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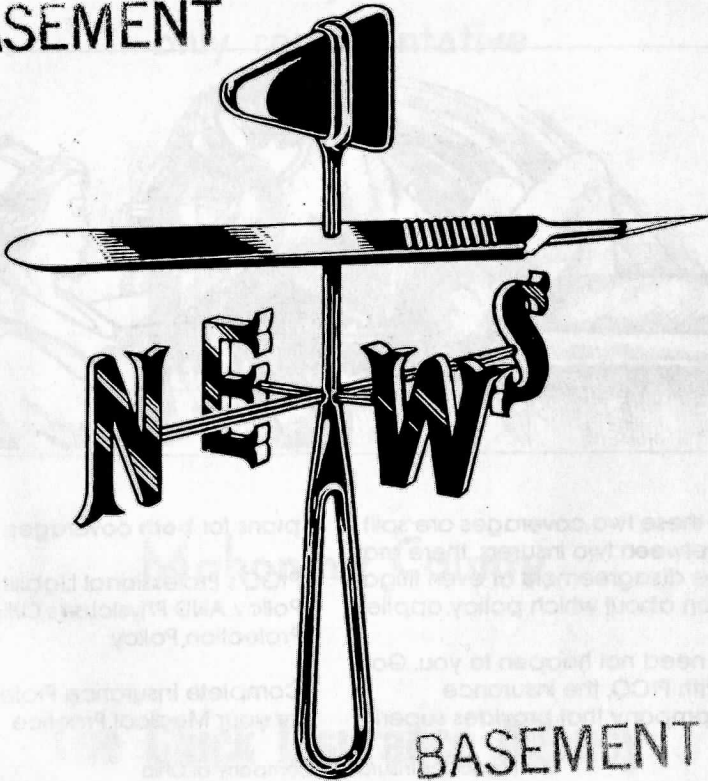
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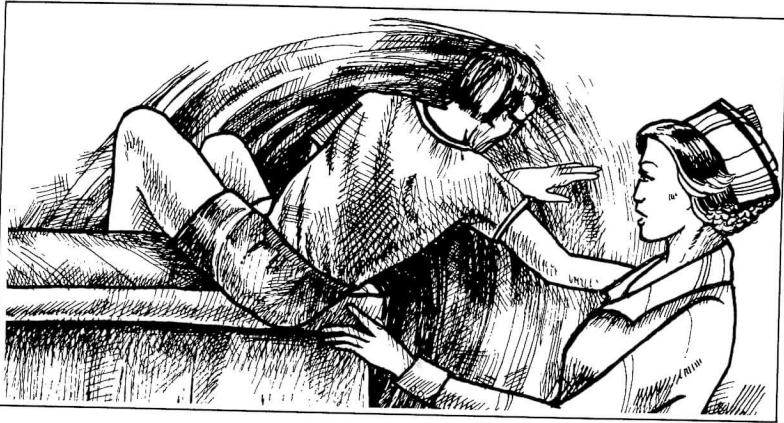


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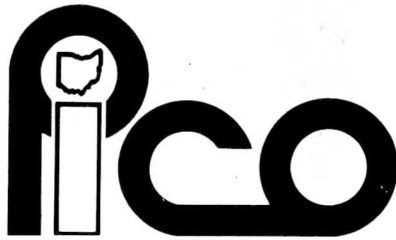
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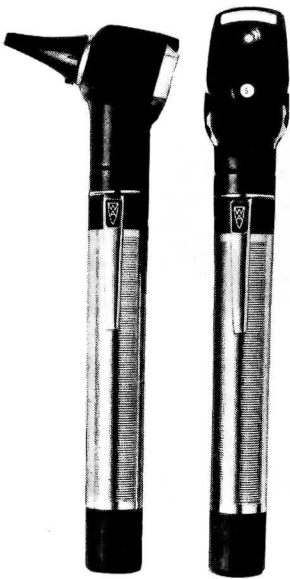
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## *From the Desk of the President*

At the start of a new year, there are the usual hopes and expectations resulting from the feeling that one can now begin with a "clean slate." All the distasteful, discouraging things of the past year are somehow wiped away. We "start afresh" as it were. New resolutions to do better and avoid quagmires and pitfalls of the year gone by, emerge and there is "new (or renewed) hope."

