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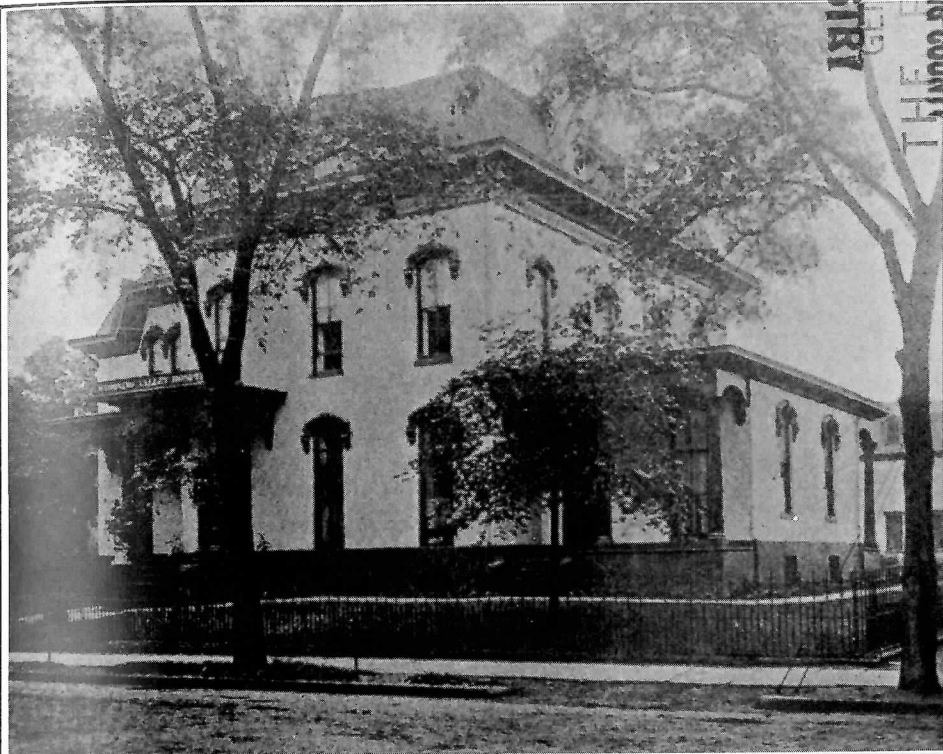
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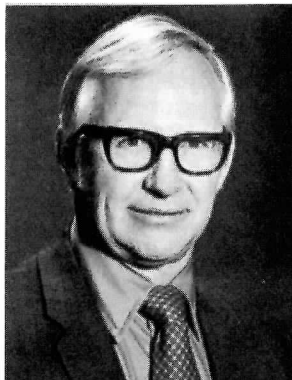
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## *From the Desk of the President*



### **WHAT DO YOU THINK?**

Three weeks ago we mailed out a questionnaire in an attempt to obtain the feeling of the majority of the members on various issues that have faced and are facing our Society. According to our attendance records it is obvious that many members have voiced their opinion or voted on few or none of the issues contained on the questionnaire. Originally I expected a 90% response. To date we have a 45% response and now I will be thankful for an 80% response.

Many of you responded immediately. To those who have not responded I would greatly appreciate your submitting your questionnaire as soon as possible.

The Centennial Committee continues to work hard, but has had major problems. All problems could be solved by more participation by the membership. Please respond as soon as possible.

Should the Medical Society endorse an American Red Cross Blood Bank Program locally? There are many pros and cons on this subject and they will be discussed at length at the next council meeting on June 13. Members who have strong feelings on this subject may attend the meeting, but please notify Howard at least five days before the meeting.

To Mrs. Geordan, Mrs. Wiltsie and Mrs. Garritano, thank you for a job well done on the President's Ball. It was a very enjoyable evening.

—Henry Holden, M.D.  
President



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## A History of Medicine In Youngstown and Mahoning Valley

### MAHONING VALLEY HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION YOUNGSTOWN'S SECOND HOSPITAL (1897 - 1912)

John C. Melnick, M.D.

