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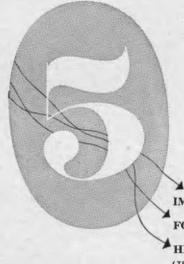
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lst Tuesday	Monthly Staff meeting, Youngstown Hospital Auditorium— Nurses' Home
8:30 p.m.	Monthly Staff meeting, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing
Sunday following 1st Tuesday 11:00 a.m.	Monthly Surgical Conference, St. Elizabeth's Hospital Library
2nd Monday 9:00 p.m.	Council Meeting—Mahoning County Medical Society—Office of the Society—Schween-Wagner Bldg.
2nd Tuesday 11:30 a.m.	Monthly Medical Conference, Youngstown Hospital Auditorium—Nurses' Home
8:30 p.m.	Monthly Staff Meeting—Youngstown Receiving Hospital Auditorium
3rd Tuesday 8:30 p.m.	Monthly Meeting—Mahoning County Medical Society—Hotel Pick-Ohio.
4th Tuesday 8:30 p.m.	Monthly Staff Meeting—Tuberculosis Sanitarium, Kirk Road
Every Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	Weekly Medical Conference, St. Elizabeth's Hospita Solarium
Every Tuesday 11:00 a.m.	Orthopedic Conference, St. Elizabeth's Hospital Library
Every Thursday 12:30 p.m.	Orthopedic Section, Library—South Side Unit, Youngstown Hospital
	Weekly Surgical Conference, Youngstown Hospital— Nurses' Home
Every Friday 11:00 a.m.	Urological Section, Library—S. Side Unit, Youngstown Hospital
	Clinico-Pathological Conference, St. Elizabeth's Hospital Library
Every Friday 11:30 a.m.	Clinic—Pathology Conference, Auditorium Nurses' Home South Side Unit Youngstown Hospital
Alt. Saturdays	Obstetrical Section—North Side Unit of Youngstown Hospital

#### **COMING MEETINGS**

American Medical Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, June 21-25, 1948.

Sixth Councilor District Post Graduate Assembly, Akron, October 13, 1948.

### PRESIDENT'S PACE

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Mahoning County has a long history of industrial and humane pioneering. Eight years ago the local Alcoholics Anonymous was formed and began their excellent work in this area. In March, 1946, a small private hospital was opened at 145 Lincoln Avenue and after a successful trial was taken over by the local committee for education on alcoholism in October, 1947. This hospital has been approved by the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society and the professional service is under the guidance of a group of local physicians. In a recent issue of "Parade" the local organization received much deserved publicity and all became cognizant of the fact that this hospital is the only one of its kind in the country run by local subscription for non-profit with the cooperation of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Realizing that the general public needs education on this subject, a special meeting was held in Columbus, Ohio, two months ago under the auspices of the various departments of the State. Again our local Alcoholics Anonymous showed that it has the only committee for education on alcoholism which has accomplished a liaison between its hospital and Alcoholics Anonymous Headquarters. Such a liaison makes a definite advance in solving an important national problem.

The medical profession is realizing that there are definite scientific problems in alcoholism which need to be studied. This need has prompted our Society to invite Dr. Howard W. Haggard, Chief of the Laboratory of Applied Physiology, Yale University, to speak at our regular meeting this month. The Women's Auxiliary of the Mahoning County Medical Society has been invited to be our guests at this meeting. Dr. Haggard is a national authority on the subject and will speak in the Ball Room, Hotel Pick-Ohio, Tuesday evening, June 15, 1948, at eight-thirty o'clock, on the subject: "Alcoholism as a Medical Problem." This will be a scientific discussion for the doctors and their wives on a rather new field of scientific research.

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#### MEDICAL SERVICE FOUNDATION, INC.

Final plans for the incorporation for the Medical Service Foundation of the Mahoning County were made at a dinner meeting at the Youngstown Club on May 25th. These plans represent the culmination of many months of work on the part of Dr. E. J. Reilly and his committee. The incorporation papers have now been completed and sent to Columbus. There still remain many details to be worked out before this foundation is in full operation. Further information on the operation of this plan will appear in the next issue of the Bulletin.

The corporation is founded for the purpose of advancing the contribution of the medical profession to the cause of public health; affording facilities for medical research and education which otherwise might not be available; improving the guidance and training afforded to the interns in the several hospitals in the county; offering aid in the education and training of the nursing profession; enhancing the standing and dignity of the medical profession; and seeking to improve the relation between physician and patient and the care and service afforded to the latter; all with particular reference to Mahoning County, Ohio.

The foundation will be directed by a board of trustees which include: Drs. F. S. Coombs, C. A. Gustafson, J. K. Herald, G. M. McKelvey, C. G. Nelson, E. J. Reilly, W. M. Skipp, I. C. Smith, E. J. Wenaas, Mrs. John W. Ford, H. W. Jones, Bishop A. McFadden, William F. Maag, Jr., Charles G.\_Nichols, Carl W. Ullman. Dr. Noll as president and Dr. L. H. Getty as chairman of the committee on indigent relief, will serve ex-officio. Attorney Franklin B. Powers is counsel.