Personally, I see nothing to be optimistic about. There is no "clean slate". Our society's "albatross", — the law suit — continues to rear its ugly head. Long, drawn out legal maneuvers, at a most significant cost to the Society, threaten the very solvency of our organization. A long, costly hospital strike at Y.H.A., even when finally settled, will have a devastating effect on physician morale and resolve. The damage to the health care delivery in our area is obvious. This strike is merely a prognostication of bigger and better strikes to come. The sense of obligation on the part of workers to serve the common good is long gone when policemen, firemen, teachers, hospital workers, etc. can abrogate their responsibilities by withholding service. Will this concept rub off and undermine the dedication of our profession?

Proponents of solutions to the present debacles show sharp divisions amongst themselves. In one word, "divisiveness" continues to plague our medical community. The old, trite, but nonetheless valid phrase "divide and conquer" seems to be particularly appropriate, as our antagonists both from within and outside our government buffet our profession from all sides.

Unfortunately, I must continue to greet the new year with abject pessimism. Erosions of our freedom to practice medicine as our forebears did continue unabated. Our own inability to form some unified consensus lies more at the root of our problem than any other single factor. I must, for the sake of completeness and continuity, exhort our membership to become more active and involved in the affairs of our organization. I do not believe, however, that this year will be any different from the previous ones, so my exhortations are more "lip service" than substance.

Perhaps, the multiplicity of points of view in our profession should be valued as our strength, since this supports the concept of the importance of the individual, and we in medicine are indeed individualists. On the contrary I view it as our "Achilles heel" and feel it will add to our eventual demise as a viable force in the "free enterprise system."

As restrictions, controls, regulations, and the like, continue to engulf us, should we adopt the attitude that we implement the controls? The rationale for this is that we will have a "voice". Or, on the other hand, should we ignore the call to assist in implementation and allow our antagonists to call the shots? A reason given for this approach is that the ultimate blame will fall upon another group rather than our own.

I don't pretend to know the answers to these perplexing questions. Somewhere down the line, when we get to use our retrospectoscope, one of the two sides may or may not be vindicated. Perhaps there is a third alternative. My personal position, at the present time is one of extreme ambivalence.

—George H. Dietz, M.D.  
President



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## Editorial

As we enter the year 1978 let us all resolve, as physicians, to maintain our professionalism.

We are a distinct profession because of our calling, ethics, conduct and aims. Let our contribution to humanity consist in the proper emphasis in care of the body as exemplified by our well run and modern medical clinics and hospitals.

Let us maintain excellence in our schools and universities and let us all strive for fuller justice and sustenance for all our people. As part of our tradition of 2500 years, the medical profession has followed the Hippocratic oath which is properly restated at this time:

"I swear by Apollo, the physician, by Esculapius, by Hygeia, by Panacea, and by all the gods and goddesses, calling them to witness that according to my ability and judgment I will in every particular keep this, my oath and covenant: to regard him who teaches this art equally with my parents, to share my substance and, if he be in need, to relieve his necessities, to regard his offspring equally with my brethren and to teach his art if they shall wish to learn it, without fee or stipulation; to impart a knowledge by precept, by lecture and by every other mode of instruction to my sons, to the sons of my teacher and to pupils who are bound by stipulation and oath, according to the law of medicine, but to no other. I will use that regimen which, according to my ability and judgment, shall be for the welfare of the sick, and I will refrain from that which shall be baneful and injurious, if any shall ask of me a drug to produce death, I will not give it, nor will I suggest such counsel. In like manner I will not give to a woman a destructive pessary. With purity and holiness will I watch closely my life and my art. I will not cut a person who is suffering from a stone, but will give way to those who are practitioners in this work. Into whatever houses I shall enter, I will go to aid the sick, abstaining from every voluntary act of injustice and corruption, and from lasciviousness with women or men . . . free or slaves. Whatever in the life of men shall I see or hear, in my practice or without my practice, which should not be made public, this will I hold in silence, believing that such things

should not be spoken. While I keep this, my oath, inviolate and unbroken, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and my art, forever honored by all men; but should I by transgression violate it, be mine the reverse."