The original hospital in Youngstown, Youngstown Hospital or Youngstown City Hospital as the first South Side Hospital was called, founded in 1881, was approximately 15 years old when a group of physicians became dissatisfied with the conditions prevailing at the Hospital. The doctors felt that the Youngstown Hospital was "run" by eight doctors. The group resigned from the Youngstown Hospital and incorporated as the Mahoning Valley Hospital Association in 1897. The officers elected were:

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In March 1897 the doctors rented the Governor David Tod's Mansion and converted it into a hospital to provide service for their patients. Governor Tod had Mr. Ross Berry supervise the building of the Mansion which was started in 1866 at the "end" of Commerce Street (then Wick Street) and Fifth Avenue (then Holmes Street). Commerce ended at Fifth Avenue and did not continue to North Avenue until some time later. Mr. Berry was also the builder of the Rayen School on Wick Avenue. The Mansion was completed on August 7, 1867 at a cost of \$50,000.00. (A male nurse at the Youngstown Hospital was paid \$240.00 per year in 1882.) Within six months a fire severely damaged the structure. This and many other fires took their toll of many fine homes and buildings in Youngstown which finally awakened the community to the need of a city water supply and a fire engine. On April 1, 1868 City Council voted to buy a steam fire engine. The Governor made a generous contribution towards its purchase and for this reason the engine was known as "The Governor Tod." The fire engine was sold for scrap during World War II as were the cannons around the "Man on the Monument" on the city square. The Mansion was rebuilt and used by the Tod family until 1888. It was for a time used by the Young Men's Catholic Institute.

The Mansion had more than 20 rooms with wide halls and stairways making it readily adaptable for use as a hospital. Another feature was the ability to close off various sections of the house.

At the time the doctors were searching for somebody to operate the hospital for them a group of nuns had come to Youngstown in hopes of establishing a hospital so the two groups came together.

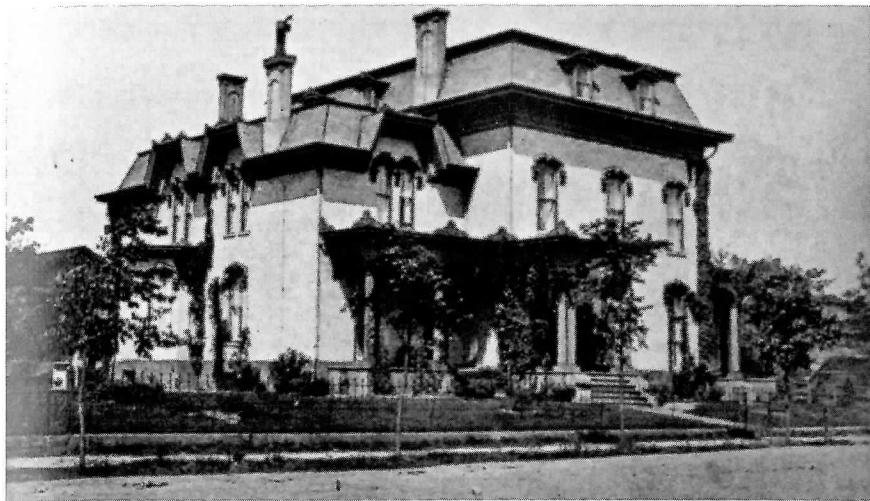
In November 1897 it was thought the hospital would be placed in charge of The Sisters of Villa Maria, however, the plans were changed and the Sisters of St. Vincent of Greensburg, Pennsylvania purchased the property for \$3,000.00. Sister Agnes Marie then became superintendent. The sisters were under the jurisdiction of Bishop Horstman of the Cleveland Diocese. He charged that the nuns were to have visited Bishop Phelan and Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia and instead had gone to Youngstown. He demanded they return for Bishop Phelan's permission or give up their religious habit. The Nuns responded by putting on a white cap and veil instead of black ones and remained at the hospital.

The hospital, however, was not under a religious jurisdiction. Catholic clergy as well as many Protestant denominations and other religious organizations visited the hospital. The sisters were members of the Cleveland Diocese. The hospital was open to members of all religions.

The officers and members of the board of the hospital gave generously for its furnishings. An appeal was made to the community for money, beds, surgical dressings and medicines.

When the hospital was opened for public inspection it was quoted as one of the finest equipped and best arranged hospital dispensaries in the United States.

When the first patient was admitted to celebrate the opening of the hospital a public reception was held which was attended by 3,000 people. The hospital later opened a nursing school. A male nurse, A. H. Toot of Canfield, was added to the staff about the same time. The first Youngstown Hospital, founded in 1881, also had a male nurse on its staff. The Mahoning Valley



**Gov. David Tod's residence on Commerce at Holmes St., before it was converted into the Mahoning Valley Hospital.**

Hospital gave medical examinations and medicine at no cost to worthy poor patients. On opening day, the patients came "thick and fast". The first patient was admitted on April 13, 1897. During its first month of operation 33 patients were admitted. This was a large number in the 1890's. The hospital had a capacity of 40 beds. It was financed by the fees charged to the patients plus one half of the funds appropriated by the City for hospital purposes.