# Isaly's Exhibits Again at Post-Graduate Day Assembly

Through the courtesy of the Mahoning County Medical Society, the Isaly Dairy Co., for many years has been privileged to display its milk and other dairy products at Post Graduate Day Assemblies. Isaly's has welcomed and enjoyed this contact with members of the Medical Profession and the opportunity it affords annually to explain the quality and safety of these highly essential foods. Medical men, in turn, are always welcome at Isaly's.



DAIRY SPECIALISTS

# RADIOACTIVE ISOTOPES DISCUSSED BY DR. QUIMBY AT MAY MEETING

The diagnostic and therapeutic applications of atomic energy, rather than their propensities for mass destruction, were the subject of an excellent paper by Dr. Edith H. Quimby of Columbia University at the May 18th meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society. This discussion of radioactive isotopes was all the more timely because the year 1948 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the identification of the first naturally occurring radioactive element, radium, by Madame Curie. Dr. Quimby, who has greatly advanced the science of radiation physics both as an educator and as a research clinician, emphasized that the artificially produced radioactive isotopes thus far investigated are not a cure-all for cancer and deplored the optimistic statements appearing in the lay press.

Although it is now possible to produce radioactive isotopes of any element, phosphorus, sodium, strontium, and iodine have been used most extensively in the treatment of malignant processes. P-32 especially has found favor in such generalized processes as lymphoma, leukemia and carcinomatosis. It was pointed out by Dr. Quimby that the phosphorus is not preferentially absorbed by such tumor tissue however, and thus is not superior to, or a replacement of, radiation therapy, whereas radioactive iodine is preferentially absorbed by functioning thyroid tissue and can thus exert more specific localized destruction in certain varieties of cancer of the thyroid gland. Until additional radioactive elements are produced in the atomic pile which will selectively concentrate in a specific tissue, the treatment of malignancy in general will continue to be carried out by other modalities.

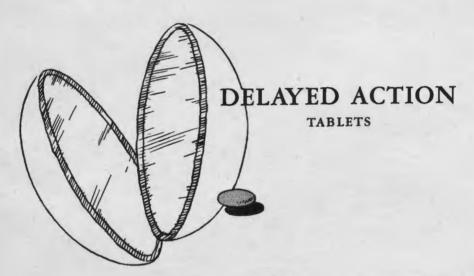
Two non-malignant conditions are being treated with P-32 with considerable success. In Polycythemia Rubra Vera, radioactive phosphorus is now considered the treatment of choice, results being much better than with other forms of therapy. More recently radioactive iodine has been used in the treatment of both primary and recurrent forms of non-nodular toxic thyroid disease. Of 52 primary cases so treated 86% showed a satisfactory remission of toxic symptoms; of 25 cases previously treated by other methods, 90% obtained a satisfactory remission. However, Dr. Quimby expressed the belief that radioactive iodine will not replace surgery in the treatment of thyrotoxicosis except possibly in recurrent cases where this form of therapy is possibly superior. She stated that thus far it is impossible to predict what ill effects, if any, might occur in such patients in future years.

Concerning the diagnostic applications of radioactive substances, Dr. Quimby expressed considerable enthusiasm. Both hyper- and hypo-thyroidism can be detected by studies with radioactive iodine and the Geiger Counter, a diagnosis of Cretinism having been made as early as three weeks of age. The optimum level for amputation in cases of gangrene has been determined by studies utilizing radioactive sodium. Other studies are underway to discover additional uses of isotopes.

The use of radioactive elements as tracers in physiological research was discussed and some interesting studies were reported. This method of study has limitless possibilities and Dr. Quimby has expressed the opinion that important facts concerning growth, metabolism, and cancer will be brought to light. She ended her discussion with a plea for the use of adequate protective methods in the handling of radioactive materials so that there need be no recurrence of the epidemic of radiation injuries which marked the early years of experimentation with radium and X-rays.

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## **Resume of Postgraduate Day Session**

#### MEDICAL CLINIC

The Medical Clinic section of the annual Postgraduate Day assembly of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Wednesday, April 14, 1948, at 9:30 A. M. at St. Elizabeth's Hospital School of Nursing auditorium. The largest audience of doctors to ever attend the medical section was present. 102 physicians and their guests heard three very interesting cases presented and discussed.

The first case, which was one of diabetes in the aged and its complications, was discussed by Dr. Robert W. Keeton, Professor and Head of the Department of Medicine, University of Illinois. Dr. Keeton discussed the case from the point of view of why diabetic manifestations occur and how they may go on to encourage the development of complications. He also discussed at some length the hereditary aspects of diabetes.

The second case was one of hypopituitarianism and hypogonadism in the male. This case was discussed by Dr. Willard O. Thompson, Clinical Professor of Medicine, University of Illinois College of Medicine. Dr. Thompson presented a very instructive, as well as humorous, coverage of the patient. He further discussed this type of case by the presentation of his own series of slides which he used to stress treatment of such cases with, chiefly, testosterone propionate or choronic gonadotropin.

Dr. John B. Youmans, Dean of the College of Medicine, University of Illinois, was expected to present the third case, which was one to demonstrate the problems of geriatic nutrition. However, Dr. Youmans was stranded in the back-country of central Ohio by poor train service and was unable to appear at the clinic. Dr. Thompson presented this patient and quickly demonstrated by questioning the patient that the elderly person cannot be relied upon to feed himself an adequate diet.