Those of us who disagree with part or all of this oath should bear the burden of giving good cause for altering or amending the principles embodied in this oath.

In closing may I quote Albert Einstein: "Not until the creation and maintenance of decent conditions of life for all men are recognized and accepted as a common obligation of all men shall we be able to speak of mankind as civilized."

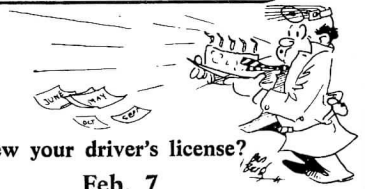
—Dean J. Limbert, M.D.  
Editor

### GME REMINDER

The legal requirement for 150 hours of continuing medical education is now in effect, and all physicians must complete their 150 hours between now and Dec. 31, 1979 in order to reregister their medical license in 1980.

The article "Ohio State Medical Board Physician Relicensure Program," page 724 of the December, 1976 issue of the *Ohio State Medical Journal* gives extensive information. Reprints of the article are available from the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Association.

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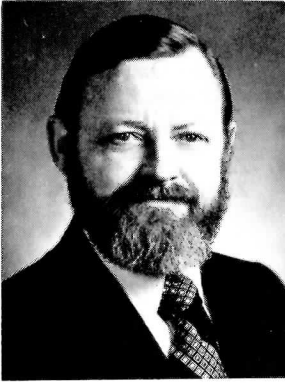
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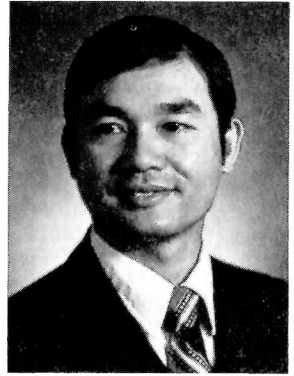
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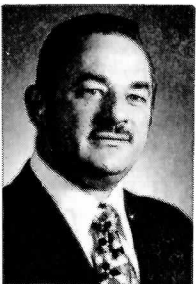


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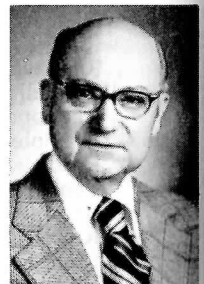
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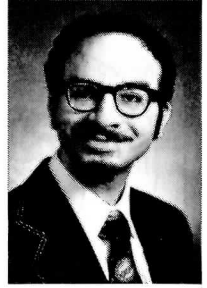
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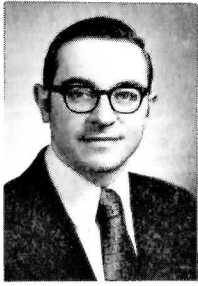
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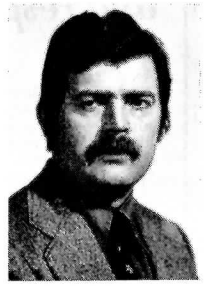
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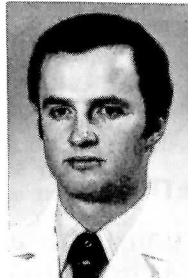
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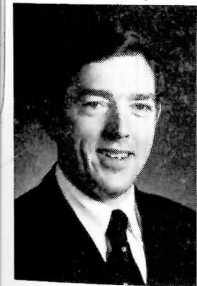