Miss Carolyne Lee Moore of New York City, was selected as the hospital's first Matron from a large number of applicants. Her advantage was very good training in several of the best nurses' training institutions in the country. Miss Moore was later replaced by Miss Anna Shields of Coitsville and she in turn succeeded by Miss Florence Addis of Ithaca, New York.

On May 24, 1897 a Ladies Minstrel performed for the benefit of the hospital which netted the sum of \$300.00.

By January 1900 financial problems beset the hospital but it was able to continue with the support of the community. The hospital was temporarily closed later in 1900 as a result of a smallpox quarantine after a Niles, Ohio millworker, a patient in the hospital, developed the disease. The hospital, however, struggled until about 1911 when the Mansion was sold and the hospital moved to 653 Bryson Street. At the new location the hospital faded from the scene by 1912 and another chapter of Medicine in Youngstown became history.

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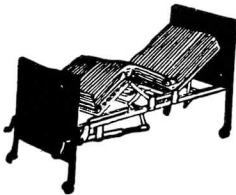
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## A History of Medicine in Youngstown and Mahoning Valley

### DR. HELEN BETTS (1845 - 1907)

#### Youngstown's First Woman Doctor

John C. Melnick, M.D.

The Mahoning County Medical Society, founded in November, 1872, was only four months old when Dr. Helen Betts applied for membership. She was the pioneer woman doctor in Youngstown and most probably one of the first in the entire country. Dr. Betts practiced medicine in Youngstown for only a few years, and, therefore, not a great deal has been recorded concerning her activities.

Dr. Betts was born in Vienna, Ohio, Trumbull County, about 1845. She was the daughter of Reverend Zenophan and Jane Betts who settled in Vienna, having come from Connecticut. Her father, a Presbyterian minister, lived here approximately 22 years. Dr. Betts attended local schools as well as the "Academy" on the green. Following her graduation, she taught school for two or three years. It is not certain from which medical school she graduated.



She started the practice of medicine by sharing office space with Dr. Woodbridge in 1873 at the corners of Walnut and Federal Streets. At the meeting of the Medical Society on March 5, 1873, . . . The Society called to order by Dr. Brooke. Dr. McCurdy moved that Dr. Miss Betts be admitted as a member of the Society. The motion was ruled out of order and the question referred to the censors to be reported at the next regular meeting . . . Miss Dr. Betts was invited to remain during the evening. On July 2, 1873, Dr. Miss H. Betts was a member of the Society and gave her first paper to the Society on Quinine. She was to be a very active member and presented a number of interesting papers. She was invariably referred to as Miss Betts, Dr. Miss Betts, Miss Dr. Betts, and never as Dr. Betts.

After practicing here a few years, Dr. Betts showed some degree of restlessness for then she spent only a few years in a number of communities. After leaving Youngstown, she studied ophthalmology and otolaryngology in Europe for three years. She then returned to this country and practiced her specialties in Boston. It has been said she was a good surgeon and was successful in her practice. In 1900, because of failing health, she went to San Jose, California, and practiced there until 1907 when she died of an unknown illness. Dr. Betts' body was cremated, according to her wishes, and scattered over her parents' graves in Vienna. A small headstone about 3 inches square, marks her final resting place next to her parents. Her grave is in the first lane off the main road a short distance from the chapel.

The photograph of Dr. Betts was taken when she was in her fifties. Youngstown's second woman physician was Dr. Ida Clarke, sister of Justice John H. Clarke, a member of the United States Supreme Court. She was born in Lisbon, Ohio, in 1852 and died in Atlantic City on March 3, 1922. A biographic sketch will appear later on Dr. Clarke.

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The annual Medical Society dinner-dance, now officially designated the President's Ball, was held at Tippecanoe Country Club on Saturday, May 6, in honor of president Henry Holden.

True to tradition, the President's Ball was a delightful and memorable occasion, an outstanding social function for physicians and wives.

Arrangements were made by members of the Woman's Auxiliary. Mrs. A. William Geordan was chairman. Her committee included Mrs. Nicholas Garritano, Mrs. Henry Holden and Mrs. Robert A. Wiltsie. Special guest was Dr. Gordon Fisher, president of the Corydon Palmer Dental Society.

Floral decorations included the centennial seal surrounded by chrysanthemums, pictured above. Joe Ranalli's Orchestra played for dancing.