H. J. R.

#### ANEMIAS OF NUTRITIONAL ORIGIN

JOHN B. YOUMANS, M. D.

Mild grades of nutritional deficiencies are more common than is generally supposed. There are several substances necessary to combat nutritional anemias, namely, protein which is necessary for cellular stroma; iron, copper, and possibly cobalt and Vitamin C.

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Dr. Keeton presented a statistical analysis of the surprisingly high incidence of nutritional anemias.

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#### FEEDING THE SICK ROBERT W. KEETON, M. D.

There are two ways of getting into difficulties with the feeding of sick patients: Refusal of the patient to take adequate quantities of food and a defect in the patient's ability to take food. Appetite is not present at birth, but comes on with cerebral development. However, hunger contractions are present at birth. Patients that are fasting or unable to eat, lose their desire for food, but still have hunger contractions. So there are several centers involved in the physiology of hunger. In the cortex is the simple preference for different foods. In the hypothalamus is the desire for food, including intense desire or wolfing of food, and in the stomach are the hunger contractions which are transmitted via the vagus to the vagus center in the medulla. The cough center is near the vomiting center which often results in vomiting after couging, as in whooping cough.

In the G. I. tract, the throat and the pylorus are the local reflex centers that cause vomiting. So if a tube is passed through the duodenum into the jejunum, food can be given to patients that are vomiting, without stimulating these vomiting reflexes.

In patients in whom the hunger reflexes are completely inactive for some time, as in anorexia neurosa, the resulting severe under-nutrition causes kidney failure, with a high N. P. N. The metabolism becomes low, cholesterol high, the adrenals become deficient, glucose curve becomes flat, and the 17 ketosteroids become low. There is failure of the anterior pituitary gland and resulting failure also of the target glands, so that the glands all become dormant and take care of only basal requirements. In an overweight patient, the pituitary gland does not suffer as a result of weight reduction. A patient 15% overweight by normal standards is considered overweight. Food acts on patients whether they reject or approve of the food. So underweight patients should be put on a high caloric general diet. If they reject this they should be tube fed. And if the tube is put past the duodenum, the psychic responses, nausea and vomiting, can be overcome.

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C. C. WALES, M. D.

#### HERNIATED INTERVERTEBRAL DISC OSCAR SUGAR, M. D.

A highly informative and complete discussion of the herniated intervertebral disc was given by Dr. Oscar Sugar. In the general explanation of the anatomical basis for the lesion it was pointed out that the fracture or tear in the annulus fibrosis was the first lesion and that this was followed by the protrusion of the disc or the nucleus pulposus. It was pointed out that the time interval which frequently exists between the onset of low back pain and the radiation of pain down the affected extremity can be accounted for by the interval between the rupture of the annulus and the actual pro-

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trusion of the disc tissue. In the discussion of the clinical symptomatology it was further pointed out that in addition to the fact that there is radiation of pain down the affected extremity, the character and the location of pain is of particular importance inasmuch as it not only establishes the presence of a herniation but has some localizing value in respect to the affected nerve root. In reference to the clinical syndrome the following was considered to be of particular importance:

- Characteristic nerve root or radicular type pain extending down the affected extremity.
- (2) Localization of pain and/or sensory disturbances corresponding to the nerve root dermatomes.
- (3) Reflex changes.
- (4) Postural changes in the lower back, secondary to associated muscle spasm.
- Percussion pain with extension corresponding to the dermatomes involved.

It was pointed out that in about 60 per cent of the cases the 1st sacral root is involved with associated loss of the ankle jerk, extension of pain to involve the lateral aspect of the ankle and lower leg, and radiation of pain to this same region. When the 5th lumbar nerve root is involved (in the 4th lumbar interspace), the pain and sensory disturbances are generally in the dorsum of the foot and the region of the great toe with preservation of the ankle jerk.

It was pointed out that operation should be deferred until such time as the patient is having acute symptoms and that the usual result of operation during the period of regression of symptoms is usually followed by poor or indifferent results.

In reference to spinal fusion following removal of the herniated intervertebral disc, it was pointed out that the actual operation for the removal of the disc involves practically no loss of bony substance or support of the back and that the need for fusion is not dependent upon any change brought about by the operative procedure itself. However, when a herniated intervertebral disc is associated with a structurally inadequate or weak back, or when a herniated disc occurs in an individual who earns his livelihood by severe or excessive physical labor, it was felt that fusion should be carried out at the time of removal of the disc herniation. In these instances the entire operative procedure is carried out jointly with the orthopedic service.