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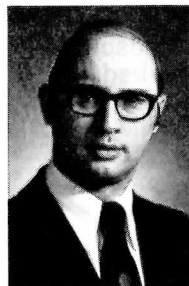
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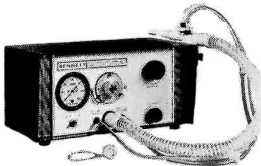
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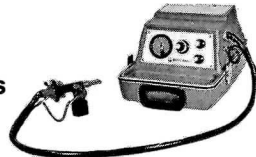


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## INSTALLATION BANQUET IS JAN. 17

The annual banquet for installation of officers, always an enjoyable affair for doctors and their spouses, will be Tuesday, Jan. 17 at the Youngstown Club. Entertainment will feature Sis Soller, famous for her Erma Bombeck routine. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m., preceded by a social hour. Reservations may be made at the office of the Mahoning County Medical Society, 747-4956.

## OSMA OPPOSES AMA'S NHI BILL

At a special meeting of the Ohio State Medical Association House of Delegates, held on Sunday, Dec. 18th, and attended by all of our delegates, the House voted to withdraw support from H. R. 1818, which is the national health insurance bill introduced into congress at the instigation of the American Medical Association.

## COMMITTEES IN NEXT ISSUE

A list of committees for 1978 will be published in the February issue of the *Bulletin*. All members are urged to watch for this and to check for names. The published list is the official notification and committee members are not sent individual letters of appointment.

## NEWS

Dr. S. K. Gandhi became a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons at the College meeting in October at Dallas. Dr. John C. Melnick became a Diplomate of the American Board of Nuclear Medicine at a recent examination of the Board. Dr. Richard James Solyn became a Diplomate of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in December.

## DRUG SUBSTITUTION LAW IN EFFECT

As of Jan. 1, 1978, a pharmacist may substitute a "generically equivalent" for your prescribed drug. All members have received a letter from Dr. James Anderson describing the full aspects of the new law.

## EMERITUS AND HONORARY MEMBERS

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## *In Memoriam*

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### W. STANLEY CURTIS, M.D.

1890 - 1977

Dr. W. Stanley Curtis, 87, died on Tuesday, Nov. 22, of a heart attack at Menands, N.Y., where he has made his home for a number of years.

Dr. Curtis was born in Blackhead, Newfoundland. He received his early schooling at St. John's Methodist College, Newfoundland, attended Canadian universities and was awarded his medical degree at Harvard Medical School in 1925.

In 1926 he entered the practice of medicine at Boston, and, in 1930, he came to Youngstown and opened an office for the practice of Internal Medicine at 292 W. Madison Ave. He was a member of the medical staff of Youngstown Hospital Association.

In 1975, Dr. Curtis received the 50-year award from the Ohio State Medical Association. He had retired in 1969.

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### GEORGE T. SZABOKY, M.D.

1928 - 1977

Dr. George T. Szaboky, 49, died on Tuesday, Dec. 20, of cancer at his home after a long illness.

Dr. Szaboky was born in Budapest, Hungary. He received his medical degree from the University of Medical Science of Budapest in 1954. He served rotating internships at University Hospital of Budapest and, coming to America in 1954, at E. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital, Buffalo. He took a residency in pathology and in orthopedic surgery at Youngstown Hospital Association.

He also schooled briefly at the Graduate School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, then served in the orthopedics departments at Akron Children's Hospital and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. He followed this with a fellowship at the Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia.

In 1965, he came to Youngstown and joined in association with Dr. S. G. Patton, Jr., later opening his own office at Hitchcock Center. He was a member of the International College of Surgeons, and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

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### DRUG SAMPLE COLLECTION HALTED

The collection of drug samples for World Medical Relief, as scheduled by the Woman's Auxiliary for October, 1977, has officially been cancelled. The wisdom and legality of distributing drug samples has been questioned by the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy. Legal opinion developed by the Assistant Attorney General, and forwarded to the OSMA Auxiliary, makes it inadvisable for any county Auxiliary to continue the program.

