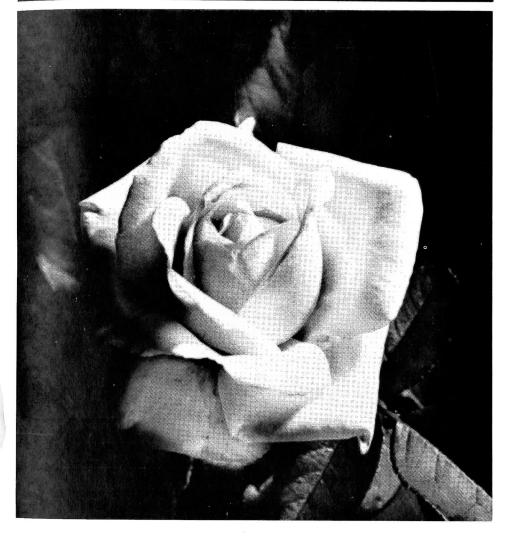
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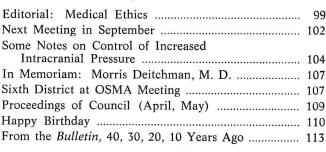
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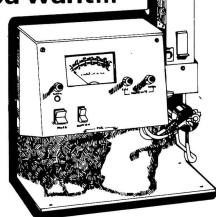
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### **Editorial**

### MEDICAL ETHICS

At the present time there is a certain amount of controversy raging over proposed changes in the *Principles of Medical Ethics* at the A.M.A. level of legislation. Apparently these proposed changes have been instigated at the request of the FTC. It immediately becomes evident that this is another bureaucratic intrusion into the free actions of individuals who have banded together to form a profession. Fortunately, for the moment, the Congress has reacted unfavorably to the autocratic dictatorial mandates of this particular regulatory agency, which has become anathema to anybody even remotely interested in freedom for individuals. Their funds have been frozen, so for the moment they are out of business. With Schiller, I am inclined to say, "Then to that moment, I might say, linger awhile, so fair thou art!"

One of the proposed changes refers to the use of the pronoun 'he' in refering to physicians who may be male, female, or even neuter perhaps. The use of the word 'he' in reference to physician is simply a carry-over from other languages whose proper nouns are either masculine, feminine, or neuter. In all languages the word physician is masculine — le medecin, der Arzt, il medico, etc. This sort of argument is rather ridiculous.

Another of the FTC orders would declare unethical those rules of conduct which would be deemed to affect the price of professional services. Herein we find another effort on the part of the government's bureaucracy to dictate what a man may charge for his services as well as his right to do so. Where socialist governments are concerned everything boils down to economic transgressions. This is so because the materialists base their rule of law on the following premise: "Matter itself contains the seed of life, therefore there is no soul which comes to a person from God, and there is no God."

The new medical ethics suggestions would try to base all actions on law. They do not say whose law, man's or God's. Socialist governments, such as ours is becoming more and more with the passing of every day, are primarily interested in the laws of men because the people who control socialist governments think that they have replaced God with themselves. God, however, is interested in justice, and in the final analysis it is His law which is to prevail. As one watches the further and further intrusion of government into the affairs of individuals, it bases more and more of its

laws on controlling the actions of men to suit the people who control the government, and less and less on justice. Our own government officials would rather not believe in the existence of a Diety to whom one day they must answer. All tyranny proceeds from the desire for temporal good, whereas just law proceeds from the laws of God as given through his prophets. Men have no obligation in conscience to obey injustice in law. At the time of the Nuremberg trials of the Nazi masters, they pleaded that they were only obeying orders from higher-ups. The international court, however, took the position that a government official has an obligation to disobey injustice in law.

These new proposed Principles of Medical Ethics refer to law over and over again, but they do not define what the law is. I presume it can be any law promulgated by any bureaucrat and placed in the Federal Register, whether just or unjust. There isn't even the slightest suggestion as to what standard is to be used in the formulation of this law that is spoken of. It would seem to me to be a deliberate effort of the bureaucracy to interfere in the practice of medicine so that laws can be subsequently formulated to

enslave us even further than we already are.

My recommendation is that the Principles of Medical Ethics should not be changed from what they are at present. After all, they have been only guidelines for a physiican to behave in a moral manner. They are not and have never been hard and fast rules for the benefit of society at large or for government to impose on the medical profession. In the final analysis a man answers, not to a government of men but to God and Justice for his actions here on earth. Men are only interested in maintainig their own welfare, but God is interested in all mankind, and His justice is to be applied equally. In a very few years this justice is to call the bureaucrats to answer for their action and they have already been found wanting. The sentence passed 2000 years ago on the heads of these bureaucrats is soon to be executed, and there is to be no escape for them. Let each man obey his own conscience and forget the imposition of unjust laws.