O. A. TURNER, M. D.

# INTESTINAL OBSTRUCTION JOHN T. REYNOLDS, M. D.

Dr. Reynolds made no attempt to cover all of the conditions which may cause obstruction in the intestine. However, he observed that acute obstruction in the colon is a relatively frequent disease which is curable if it is attacked early. Fatalities occur from varied reasons. Carcinoma is one of the most common causes of such intestinal obstruction. Half or more of the lesions are found in the distal part of the colon and rectum. Many of these originate from polypi which have become malignant. Bleeding is usual and irregularity in the bowel habits is frequently the first symptom complained of by the

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patient. The lesion grows not only into the lumen of the gut but around it into the surrounding tissues. If it is found in the sigmoid or rectum, it may cause blocked blood supply and the patient may complain of hemorrhoids. Dr. Reynolds suggested that the development of hemorrhoids should always be investigated from the standpoint of possible tumor in the distal part of the intestinal tract. When tumor is found in the sigmoid colon, if it is scirrhus in type, there may be little bleeding but constipation may gradually develop with a final episode of obstruction which may first be intermittent and then become absolute. A fecal mass may occlude the narrowed luman. The symptoms from lower intestinal obstruction may be largely referred to the right side of the abdomen due to backing up of gas and fecal material in the colon. Some of these patients may become anemic. Dr. Reynolds suggested that any lower abdominal intestinal complaint should be investigated immediately from the standpoint of possible tumor. He suggested first to do a rectal examination, then if necessary, a proctoscopic examination and third and last, an x-ray study if it is indicated and the others are negative. He said this is cheaper for the patient, much quicker and far more desirable. He cautioned against the use of barium in the presence of narrowing or obstruction in the colon for fear that the inspissated barium may cause acute obstruction.

He reported the study of fifty consecutive cases of intestinal obstruction caused by tumors. Most of these cases had symptoms seven months or more before the diagnosis was made. When obstruction is evident, the first thing to do in therapy is to relieve the obstruction. After this has been done, then the treatment of the carcinoma follows at a later operation. In some cases the obstruction may develop very gradually but if the obstruction develops rapidly, the stretching of the lumen of the gut may cause occlusion to the circulation and gangrene can develop very rapidly. When this occurs, it is due to the pressure within the lumen exceeding the pressure in the vascular channels. When ischemia develops, perforation may follow rapidly with death in near 100 percent. When obstruction occurs, the colon may be entirely filled with fecal material proximal to the lesion. If there is more time, due to slowly developing obstruction, then thorough preparation of the patient will give better operative results. He again cautioned against the use of barium, especially administered orally, for fear of complicating and making the obstruction worse.

Rather than using barium from above, much can be learned by a flat plate of the abdomen by the evidence of gas in the intestine proximal to the obstruction. If acute obstruction occurs, dilation may develop very rapidly. These are emergency situations which cannot wait till morning for operative interference.

The procedure in the first operation is to relieve the obstruction. Colostomy should be far enough proximal to the obstructing lesion to facilitate the secondary operation by allowing plenty of intestine with which to work. He also cautioned that it is necessary to be very sure of the diagnosis and tumor site at the time of the first operation. The colostomy should bring out a loop of the colon and avoid putting any sutures in the wall as these may ulcerate through and contaminate the peritoneal cavity. He cautioned against the use of tubes in the lumen of the colostomy as these may cause ulceration in the mucosa and even perforation through the wall.

## Health Department Bulletin

REPORT FOR APRIL, 1948

	1948	Male	Female	1947	Male	Female
Deaths Recorded	.174	107	67	172	97	75
Births Recorded	.480	240	240	520	272	248

#### CONTAGIOUS DISEASES:

	April 1948		April	1947
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Chicken Pox	127	0	94	0
Measles	257	0	28	0
Scarlet Fever	6	0	9	0
Whooping Cough	9	0	6	0
Mumps		0	7	0
Syphilis		0	32	0
Gonorrhea		0	1	0 '
Tuberculosis		0	0	0

#### VENEREAL DISEASES:

	Male	Female	
New Cases	. 18	15	
Syphilis		8	
Gonorrhea		- 7	
otal Patients		33	
Total visits to clinic (Patients)			

W. J. TIMS, M. D.

Commissioner of Health

# June Meeting

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1948-8:30 P.M.

Mezzanine, Second Floor-Hotel Pick-Ohio

### SPEAKER: HOWARD W. HAGGARD, M. D.

Director of Laboratory of Applied Physiology, Yale University.

President, National Committee for the Education on Alcoholism, Graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy, Yale University 1914, Yale School of Medicine, 1917, and served as Captain in the Chemical Warfare Service, U. S. Army, 1917-18.

### SUBJECT: "The Physician and the Alcoholic"

The Ladies Auxiliary to The Mahoning County Medical Society and their friends are invited to be our guests.

The second stage operation cannot follow safely in less than three weeks after the obstruction is relieved. Dr. Reynolds also cautioned that patience is necessary to establish a good working colostomy. They may not function immediately after the operation, but given a few hours of time, they will usually function.

Important considerations in surgery of the colon include: (1) adequate fluid intake, (2) adequate nourishment, (3) adequate protein, (4) blood and plasma as indicated, (5) the sulfa drugs and (6) a good surgical technique.

Important axioms for intestinal obstruction: (1) a colostomy, (2) loop colostomy, if possible, (3) sulfa drugs, (4) sound surgery. Dr. Reynolds called attention to the fact that sulfa drugs do not replace sound surgical technique. The cause of peritonitis is leakage rather than soilage in the operative areas. Therefore, care should always be taken to avoid the use of sutures in the gut. It is necessary to protect the loop area until it has sealed off at the peritoneum opening.