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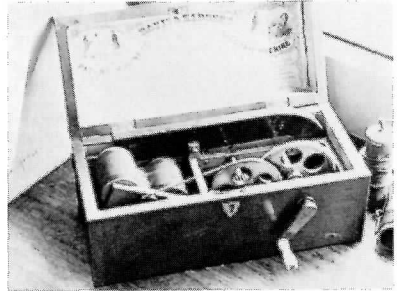
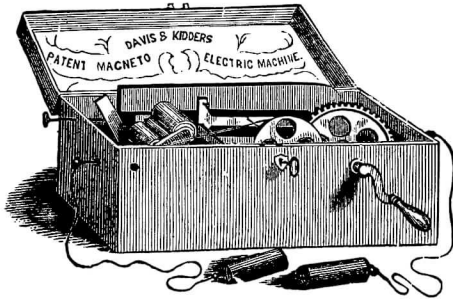
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FIG. 359.—Davis & Kidder's Magneto-Electric Machine.

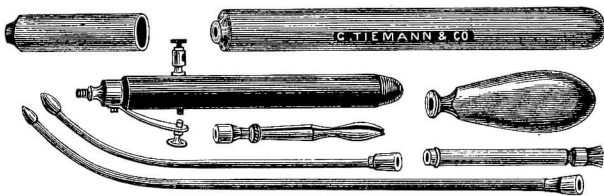


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The *Bulletin* continues to publish "firsts" in each issue during the Centennial Year. Your contributions will be welcome. Send them to the editor, Dr. John Melnick.

First assessment, Mahoning County Medical Society — April 2, 1873

First orthopedic Surgeon — Dr. R. R. Morrall, 1918

First electrocardiogram — Dr. William Bunn, 1921

First hemi-hepatectomy — Dr. Robert Tornello, 1958

First Medical Library — 1887, Dr. John S. Cunningham

First resection of carcinoma of esophagus — Dr. Joseph Keogh, 1950's

First Siamese Twins separated — Dr. Robert Tornello, Dr. Bert Katz, 1958

First president, Board of Lady Managers — Mrs. William G. Hitchcock, 1901

First Graduate Nurses, Y.H.A. — Miss Lucindo Schaff, Miss Alice Belle Chilsom, 1896

First intern — Dr. W. B. Wilson, 1902

First Emergency Room Associates — Y.H.A., South Unit, 1966, Dr. James L. Finley, Pres.

First specialist in Surgery — Dr. George S. Peck

First Director, Dept. of Medical Education, St. Elizabeth Hospital — Dr. F. W. McNamara, 1949

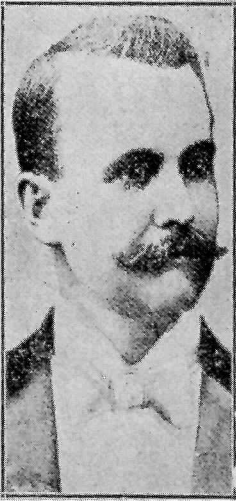
First Medical Director, Y.H.A. — Dr. R. W. Rummell, 1950

First psychiatric ward — St. Elizabeth Hospital, 1961; Y.H.A., North Unit, 1969

## A History of Medicine in Youngstown and Mahoning Valley

### DR. CARLOS C. BOOTH Physician, Scientist, Inventor, Lecturer (1882 - 1928)

John C. Melnick, M.D.



Dr. Carlos C. Booth was born on December 1, 1861 in Green, Trumbull County, Ohio. He was the son of Dunham P. and Hannah H. (Andrews) Booth. He studied at Grand River Institute. Dr. Booth began his medical studies about 1879 under Dr. O. M. Barley of Greensburg and graduated from Western Reserve University School of Medicine in 1882. He practiced medicine in Greensburg and North Jackson until he was elected Mahoning County Coroner in 1888 for the 1888-1890 term. He then moved to Youngstown and practiced here until his death.

Dr. Booth was very versatile and became prominent in medicine, civic affairs, automobile history, education and many other fields. He has the distinction of being the first doctor in the United States to use the automobile "horseless carriage" in the practice of medicine. In 1894 Europeans were experimenting with what was called a "power wagon." Dr. Booth became very intrigued and began studying this new apparatus. On June 21, 1895, his horse ran away and seriously injured his wife. This episode caused Dr. Booth to pursue his interest in automobiles with vigor. Work with the first gasoline cars had been under way since 1893 by Haynes, Ford and Olds. By 1895 only four cars were registered in the country. He ordered a special carriage from the Fredonia Carriage Works in Youngstown, adopted to accept a single cylinder engine made in New Brighton, Pennsylvania, by W. Lee Crouch. The engine weighed 1,040 pounds with a speed of 300 revolutions a minute. The 3 horsepower motor was able to drive at a speed of over 16 miles per hour. Dr. Booth had to change the engine from a horizontal to upright position to fit into his carriage. The differential gear was not known, so Dr. Booth invented it by adapting parts from old farm machinery. A chain and sprocket were used for low speed and a four inch leather belt with two friction clutches for high speed. His was the first car to use what is known as the knuckle joint for steering. The assembling was done by the Fredonia Manufacturing Company of Youngstown who called the vehicle a "horseless carriage." Dr. Booth was a mechanical genius. He either invented or improved upon many of the most basic essentials in the automobile. Had he patented his innovations, he would have certainly amassed a fortune. He removed the motor from his car and installed it in his boat in Florida, which must be the first motor-boat in the country.

