated generalist who can also secure access to more sophisticated specialties and institutional care. Maldistribution is the major cause of inaccessibility of physicians in many areas of our society. This problem is world wide, and past experience has taught us increased supply would not correct maldistribution. The general excess of physicians does not "spill over" to area of need.

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Editorial (Continued from Page 187)

Other factors having an enormous effect on the health status of the nation include poverty, malnutrition, unemployment, 'self-abuse' life style, and others. The distribution and number of physicians would have negligible influence on these problems which affect health. For example, South Dakota has the lowest physician / population ratio; nevertheless its residents have the longest life span amongst all of the states.

Within the last few years, the medical profession has turned more attention to the production of more primary care physicians. The effect of this effort will show up in the next few years. The national Health Service Corporation has success, through its scholarship program, in placing physicians in areas of shortage. There are areas where physicians will not settle because there are not enough inhabitants to support a physician. The solution lies in better transportation. It is also apparent that few primary care physicians will reside and work in inner city locations because of the environment and the fear of violence. The responsibility lies in society to change this rule of terror, and not for the physician alone.

What is the harm of having an excess of physicians? According to Mr. Califano each physician during his or her 40 years of professional life will generate 12 million dollars in health care expenditure. Unfortunately, the public will eventually bear the cost, irrespective of who has made the miscalculation in planning.

—H. S. Michael Wang, M.D.
Editor

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P. H. Huang
A. S. Nagpaul

Jan. 13
Y. V. Ginde

Jan. 15
S. K. Seth

ELECTION IN DECEMBER

Election of officers for 1980 will be held at the December meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 18 at the Youngstown Club. Following is a list of the candidates nominated by the membership at the November meeting. Several other members received nominating votes, but declined the honor.

For president: Dr. B. P. Brucoli

For vice president: Dr. D. J. Dallis

For secretary: Dr. H. M. Wang

For delegate to OSMA: Dr. J. J. Anderson

For alternate delegate (two to elect): Dr. A. T. Deramo,
Dr. J. W. Tandatnick

For council member (four to elect): Dr. A. G. Garg, Dr. J. S. Gregori,
Dr. Gerald Klebanoff, Dr. J. A. Lambert

For Trustee of MCMS Foundation (two to elect): Dr. S. F. Gaylord,
Dr. S. V. Squicquero

For Representative to Blue Cross: Dr. W. E. Sovik

Additional nominations for all offices may be made from the floor at the December meeting. At that meeting, nominations may be seconded.

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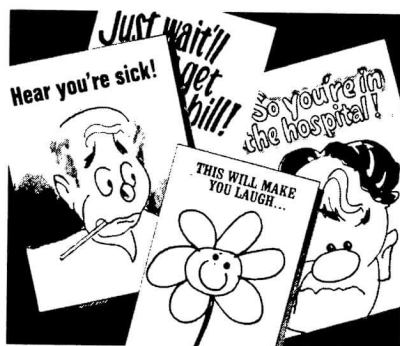
The Medical-Dental tour to China, mentioned in the last issue of the *Bulletin*, still has 10 reservations available. Departure date is Sept. 17, 1980. Return date is Oct. 9, with 17 days in China and 3 days in Hong Kong. For further information, call Dr. Harold Chevlen. Reservations must be made prior to Jan. 1, 1980.

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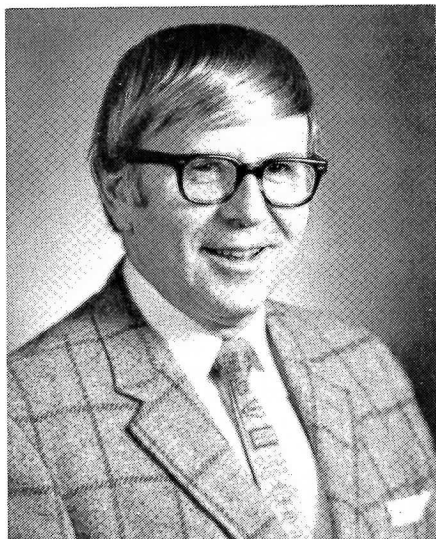


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DOCTOR OF THE YEAR 1979



RICHARD D. MURRAY, M.D.