Dr. Reynolds called attention to the fact that attempt to relieve the obstruction by decompression from above is harmful and ineffective. A colostomy should be done at the earliest possible moment after the diagnosis is established. Hours of delay may mean a fatal outcome. In conclusion, Dr. Reynolds called attention to the fact that intestinal obstruction may mimic acute appendicitis and differential diagnosis must be made; second, the surgical treatment must be, first, to deal with the obstruction and then the second stage, removal of the tumor area.

Before closing the review, I should like to express my own conviction that the group from the University of Illinois, College of Medicine, gave us a splendid day of well-preared, well-delivered lectures which were most enjoyable and beneficial to all of us who attended.

HORACE K. GIFFEN, M. D.

# USES AND MISUSES OF THE SEX HORMONES WILLARD O. THOMPSON, M. D.

Dr. Thompson began his talk with an outline of the known things that sex hormones will do. In the male they will (1) develop genitalia (2) affect the growth and function of the prostate (3) promote masculine hair distribution and develop a masculine voice (4) produce a heavy masculine skeleton and develop musculature and (5) effect emotional changes. In the female, sex hormones will (1) develop genitalia (2) influence the growth and function of the uterus (3) develop breasts and feminine hair distribution (4) develop feminine type of skeleton and of fat distribution and (5) effect emotional changes.

Treatment with sex hormones is of two types, stimulation, that is by gonadotropism and substitution. Stimulation therapy is of no avail in primary hypogonadism as well as in chromophobe adenoma of the pituitary. This results in multiple hypo-glandular effect. There is no pituitary gonadotropic product available which can be given and produce good results. However, chorionic gonadotrophins are effective in the male. They are without value

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in the female. If treatment with gonadotrophins is without effect, the only recourse is to use multiple substitution. There were many "before and after" slides then shown, demonstrating the effectiveness of gonadotrophin in various types of male hypogonadism.

The speaker then outlined uses, doubtful uses and abuses of male sex hormones and stated that the best product was testostrone proprionate. The uses were (1) Eunichism (2) Primary eunichoidism (3) undescended tests which had not responded to stimulation therapy (4) Froelich's syndrome with undescended tests (5) pituitary devorfism (6) male climactivic (7) impotence from glandular causes (8) Cushing's syndrome (9) Addison's disease (10) carcinoma of the breast with metastasis. In the doubtful class he placed (1) angina pectoris (2) menorrhagia and metrorrhagin (3) carcinoma of the ovary (4) carcinoma of the breast. As abuses he listed (1) sterelity (2) benign prostatic hypertophy (3) carcinoma of the prostate (4) Froelich's syndrome with descended tests. The speaker did not outline uses and abuses of the female sex hormones.

He repeatedly stressed the importance of early treatment in most of these conditions and showed how much better results can be obtained in patients who are thoroughly treated at an early age. An example was the treating of undescended tests by the age of three.

Some of the pitfalls one may encounter were mentioned. Examples were mentioned such as folly of attempting to induce menstruation in congenital absence of the uterus, or in treating hermaphrodites. One should also beware of the possibilities of precocious puberty or of abnormally late puberty, with no demonstrating pathology. Pictures were shown demonstrating results obtained in early and late treatment of some of the conditions discussed. Growth curves were shown demonstrating the approach toward normal growth obtained in treating some types of dwarfism.

R. R. MILLER, M. D.

#### UNCLE DUDLEY

While we are trying to alter the way of thinking of the country that scourged the world through Wilhelm, Hitler, Goering and Ribbentrop, we are not to forget that it had previously given us Leibnitz, Goethe, Kant, Mendelssohn, Virchow, Koch, Erlich and Roentgen. Delicate operations are not performed by clumsy fingers, nor can they be directed by minds limited to a single purpose.

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#### COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 10th, 1948

The regularly monthly Council Meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held at the office of the Society, 125 W. Commerce St., Monday, May 10th, 1948. The following doctors were present: John Noll, J. N. McCann, W. M. Skipp, C. A. Gustaíson, I. C. Smith, E. J. Wenaas, G. M. McKelvey, J. K. Herald, R. E. Odom, E. J. Reilly, V. L. Goodwin, comprising a quorum of the council. Also present was Dr. L. H. Getty, Chairman, Indigent Relief Committee.

Dr. Skipp, Chairman of the Legislative Committee, called attention to a legislative bulletin from the Ohio State Medical Association in which they suggested that we protest the passage of H. R. 6274, being considered by the House Armed Services Committee, which would empower the President, at the request of the Armed Forces, to make special calls for members of the Medical, Dental and Veterinary Professions and that persons so called would be liable for induction for a period not to exceed 24 months of military service. Dr. Skipp reported he had written a letter of protest to the Honorable Michael J. Kirwan, the Honorable Robert A. Taft, the Honorable George Bender and the Honorable John W. Bricker.

Dr. L. H. Getty reported on the second organization meeting of the Planning and Coordinating Organization for Health, Welfare and Recreation Services held May 3rd. Council advised Dr. Getty to arrange a meeting with the committee, Dr. H. E. Hathhorn, Chairman, Dr. Getty and Dr. Reilly, together with Dr. Noll, Dr. McCann and Mr. Leedy and report back to council.