In the spring of 1896, Dr. Booth entered his car along with a French and another American car in the Cosmopolitan Race in New York. He attained a speed of 15 to 18 miles per hour, climbed a 15% grade at 5 m.p.h., and was the only car to make a grade under its own power in the race. The race was the second automobile race in the United States. It was held on Memorial Day, May 30, 1896, for a \$3,000 prize given by the magazine. The race was won by J. Frank Dunyea who also won the first automobile race in 1899 at Chicago.

During a vacation trip with his wife to Bass Lake, a horse was frightened and broke a sulky. Dr. Booth paid \$6.00 in damages and probably was thus a pioneer in damage payments in the United States.

Dr. Booth tried to interest friends in the future of automobiles for both the practice of medicine, pleasure, and in busy use, but was only met with

discouragement. Because of its unusual appearance, he was unable to use it for more than 3 years at which time he sold it to Owen Bros. of Cleveland. It was later traced to an auto show in Boston and since then lost.

When Dr. Booth tried out his new car for the first time in November 1895, he ran into the curb and broke an axle. Back in the shop went his car for repairs. He was able to make many improvements as a result of his mechanical ability and ingenuity.

During the 25th anniversary of the General Motors Corporation and the opening of the New York Automobile Show, Dr. Booth was honored for his promotion of the "horseless carriage."

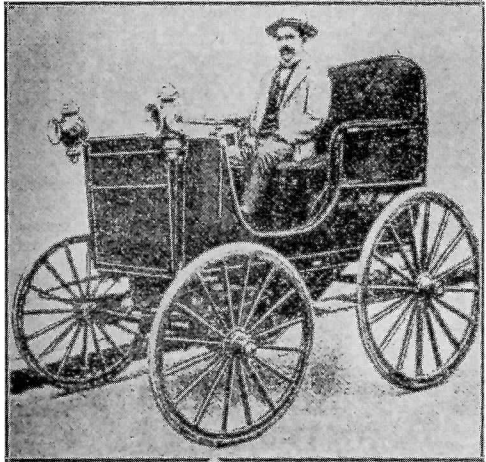
Dr. Booth was a leader and area pioneer in many scientific endeavors. He had perhaps the best equipped photographic laboratory in the city in his office. He was among the first, if not the first, to use x-rays that were discovered in November of 1895 by Dr. Wilhelm Konrad Roentgen which was the same year that Dr. Booth had his maiden voyage in his automobile. Once when talking about his car, Dr. Booth said he had to "get rid of it before I get lynched. I've scared more horses and caused more plate glass to be broken than any good this thing can repay."

He was very much interested in astronomy and owned the largest telescope in Ohio. Many lectures were given by him to crowds in Wick Park. Another telescope was erected at his summer home called "Boothcrest" at Conneaut on Lake Erie. He also was known to give many talks to the people there.

Young people tended to turn to Dr. Booth for many discussions and wonders of the modern age. At his home at 1012 Bryson Street, he had one of the first movie machines and radio sets. His hobbies included playing the guitar. He was also well versed in several foreign languages. At his home, he had hooked up a dozen sets of earphones so that many people could listen to his radio set. Loudspeakers were not yet known.

His interest in youth made him active in civic affairs. Dr. Booth was one of the earliest supporters of the Boy Scouts. He was elected President in 1922 and Vice-President in 1924. He was very active in the Red Cross and his church, the First Christian Church, of which he was an official.

Dr. Booth was an outstanding member of the medical profession. He was a surgeon at the Republic Iron and Steel Company, William B. Pollock Company, and the Youngstown Welding Company. He was the district surgeon for the New York Central Lines and the Pennsylvania and Lake Erie



railroads. During the era without antibiotics and with numerous industrial accidents, infections were common. He invented paraeusal as an antiseptic which is still manufactured and used widely in Youngstown today. The trade mark is owned by Allen Goldstone Corporation that manufactures paraeusal. It is then sold to several distributors for local drug stores who in turn sell it retail. Paraeusal is a salicylic acid preparation, a non-irritating antiseptic and powerful germicide. A laboratory report on paraeusal and its comparison to carbolic acid was made in 1917 by Dr. George W. O'Grady, Pathologist of the Youngstown Hospital. Dr. Booth prepared paraeusal in collaboration with Mr. Yengling, a pharmacist at the Youngstown Hospital. He was among the first with Dr. J. L. Fisher to use soline intravenously in the city.