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### NEUCOM WOMEN'S CLUB ORGANIZED

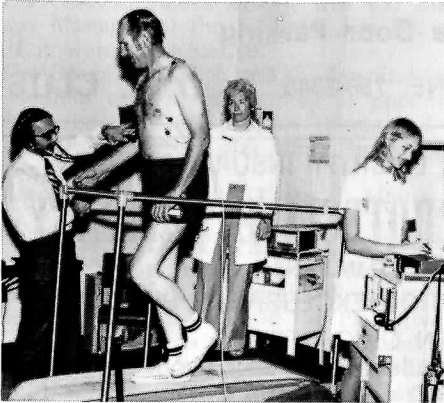
A newly organized Faculty Women's Club of Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine has Mrs. Richard L. Bernstine as its first president. Mrs. Ludwig M. Deppisch was named corresponding secretary. The Club held a Christmas tea at Rootstown to entertain faculty, staff and students of the medical school.





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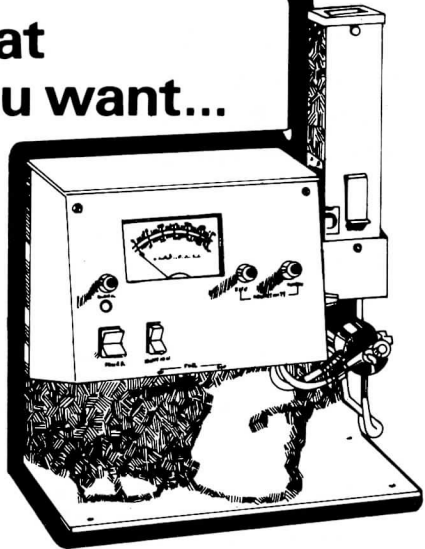
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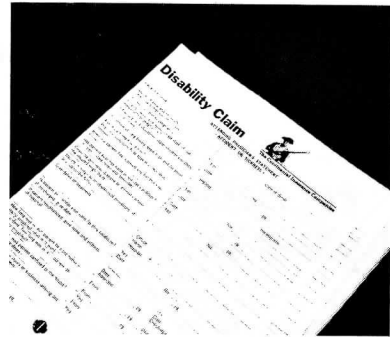
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## From the Bulletin

### FORTY YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1938

The late Claude Norris was President that year. He was Youngstown's first dermatologist, a man of keen mind and charming personality. He came from Oklahoma and was part Cherokee in ancestry. When he got to talking it was impossible to stop him. His President's Page that month ran three pages.

Bill Skipp was President-Elect; Robert Poling was Secretary and Elmer Nagel Treasurer. James Brown was the Editor and Morris Rosenblum the Business Manager of the *Bulletin*. Jim Brown said he would welcome criticism if it were constructive.

The Board of Health and the hospital laboratories were busy that winter with Neufeld tests for the typing of pneumonia. When the type was determined, serum was available to combat all the 32 types of pneumonia. In serious cases the serum was administered intravenously in amounts from 40 to 100 cc.

New members were William E. Maine, Samuel R. Zoss and Stanley A. Myers.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1948

John Noll was President, J. N. McCann the President-Elect, V. L. Goodwin, Secretary and J. K. Herald, Treasurer. C. A. Gustafson was Editor of the *Bulletin* and Mary Herald the Executive Secretary.

The Medical Crier's column predicted that in ten years there would be no new general practitioners. Dr. Eugene Elder was advocating a three-month period of service in the Receiving Hospital for interns. Ivan Smith was elected Commander of the Walter F. Bartz Post of the American Legion.

Sidney Franklin became a member of the Society.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1958

Andrew Detesco was President and M. W. Neidus President-Elect. A. K. Phillips was Secretary. Morris Rosenblum edited the *Bulletin*.

The Asian type of influenza was rampant and doctors were busy. David Belinky, F. Bierkamp and Robert Tornello were victims. There was a serious shortage of hospital beds.

New members were Robert Warnock, J. Werbner, Roy Thomas, Jr., James Medley, James A. Quinn, Michael Szauter, Frederick Sassler, Maria Colucci, Jordan Dentscheff, Vitalif Holonko and Leo Ariel.