V. L. GOODWIN, M. D. Secretary

#### ST. ELIZABETH'S HOSPITAL PLANS EX-INTERNE'S REUNION

The Ex-Interne's Association of St. Elizabeth's Hospital will hold its first annual reunion since the late war on Thursday, June 17th, 1948. Dr. Richard Clifford is chairman of the committee which has planned a full day of activity for local and out of town members of the Association. His committee includes Drs. J. K. Herald, M. J. Kocialek, Sam Tamarkin, P. J. McOwen, B. I. Firestone and S. W. Ondash.

Dr. Charles F. Geschickter, Professor of Pathology, Georgetown University, will highlight the Scientific Session to be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Nurses' Home of St. Elizabeth's Hospital. He will speak on "Breast Tumors."

Luncheon will be at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Golf will be played at the Mahoning Country Club and prizes will be given to leaders in the various brackets. A banquet at the Mahoning Country Club will feature the evening session which will also be attended by Dr. Geschickter.

#### SANATORIUM MEETING DATE CHANGED

Due to the A.M.A. Convention the regular monthly meeting of the Mahoning County Sanatorium scheduled for June 22, 1948, will be held on Tuesday, June 29, 1948, 8:30 p. m. at the Nurse's Home of St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

Dr. Milton M. Yarmy will be the speaker and his subject will be "Diabetes."

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#### THE MEDICAL CRIER

A Page of Sidelights, News and Views in the Medical Field

Every doctor who served with the armed forces during the late conflict knows that the military establishments were greatly over-supplied with medical officers. Every doctor who served on the home front knows that the civil population was greatly under supplied. Those of us in the Navy, Army, Coast Guard or Public Health Service know how much time was spent serving on Boards, doing physical examinations on men who had just been examined, making reports in triplicate or just sitting around.

At the beginning of the war, the procurement of medical officers by the various brances of the armed service was on a highly competitive basis. Each one was out to get what it could regardless of the needs of the others or of the civil population. By means of patriotic appeal, cajolery and threats, they were able to sign up nearly all the physically qualified doctors of military age. The rest were left to take care of the sick at home, do the industrial medicine and surgery, and man the Civilian Detense. The result was that the people suffered greatly from the lack of medical care, and the doctors went through four nightmare years of ringing phones, crowded offices and air raid drills.

Now there is before the Senate Committee on Armed Services a bill to provide for the common defense by increasing the strength of the armed forces of the United States and for a universal military training program. One of the sections of this bill makes special provisions for the drafting of physicians up to the age of 45 years. Such a law as this if passed, would be distinctly class legislation. It is highly discriminatory and coercive. It is unconstitutional. It is a slap in the face to a profession which responded so well in the last emergency that the Army and Navy were oversupplied.

Ever since the War Between the States, this country has been fortunate in keeping the ravages of war far from its shores. The folks at home have wished their fighting men to have the best of everything when they "go off to war." It is extremely likely that the next one will be different and that much of it will come home to us. This implies a large number of casualties among the civil population. In such a situation it is highly important that some civilian group have strong representation when plans are made to apportion medical personnel and supplies. If such planning is left to the admirals and generals the same one-sided arrangement will result as happened last time. Of course we want our fighting men to have the best but let us not have doctors wasted, because they cannot be manufactured like airplanes.

In 1947, the American Medical Association created the Council on National Emergency Medical Service to make a study of the country's needs in case of national emergency (war). The Council is now busy working on the survey and the scope of their effort is so broad it cannot be detailed here. Their report can be found in the A.M.A. Journal of May 8, 1948. They favor representation of all the health agencies, hospitals, nurses and medical colleges on the Board which will advise the President regarding the coordination of military, industrial and civilian mobilization. They are strongly opposed to a draft of doctors. They believe that the services of physicians



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J. F. L.

#### CYNICAL SAM

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#### PEPTIC ULCER AND PREGNANCY

It has been believed for many years that during pregnancy peptic ulcer rarely appears, rarely flares up, and often heals. Gastric acidity tends to be decreased during pregnancy, but theories of mechanical and humoral factors producing this decrease are vague. Four cases of ulcer occurring during pregnancy are presented. It is felt that obstetricians should carefully evaluate possible peptic ulcer in patients presenting symptoms of persistent heartburn, epigastric distress, etc.—Bralow, S. P.; Scheinberg, S.; and Nicheles, H.; American Journal of Digestive Diseases—May, 1948.

J. D. M.

#### COMPLICATIONS OF ALKALOSIS

The current use of gastric suction and sodium lactate solutions may lead to a condition of alkalosis which may be accompanied by changes in personality, delirium, stupor, or convulsions and by renal insufficiency which tends to persist. Removal of the causes of the alkalosis will lead to gradual or fairly prompt recovery of the abnormal mental state. A more rapid correction may be accomplished by the parenteral administration of autoclaved 2 percent solution of ammonium chloride in distilled water. The usual procedure was the intravenous administration of a liter of the solution over a period of two or three hours.—W. J. Grace; Willard P. Barr.—American Journal of Medicine—March, 1948.