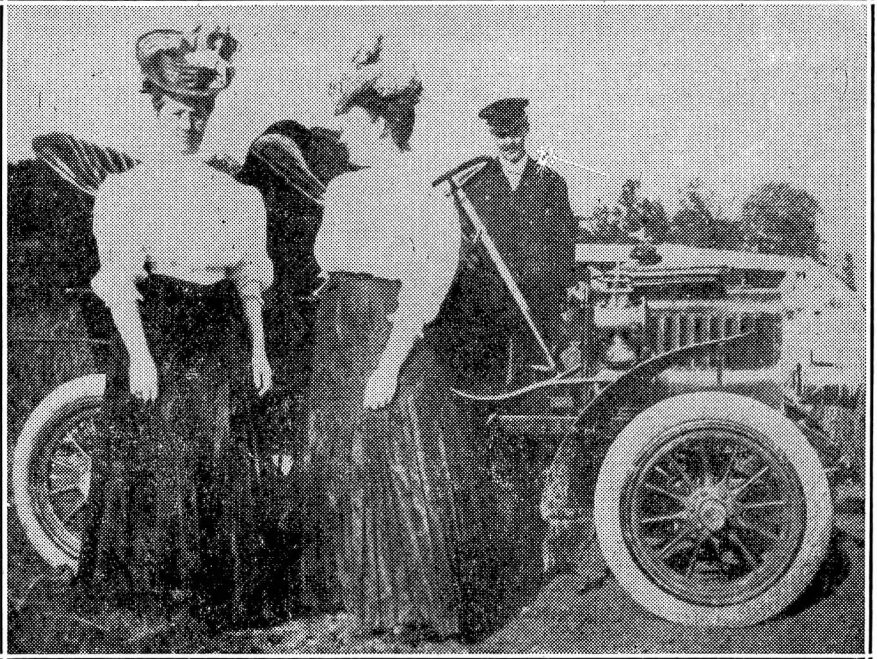
Dr. Booth was one of the founders of the Mahoning Valley Hospital Association in 1897. He was elected to the first Board of Trustees with Drs. M. V. Cunningham, H. B. Mills, M. S. Clark, L. U. Howard, A. E. Warren, and J. B. Kotheimer. He was also to serve on the medical staff of the Youngstown Hospital Association, and was on the emeritus staff at the time of his death. During his active career, he gave lectures to the student nurses on Sociology and Psychology.

Dr. Booth's versatility and ingenuity was also demonstrated in medicine. Initially, he was in general practice, then specialized in surgery. As a result of the trauma he was required to treat, especially industrial cases, his resourcefulness enabled him to develop and design a number of special surgical dressings and splints. He was known to individualize and adopt various splints to fit each case. He was once complimented by an outstanding colleague, Dr. W. H. Buechner, who said if he ever had a fracture, he would want Dr. Booth to handle it.

Dr. Booth was married to Pluma Shaffer in 1884. She was from Bristol, Trumbull County, Ohio.

He died of pneumonia at 11:20 p.m. at his home on November 19, 1928. Dr. Booth will be remembered as a man who contributed to medicine, education, and science, and is well deserving of a place of honor among those who gave of themselves for a better and richer community.

### DR. BLOTT AND HIS AUTOMOBILE

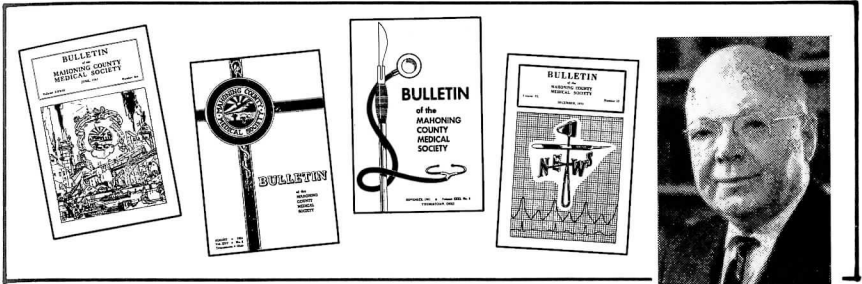


Among the early physicians with automobiles was Dr. H. E. Blott, shown in the photo with Mrs. Blott (left) and Mrs. John Oakley. The car is a Mahoning, one of the two makes manufactured in Youngstown.