The second annual "Doctor of the Year" award will be presented to Dr. Richard D. Murray at the Dec. 18th meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

Dr. Murray was cited for his outstanding contributions to the community. He has made two gifts of sculpture, which he designed and executed: "The Four Seasons" in limestone, given to Mill Creek Park; Three limestone sculptures given to the Youngstown Symphony Society; Four murals given to the Symphony; The Nutcracker production given to the Youngstown Ballet Guild and the Symphony Society. He started the Manhattan Festival Ballet of Youngstown. He is a past president of both the Symphony and the Ballet and has made many contributions to their evolution and development here in Youngstown. He has given a painting to the American College of Surgeons in Chicago, based on the socialization of medical practice. He has carried the Youngstown name around the world while serving as visiting professor for various times at the University of Hong Kong, Santo Tomas in Manila and the University of Teheran. For six years he donated a month a year to the Hospital of Our Lady of Maryknoll, working on Chinese refugees in Hong Kong. He has had several books published including "The Rise and Fall of The State," and "The Key to Nostradamus." Who can forget the grand opening of his building, "Medart" on Glenwood Avenue, with the Youngstown Symphony and fireworks! Dr. J. L. Fisher, at the time, called him one of our most colorful doctors.

NEWS NOTES

Dr. William J. Flynn received the 1979 National Volunteer Leadership award from the American Cancer Society.

Dr. Morris S. Rosenblum is one of two who received the "Justice Louis D. Brandeis Award" and the "Kfar Silver Scholarship Plaque" at the 22nd annual Kfar Silver Scholarship program at Rodef Sholom Temple.

Dr. John J. McDonough was one of two art patrons receiving awards from the Ohio Arts Council at Columbus.

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JOSEPH PAUL HARVEY, M.D.

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Dr. Joseph Paul Harvey, 87, died on Wednesday, Nov. 21, of a heart ailment at Youngstown Hospital Association's South Unit, where he had been a patient for a week.

Dr. Harvey was born in Delmont, Pa. He received his B.A. degree in 1914 and his M.D. degree in 1918, both from the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Harvey interned at Mercy Hospital Medical Center, Pittsburgh, from 1918 to 1921. At that time he came to Youngstown to practice industrial medicine. Later he became associated with Dr. R. M. Morrison, and in 1923, established his own practice in association with Dr. Morrison, Dr. John Lindsay and Dr. W. B. Turner.

He took an interest in organized medicine, and, as secretary, from 1926 to 1930, he edited a monthly newsletter which was the precursor of the *Bulletin*. For this he was honored by the Society with the presentation of a special plaque in 1975.

In 1933, he was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society and devoted much time in establishing postgraduate courses.

He was a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, and a founding member of the Ohio Chapter. He was a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and a member of the American Heart Association.

Dr. Harvey was interested in the arts, and made several paintings of the steel mills, one of which won first prize at an AMA physicians' competition. Also, he had a story published in the *Saturday Evening Post* in 1953.

The Ohio State Medical Association presented him the fifty-year award in 1969.

He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, and had received the Silver Beaver Award for service to the Boy Scouts. He belonged to the Youngstown Rotary Club, Sulgrave Masonic Lodge, Al Koran Shrine, the Youngstown Country Club and the Tin Whistle Golf Club at Pinehurst, N.C. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Harvey retired in 1972. As long as his health permitted, he made frequent visits to the hospital, where he mingled with old friends, and was often seen in conversation with his special friend, Dr. C. A. Gustafson.

MORE NEOUCOM APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Robert A. Wiltsie and W. Robert Kennedy, Ph.D. have been appointed associate deans for clinical sciences at Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine.

Other appointments from Mahoning County include: Janice M. Flaherty, M.D., Asst. Prof., Family Medicine; Leonard P. Caccamo, M.D., Chatchai Watanakunakorn, M.D., Professors, and John Politis, M.D., Asst. Prof., Internal Medicine. Grajo A. Galerius, M.D., Asst. Prof., Radiology.

Surgery: Angelo Riberi, M.D., Prof.; Asst. Profs., Narendra Badjati, M.D., Tahir Firdaus, M.D., Louis Bloomberg, M.D., Albert B. Cinelli, M.D., Patrick D'Amato, M.D., Kong Tatt Oh, M.B.B.S., Robert R. Rich, M.D., F.A.C.S., Fredrick L. Schellhase, M.D., Robert L. Tornello, M.D. and Carl F. Wieneke, M.D. Instructors: Musbah A. Salti, M.D. and Mohammed Masry, M.D. Clinical Assoc. Prof., George B. Pugh, M.D. Clinical Asst. Prof., Asher Z. Rabinowitz, M.D.

WE ARE 107

The Mahoning County Medical Society observed its 107th birthday on November 13th. The first meeting was held on that date in 1872.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

November, 13, 1979

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1979 at the Youngstown Club.