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#### THE DOG PROBLEM

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If one is to avoid either of the above unpleasant sequellae, the only obvious method of controlling the disease is to eliminate the cause. It is apparent that dogs cannot be totally eliminated as such, and the only effective means left is to prevent the animals from contracting the disease and spreading it to others. The fact that the animal is well cared for and kept at home does not in any way eliminate the possibility that it may contract the disease from other stray animals.

The mere passing of a law requiring compulsory licensing and requiring vaccination of the animal prior to obtaining a license will not better the situation. It is only by forceful and effective administration of such a law that the required results will be obtained. It is apparent that objections to the local means for controlling this disease must come from individuals who have little regard for matters of individual or public health or who have no conception or little knowledge of the hazard to life in the face of an uncontrolled and mounting incidence of rabid animals. In this light such objections must be completely disregarded. The outcome of the present activities concerning this problem will be an interesting indication of the sincerity of our local administration, at least in terms of public welfare.

OSCAR A. TURNER, M. D.

#### HOWARD W. HAGGARD, M. D.

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Much medical research on alcoholism has been done at Yale University School of Medicine. Dr. Howard W. Haggard is well qualified to speak to us on this problem. He is the Director of Laboratory of Applied Psychology of Yale University School of Medicine. He is also Chairman of the Board of the National Committee for the Education on Alcoholism.

The ladies of the Auxiliary of the Mahoning County Medical Society will be our guests on this occasion. The meeting will be held in the Ball Room of the Pick Ohio Hotel, Tuesday June 15, 1948, at 8:30 P. M.

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Thrombosis is more likely than not to be attended by severe, exhausting, crushing pain, often radiating to either or both arms, head, neck or back. There are however exceptions without pain at all and in such cases dyspnoea is predominate. White reports 56 consecutive cases posted of occlusion in which pain was predominate in all but two.

Dyspnoed may vary from slight breathlessness on exertion to awful struggling respiration of marked cardiac asthma depending on the severity and suddenness of failure which causes pulmonary engorgement. Sighing respiration is never cardiac in origin. Palpitation frequently noted is due to arrhythmias or tacchycardia. Prostration or collapse sometimes of high degree is a frequent early symptom of acute coronary occlusion, due to a state of vaso motor shock or peripherol vascular failure which in itself may be fatal. In a few cases prostration like dyspnoed may replace pain as a chief symptom especially in the very old.

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Acute coronary infarction, gall stone colic and perforated peptic ulcer are sometimes confused. Each may have pain, fever, leucocytosis and gastro intestinal symptoms as vomiting. Here the electrocardiogram may show no changes early after the event and one must rely on the past history of previous intestinal disturbance in the one and possible previous history of prodromal signs of heart disease as sternal pain and previous angina. Cardiac examination may show poor sounds, dilitation, friction rub, T wave changes, interventricular or auriculoventricular block. The heart rate and sounds may not change notable for some hours after the pain and may be most confusing. Abdominal examination may be of aid when there is localized tenderness or spasm of muscles, jaundice or bleeding from G. I. tract. Again thrombosis is most frequent in the older group or middle age while acute abdominal diseases more frequently (not always) are seen in a younger group and middle aged women.

Three other conditions likely to be confused with coronary occlusion are: Acute Pericarditis, Dissecting Aneurism, and Pulmonary embolism. In acute pericarditis one is dealing in most cases with young individuals. The precardial pain is felt preponderately on respiration and little if the breath is held. This is due to the pleuro pericarditis. X-ray may show effusion here. The electrocardiogram shows transient elevation of the ST segments of inversion of the T waves of all leads, unlike infarction and takes usually several days to develop changes. The continued pain, fever, leukosytosis, elevated sedimentation rate may be present in both conditions. Friction rub appears about the third day if at all in infarcts and later in pericarditis. In pericarditis the fever is higher and the pain usually disappears in coronary disease when the rub appears.

Dissecting aneurism has a very abrupt onset of most severe pain not working up to a crescendo as in most coronary cases. Pain is referred almost invariable to the back and often down to the legs. There may be obstruction of the circulation in the branches of the aorta especially the iliac and femoral arteries. There is almost constant hypertention and a relatively normal electrocardiogram. The patient feels like he is paralyzed in the legs, arm, or the like.

If massive thrombosis there follows sudden severe dyspnoea thoracic pain distress and cyanosis followed by unconsciousness and death.

In moderate thrombi of lungs there is sudden thoracic pain with dyspnoea, couch and hemoptysis of varying amounts early but more often in a day or two.

There may be signs of decreased expansion and diminished vocal fremitics. The percussion note is dull, and a friction rub may be heard. The respirations are increased, the pulse rate rapid and the fever rising for two or three days.

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#### CORONARY INFARCT

- Pain—Vice like at times referred.
- 2. Dyspnoeα
- 3. Shock
- 4. Palpitation
- 5. History-may aid
- 6. Leucocytosis
- Pulse rate rapid gallup rhythm in some
- 8. Blood pressure falls
- 9. Temperature
- Cough—none unless pulmonary edema
- Pericardial friction rub in some about 3rd day
- 12. Cardiograms—may aid
- 13. Kynography may aid.