Dr. Blott had the car four or five years. It had 25 to 30 horsepower. He drove it on a fishing trip to Grand Rapids, Mich., and the trip took four days, one way. Every time he came to a bad hill, people riding with him had to get out and walk while the car chugged painfully to the summit.

The *Bulletin* is interested in printing more photos of early physicians with their autos, or with horse and buggy.





## From the Bulletin

### FORTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1932

The health department reported 7 cases of diphtheria, 13 cases of small-pox and 91 cases of scarlet fever. The Municipal Hospital (now the Receiving Hospital) reported a census of 25 cases of contagious disease.

Council was meeting every Monday evening to discuss ways and means of starting our own central office, telephone exchange and collection service.

From the "Old Minutes of the Medical Society": Dr. Fowler gave a paper on the "Use of Alcohol". He reported that he had suffered for several years from Callous Ulcers on the exposed portion of his skin. The ulcers had resisted every form of treatment until he was advised to take brandy in small and frequent doses. After consuming about two gallons he thought he was getting the disease under control.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1942

The Medical Officers Recruiting Board came here on June 18 and called a special meeting. They minced no words. The war was six months old. Recruitment of medical officers was too slow and they wanted *Every* able bodied physician under 45 years of age, they wanted him *Now*, so come and *Sign Up*. After that, staff room conversation consisted of "How old are you?" and "What are you going to do?" A check of the membership showed that there were 117 physicians of eligible age.

Walter Tims left to join the Air Force at Patterson Field, Dayton. Herman Zeve was commissioned a Lt. Commander in the U.S. Navy.

The Medical Dental Bureau had a very successful year and returned the entrance fee to all the members.

Dr. Loren W. Shaffer, Professor of Dermatology and Syphilology at Wayne University spoke that month on "Modern Management of Early Syphilis." He advocated intensive course of arsphenamine and bismuth without rest periods for at least a year after the first negative Wasserman. He discussed the massive rapid treatment with arsphenamine which was in the experimental stage. No mention of penicillin was made.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1952

President Harry Truman was highly incensed at the A.M.A. because we were instrumental in defeating his attempt to add health care to Social Security. He lambasted our public relations firm, Whitaker and Baxter in a speech before the Veterans in Washington. To which Mr. Whitaker replied "After seven years of the Truman administration, the people's health is about all they have left and it would be a sorry day for America if Mr. Truman got hold of that, too."

The health department (Walter Tims) reported 178 cases of measles, 12 of scarlet fever, 3 of syphilis and 24 of gonorrhoea. No diphtheria and no smallpox.

### TEN YEARS AGO — JUNE 1962

New internes due to arrive at St. Elizabeth's Hospital were Felix Pesa, John Altier, Anthony Deramo and Sarah Yacono.

Internes coming to the Youngstown Hospital were Clark Conner White, Estherbelle Aquilar, Roberto Bacani, Conrado Banez and Chan.

Residents were Marcio Soares, Manuel Abello, Richard Jarvis, E. R. Ebie, Ikuo Maeda, Nelson Melick, Richard Richards, Patrick Forsythe, Alexis Fouras, Eugene Isidro and George Guju.

F. G. Kravec was elected President of the Ohio Chapter of the American College of Chest Physicians. H. S. Banninga was elected Governor of Optimist International. Robert Wiltzie was appointed to the advisory council of Mahoning Board of Child Welfare.

It was a busy and rewarding year. Doctors were in demand by sick and suffering people. The A.M.A. was trying to preserve the traditional integrity of the physician in private practice against the encroachment of government control. It was a slow retreat. —J. L. F.

## THE CENTURY CLUB

The Century Club continues to grow as members respond to the request for contributions toward the centennial year celebration of the Mahoning County Medical Society. Contributors are listed as of June 1st.

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## FAMILY PRACTICE CONTINUING EDUCATION

June 9 Anxiety Reaction and Their Management — Dr. F. Gelbman

June 16 Management of Hypertension — Dr. W. Bunn

June 23 Worms and Man — Dr. G. Canatsey, Dr. P. Van Zandt

The June 23rd session will conclude the Family Practice Continuing Education Conferences until next season. There were 50 conferences in all, held every Friday at St. Elizabeth Hospital. The remaining conferences will begin at 8:00 a.m. and last for one hour each.