The following applications for membership were presented by the censors:

ACTIVE: A. Gary Bitonte, M.D.
 Eledath U. Krishnan, M.B.B.S.
 Karipineni R. Prasad, M.B.B.S.

ASSOCIATE: Alejandro A. Franco, M.D.
 Gurbilash Nagpaul, M.B.B.S.

The applications were approved. The applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society 15 days after publication in the *Bulletin*, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary before that time.

The following applications were not signed by the censors because of minor discrepancies (such as one of the sponsors being an associate rather than an active member). Therefore, they were approved tentatively provided that the discrepancies were corrected:

ASSOCIATE: Anthony A. Conte, M.D.
 Arthur M. Friedman, D.O.
 Douglas M. Goldsmith, D.O.
 Marshall Estus Lowry, D.O.

The applications, having been approved tentatively; the applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary 15 days after publication in the *Bulletin*, it being understood that the applications are corrected.

Dr. Finley and his guest, Bill Brown of Youngstown State University, presented more of the Mahoning Valley Paramedic Program. The 4-page presentation concerned standing orders for Arrhythmia Treatment. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the report be approved.

A letter from Gluck Insurance Agency contained an article concerning continuation of the JUA (Joint Underwriting Authority) for information. Dr. Anderson will discuss it at the OSMA legislative meeting to be held tomorrow (Nov. 14th).

Dr. Kiskaddon discussed the Oct. 17th meeting of the HSA.

Dr. Anderson reported on the progress of the lawsuit. He stated that the promised letter to the entire membership had been mailed.

Dr. Dietz reported on the nominations made at the Nov. 10th meeting of the Medical Society. He also reported that Dr. Richard D. Murray had been selected as Doctor of the Year for 1979.

Dr. Anderson reported on the Sixth District meeting, held in Warren on Wednesday, Oct. 17. He reported that Dr. Thomas, OSMA president was present along with several members of the OSMA staff. Principal items of business included proposed changes in the AMA Code of Ethics, the report of the AMA long-range planning council, and the establishment of a national legal defense fund for physicians.

Dr. Chiu announced that the ad hoc committee to find a new executive secretary would consist of himself, as chairman, Dr. Brucoli, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Dallis and Mr. Rempes.

Dr. Chiu announced that the elections would be held at the Dec. 18th meeting, and that Dr. Joseph Yut, Sixth District Councilor, would be present to make 50 year pin awards. Also, Mrs. Diane Villers of the OSMA staff will speak briefly on reporting communicable diseases.



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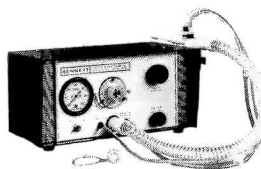
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FORTY YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1939

In 1939 the Medical Society had a good year. The financial report showed a net profit of \$196.11 from the *Bulletin*. There was a profit of \$46.33 from the Annual Banquet, \$407.83 from Post Graduate Day and \$187.05 from the lecture course. The Society purchased \$1,500.00 of Government Bonds and ended the year with a surplus of \$12,484.00.

Annual dues were twenty dollars of which five went to the O.S.M.A.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1949

There were 240 active members, 2 Associate, 7 Intern, 11 Non-resident and 10 Honorary.

Those days Staff meetings were held once a month. Someone read a paper or a group gave a symposium, memorial resolutions were presented for departed members, some current business was transacted and everyone went home.

Medical Society meetings now have to compete with very good programs in the hospitals. It is difficult to offer a scientific program with general appeal. A speaker on Diabetes may not attract the orthopedist, the dermatologist, or the psychiatrist even though the disease affects every organ in the human body. Consequently, attendance is falling off. A recent meeting to consider changes in the Constitution had to be adjourned because there was not a quorum present.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1959

President Neidus expressed pride in our Executive Secretary, Howard Rempes and well he should. He made special mention of Drs. Schreiber, Kiskaddon, McGregor, Randell and Shensa for their notable contributions during the year.

R. M. Kiskaddon published a thorough and informative report from his "Committee on Aging." Some of the things recommended are now being done.

O.S.M.A. dues were raised \$5.00 for the coming year. Council voted to absorb the raise so our dues would remain the same — \$125.00 for M.C.M.S., O.S.M.A., and A.M.A.

Fifty year service pins were awarded to F. J. Bierkamp, E. Henry Jones, Robert G. Mossman and Walter B. Turner.

Andy Detesco opened his new office building on Market St. James Patrick and Robert Tornello moved in to share the place.

Dr. and Mrs. Joe Compolito welcomed a baby boy to share affection with their two daughters.