#### PULMONARY INFARCT

- Pain—localized and associated with pleurisy, not referred.
- Dyspnoeα
- 3. Shock—if large ambolus
- 4. Respiratory distress most frequent
- History—may aid if there is previous or coexisting condition
- 6. Leucocytosis-higher
- 7. Pulse rate rapid
- 8. Blood pressure falls
- 9. Temperature higher usually
- Cough—with speck of blood or bloody sputum later.
- Pleural friction rub in some 1-2-3 days later
- 12. Cardiograms—different
- X-ray shows a high diaphragm is negative immediately, but in 24 hrs. shows infarct.
- 14. Pulmonary embolism may cause coronary thrombosis from a fall of blood pressure and stasis in coronary vessels. (Blumgart)

Fatigue syndrome N. C. A. are all terms describing a condition seen in civilian life, but rising to prominence in times of war. Symptoms are largely cardio-vascular-extreme lassitude and fatigue, dyspnoea on slight exertion, consciousness of heart's action, palpitation, precordial discomfort, and sub mamary ache. In addition, vasomotor and psychological abnormalities are often present. Undue sweating of axilla and hands, tacchycardia and lowered blood pressure on standing. Upright fainting attacks and postural dizziness are common.

A history of a hyper sensitive introspective person who has avoided possible situations involving friction, physical or mental exposure and stress may solve the problem. One must keep in mind that N. C. A. may co-exhist at times and be super-imposed on organic heart disease.

A list of other diseases may confuse the picture here such as:

Pneumonia with left sider pain. Acute pneumothorax—can be differentiated by x-ray of the chest. Mediastinal empnysema is rare but may be associated with tension pneumothorax with or without trauma. It may be associated with pneumonia, acute infections, asthma, TB, and pulmonary irritants. Emphysema in the mediastinum is ussured in with pain in the chest with characteristic crunching, bubbling, or clicking sound synchronous with heart sounds. Pain is first noted in the upper or mid chest then substernal and may radiate to the back shoulder or arm. The pain is made worse by breathing and results in very shallow respirations. It may be aggravated by swallowing or turning the head.

Pleurisy; Carcinoma or bronchus or lung; Aortitis-syphilitic may simulate coronary disease. Cerebral accidents—In cerebral sclerosis the aged may have fainting spells with a fall of blood pressure and this level may remain low and simulate myocardial disease.

# Annual Meeting

The Medical-Dental Bureau, Inc.

Tuesday, June 29, 1948

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# **Election of Officers**

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Pancreatitis is usually originated with severe pain referred to shoulder in some and may be differentiated from heart disease by the blood amylase and a normal tracing. Diaphragmatic hernias may confuse one where there is a small pinched off segment of stomach which by some trigger mechanism sets off acute epigastric pain and vomiting at unpredicted intervals. Meniers syndrome in which some patients may vomit, have severe sweats and collapse. Gall stones with a distended gall bladder may give some cardiographic changes—difficult to interpret. (Sprague) Acute gastritis—severe gastritis may show a patient in collapse with vomiting, a fall in blood pressure and other signs suggesting cardiac disease. (Herrick) Diverticulitis or spastic colitis may cause upper abdominal pain of severe nature and confusing distribution. Carcinoma of the stomach with distention, pain and then symptoms may be a disturbing complex. Herpes Zoster may give unilateral pain on left or right chest for days before the skin lesions appear.

Orthopedic cases often simulate coronary disease: Arthritis of manubrium or costo-chondral junctions; Radicular syndromes with nerve root pain referred around the ribs; Left infra mammary syndromes; Left pectoral syndrome; Metastatic spine; Scalenticus anticus syndrome; Left pectoral syndrome; Metastiic spine; Bursitis of shoulders and spine; Arthritis of spine;

Posture and fatigue may cause referred pain around chest.

Esophagus disorders such as Ulcer and Cardiospasm—may be difficult to diagnose. Tobacco; Malingering; Tabetic crisis; Epigastric hernia; aortic regurge in rheumatic heart disease and cardiac Neurosis—all may complicate the picture. Fibrillation of the diaphragm may occur and morphine does not stop it.

#### **AUGUST 19, 1948**

The Corydon Palmer Dental Society and the Mahoning County Medical Society will hold a golf meet and dinner at the Youngstown Country Club on Thursday, August 19th.

There will be prizes for best golfers, and there is another leg to be won on the Lyon's cup. If you don't play golf, come out anyway, and have a good time. The social chairman will have full details in the next issue of the Bulletin.

#### **NEWS ITEMS**

Drs. Murrill Szucs and Craig Wales attended the 32nd Annual Meeting of the Federation of American Society for Experimental Biology, held from March 15 to 19 in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Dr. W. M. Skipp has been elected, for the fourth time, by the Ohio State Medical Association as delegate to the American Medical Association.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. and Mrs. Stephen W. Ondash announce the birth of their second child, Stephanie Adair, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital on April 6, 1948.

Dr. and Mrs. T. Kernan Golden announce the birth of a daughter, Catherine, St. Elizabeth's Hospital on May 10, 1948.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert M. Kiskaddon announce the birth of a boy, James Claypool, at North Unit on May 16, 1948.