Andrew Miglets was President of the Academy of General Practice. Paul Krupko was President-Elect and Clyde Walter was Secretary.

President Detesco appointed a Committee of Reorganization of the Society, a Committee for Epidemic Diseases and a Committee on Attendance. He stated a new epigram: "There is no limit to the good a man can do if he doesn't care who gets the credit!"

### TEN YEARS AGO — JANUARY 1968

R. R. Fisher was President; J. W. Tandatnick was President-Elect. Henry Holden was Secretary and M. C. Raupple was Treasurer. U. H. Boening was President of the Academy of General Practice. J. J. Anderson was Editor of the *Bulletin*.

New members were Fernando Carbonell, Robert Gilliland, Betty Jane Klahr, Joseph Kopinski and Charles H. McGowen.

—Robert R. Fisher, M.D.

### AUXILIARY BRUNCH IS JAN. 17

Dr. Karl Fetters will be the featured speaker at the Guest Day Brunch of the Woman's Auxiliary, Tuesday, Jan. 17 at the Youngstown Club. The meeting is at 11:00 a.m. All physicians' wives are encouraged to attend. Reservations may be made with Camilla Geordan, 782-9481.

## PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

### Dec. 13, 1977

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1977, at the Youngstown Club.

Dr. Schreiber, delegate to the AMA, reported on the December AMA meeting.

The following applications for membership were presented by the Censors:

ACTIVE: John N. Brucoli, M.D.	P. R. Lakhani, M.D.
L. M. Deppisch, M.D.	Fun Cheng Lin, M.D.
D. W. Handel, M.D.	Mohamed M. Masry, M.D.
Gerald Klebanoff, M.D.	Ivan Nenadic, M.D.
Chi S. Ko, M.D.	David E. Pichette, M.D.

The applications were approved. 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 date.

A letter of thanks was received from the American Medical Students Assn. for the \$25 donation we sent for their Fall Workshop in Nashville.

A letter was read from OSMA stating that there will be a special meeting of the House of Delegates, Sunday, Dec. 18. Our delegation will attend.

Correspondence was read concerning collection of sample drugs by the Auxiliary for their World Medical Relief program. The legal implications, as outlined by Brent Mulgrew, OSMA Director of the Dept. of State Legislation, were such that it was agreed there would probably be no drug sample collection this year.

The following motion was passed: Resolved that the Mahoning County Medical Society reaffirm Society policy that we take no action as regards the establishment of a PSRO in Area XIII; that the Society is opposed, in principle, to P.L. 92-603; that it will comply with the law but will not be involved in its' implementation, and that the Society will not oppose any other organization that wants to establish a PSRO for Area XIII, and further, that this resolution be taken to the Society at the Dec. 20th meeting.

A list of retired members was noted. Dr. Sovik will propose these members for Emeritus Membership at the December meeting.

Dr. Anderson noted that it was the last Council meeting for Dr. Schreiber, who has been on Council since 1962. Dr. Schreiber was accorded a standing ovation.

Dr. Tandatnick commended Dr. Anderson for his dedicated leadership during the past year. Dr. Anderson was accorded a standing ovation.

A letter was read from Professional Cardiac Rehabilitation, Inc., requesting endorsement of the Mahoning County Medical Society for their fund-raising program. The motion was passed that Council endorse the fund-raising program and convey the information to the PROCARE organization.

Dr. Anderson urged attendance at the Dec. 20th meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

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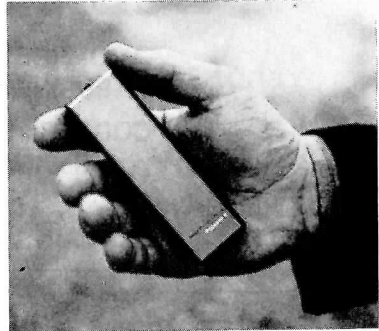
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