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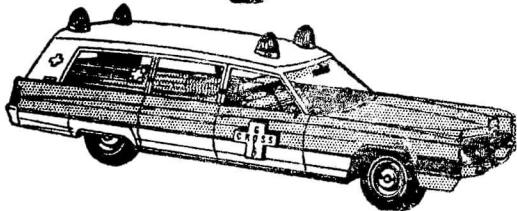
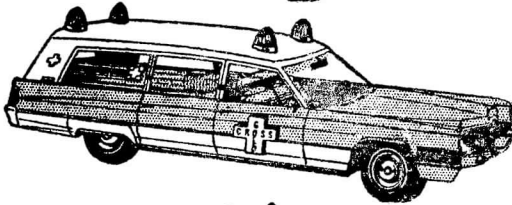
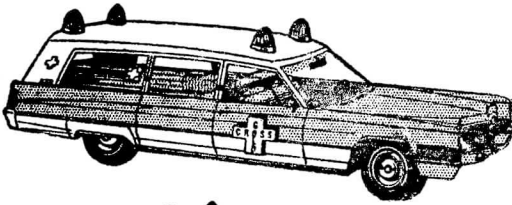
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**PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL****May 2, 1972**

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, May 2, 1972, at the Youngstown Maennerchor.

The following physicians were present: Henry Holden, president, presiding, R. A. Abdu, S. G. Adornato, J. J. Anderson, A. B. Cinelli, D. J. Dallis, G. H. Dietz, K. M. Lloyd, J. C. Melnick, F. A. Pesa, S. F. Petraglia, C. E. Pichette, Jack Schreiber, J. W. Tandatnick and C. C. White. Absent were: Louis Bloomberg, B. P. Brucoli, L. P. Caccamo, C. A. Crans, J. F. Stotler and L. J. Zehr.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the secretary dispense with the reading of the minutes. 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 all council members to see.

A report of the Sixth District Caucus meeting, held April 19 at Congress Lake, was made by Dr. Schreiber and other delegates.

Dr. Anderson presented the revised form, "Notice to My Patients and Their Insurers." One change was made to read "The majority of physicians." Dr. Schreiber made the motion, properly seconded, that the revised notice be accepted by the Medical Society. Motion was passed. The form will be presented to the membership at the next Society meeting.

Dr. Lloyd reported that the Medical Society has not heard from two members concerning their 1972 dues.

Dr. Holden reported that the Medical Society office has on hand some dues statements from the AMA. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the statements be sent out.

Dr. Holden announced that the May meeting had been changed to June 20, and will be held at the Ramada Inn.

Dr. Adornato was asked to make arrangements for the next council meeting to be held at the Slovak Catholic Sokol Center, on June 13.

A check was made to confirm that all four delegates will be attending the OSMA annual House of Delegates meeting in Cincinnati.

A letter was read from The Greater Cleveland Hospital Association asking for a share in sponsorship of a conference for school guidance counselors. A letter will be sent expressing an interest in the planning part of the conference.

A letter was read from Ted Dravis, Executive Director of the Mahoning Chapter of the American Red Cross, in which he answered several points brought up by the Council concerning the Red Cross blood bank program. Following discussion, council asked that the following be invited to the next council meeting: Drs. Taylor, Rappoport, Pass, River, Schellhase, and Mr. Dravis.

A letter was read from Dr. Levy concerning the position of Mahoning County Health Commissioner. Following discussion, the motion was made by Dr. Pichette, and properly seconded, that a letter be sent to Michael Brlen, County Board of Health Administrator, asking for a rational explanation of the recent appointment. Motion was passed.

A letter was read from the Northeastern Ohio Senior Citizens Council asking the Medical Society to standardize the medicare fee charged to senior citizens. Council will respond that we have no authority to set fees.

A report was made that the Scholarship Dinner was a resounding success and that the speaker, Ross Wales, had unusually good rapport with the students.

Dr. Tandatnick reported that members of the Government Medical Care Committee met with Jerry Knight, executive director of the North East Ohio Medical Care Foundation. They reported that the Foundation is apparently undergoing a complete change from its original organizational setup.

A letter was read asking for reaffirmation of Medical Society support for the Model Cities program. The secretary was instructed to send the same letter as before.

Dr. Schreiber reported for the Centennial Committee. The Committee will make definite recommendations to council following the next committee meeting.

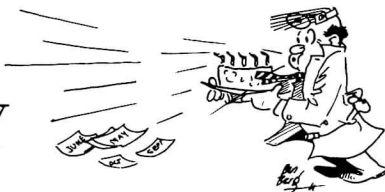
Dr. Holden urged council support for the May 6 dinner dance.

Dr. Holden appointed a committee to review the employment contract of the Executive Secretary: Dr. Resch, chairman, Dr. Lloyd, Dr. Raupple and Dr. Jenkins.

Meeting was adjourned.

—Howard Rempes  
Executive Secretary

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