Bamadex was new from Lederle and Percodan from Endo. Isaly's recommended Yoghurt for the intestinal side effects of some antibiotics. Lyons was down at 32 Fifth Avenue.

O'Linn's Pharmacy was in the Bus Arcade and Blair's Cleaners out on Glenwood. Brown's was on Central Square. They are gone now. Central Tower had empty space for doctors. Downtown Youngstown was on the downgrade.

TEN YEARS AGO — DECEMBER 1969

Outgoing President Joseph Tandatnik took a last lick at Socialized Medicine. His October Editorial was reprinted verbatim in "American Medical News" of November 24, 1969. Outgoing Editor D. J. Dallis was cheered by the moon walk, but discouraged by attendance at MCMS meetings. The President-Elect was J. F. Stotler and the new Secretary-Elect, Dr. Henry Holden.

New active members that month were Dr. Ronald Roth and Dr. Robert Gilliland. Dr. Walter Greissing was appointed the new City Health Commissioner. Dr. Henry Sisek passed away.

Four members were voted into Honorary Membership. They were Dr. J. M. Benko, Dr. W. S. Curtis, Dr. P. H. Fuscoe and Dr. H. E. Hathhorn.

—R. R. Fisher, M.D.

PHOTOGRAPHERS! WHERE ARE YOU?

During the past year, the *Bulletin* brightened its cover by the use of a different picture on each issue. It was hoped that all of the pictures used would come from members of the Medical Society who are photographers—but it didn't work out that way. It wasn't until the November issue that a photo taken by a one of a member's family was submitted, and that was the splendid horse photo taken by Dr. Anderson's daughter, Laura.

Perhaps the rules were too stringent. The *Bulletin* staff had stipulated that photos should be taken of Mahoning County scenes, with the idea of recording some of the beauty spots, along with street scenes, buildings and historical markers in our own area. Perhaps the condition of locale should be abolished.

Another limiting rule was that black and white prints were preferred over color prints, and that color slides could not be used. Whereas, today, most people take color slides, if not color prints.

Whether the *Bulletin* will continue to use photographic covers, or go back to the repetitious covers used in the past will depend on the Society's photographers. Like to see your photos in print? Send them in to the Medical Society office. Any reasonable photo (not a portrait) is acceptable. Call the Medical Society office for more information.

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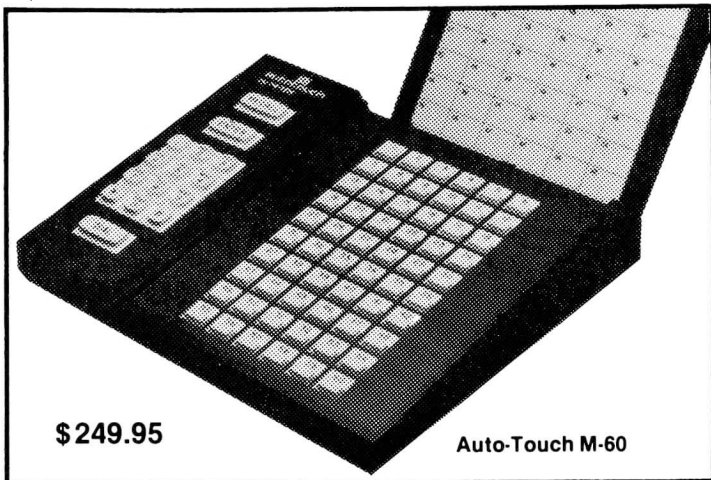
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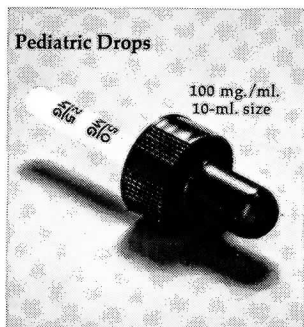
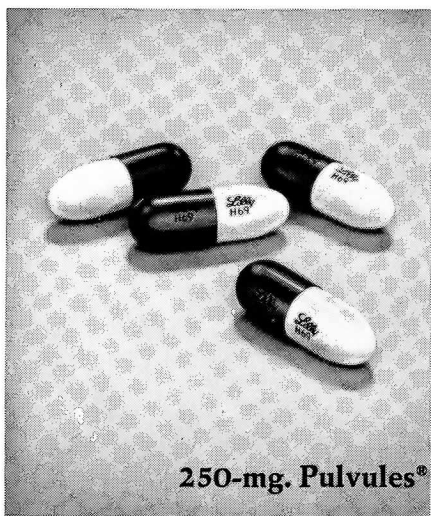
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