—Richard D. Murray M.D., M. Sc. (med.) Editor

### **COMMITTEES AT WORK**

- Canfield Fair Committee: On May 7th, the first meeting was held for all of the exhibitors in the Medical Health Building of the Canfield Fair. The building will be open for booth construction in July. Fair dates are Aug. 28 Sept. 1. Dr. Schreiber is chairman.
- **Budget Committee:** The Committee has drawn up a preliminary budget for 1981 which has been approved by Council. It has been stipulated that changes in the budget are expected to be made in accordance with the changes in office personnel for 1981. Dr. Brucoli is chairman.
- **Search (Ad Hoc) Committee:** Resumes from applicants for the position of Executive Secretary are being received at the office. A job description is available to those requesting it. Dr. Chiu is chairman.
- **Insurance Committee:** Outpatient physical therapy has been added to the group hospitalization policy at a nominal fee. Dr. Abdu is chairman.
- Medical Assistants Dinner: The Italian-American Club on Meridian Rd. has been selected as the location for the annual dinner. The date will be the first Thursday in October, Oct. 2nd. Dr. Mahar, Jr. is chairman.
- Grievance Committee: The Committee has met twice so far this year. Meeting dates are deftermined by the number of written complaints received. An agenda of 7 to 10 cases constitutes an evening's work. Dr. Chiu is chairman.



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### NEXT MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

The next meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society will be the now traditional "old fashioned Medical Society meeting" to be held on Tuesday, Sept. 16th at the Maennerchor Club on Mahoning Ave. The social

hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. Members only.

This has proved to be popular with members and has been well attended in the past. As before, it will be primarily a social evening with appropriate beverage served before and during dinner. There will be a minimum of business transacted, although the proposed raise in dues may be brought before the meeting inasmuch as there was not a quorum present at the last meeting.

### **AUXILIARY INSTALLS OFFICERS**

At a May meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Mahoning County Medical Society, the following officers were installed:

> President — Mrs. Richard Bernstine Vice President - Mrs. James Kline President-Elect — Mrs. Y. T. Chiu Secretary — Mrs. Daniel Handel Corresponding Secretary — Mrs. Reed Hoffmaster Treasurer — Mrs. Robert Bacani Past President — Mrs. John Bleacher

### MCMS FOUNDATION WILL MAKE LOANS

The Mahoning County Medical Society Foundation is scheduled to meet on July 15th to consider this year's applications for medical student loans.

The deadline for receipt of applications was June 1st. Conditions of the loans are that the student must have completed one year of medical school; must be a resident of Mahoning or Trumbull counties; and must show need.

Dr. M. S. Rosenblum is chairman of the Foundation committee. Other members are Drs. R. B. McConnell, John C. Melnick, J. B. Werning, S. F.

Gaylord, D. E. Pichette, and B. Patrick Brucoli.

Four loans of \$750 each were made last year. Twenty-nine loans have been made to date by the current Foundation, which superceded the old Medical Service Foundation in 1966.

### MORE NEOUCOM APPOINTMENTS

Physicians approved for clinical faculty rank by the Board of Trustees of Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine at their March meeting are:

Robert Gilliland, M.D. Ying Amorn, M.D. Paxton L. Jones, M.D. Jacques S. Saint-Julien, M.D. Mehdi Soleimanpour, M.D. Consuelo Albarran, M.D.

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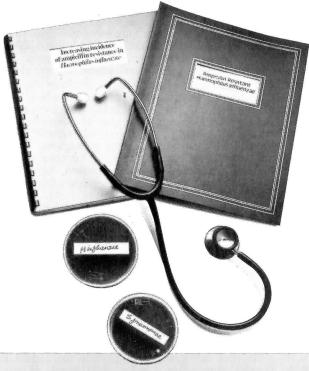
### **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY RETIREMENT SET**

Howard Rempes, who will be entering his 23rd year of service as executive secretary for the Mahoning County Medical Society on Aug. 1st, will retire from that position on Dec. 31st of this year.

A new executive will be selected to begin work with Mr. Rempes on or about Nov. 1st in order to provide a smooth transition. Resumes of appli-

cants are being received now at the Medical Society office.

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### SOME NOTES ON THE CONTROL OF INCREASED INTRACRANIAL PRESSURE

OSCAR TURNER, M.D., F.A.C.S.

Increased intracranial pressure has numerous potential causes varying from cerebral trauma to ruptured aneurisms. It's control has been the subject of renewed interest, particularly in view of the availability of monitoring devices. The use of dehydrating agents constitutes one of the major forms of therapy of increased intracranial pressure and the proper use of available methods may constitute the difference between saving and losing a patient with excessive increased intracranial pressure. The increased pressure had its origin in an increased volume of intracranial components, consisting of either cerebral water, blood or cerebro-spinal fluid. As intracranial pressure increases the intracranial contents are displaced with resultant displacement of cerebral tissue through the tentorial incisura. Ischemia and hypoxia play an important role in the development of neurologic changes.

As intracranial pressure increases there is a resultant depression of respiratory function leading to hypoxia, ischemia secondary to circulatory changes with the neurologic manifestations being a reflection of both cerebral and brain stem dysfunction. If not adequately controlled the increased pressure becomes passively related to the systemic arterial pressure which tends to increase cerebral blood volume to the point where small decreases in arterial pressures produce cerebral ischemia. The combination of inadequate cerebral perfusion associated with compression, herniation and consequent ischemia of vital cerebral structures is responsible for the increase in mortality and morbidity.

Of the various agents used to control increased intracranial pressure Manitol is perhaps the most commonly used. Given intravencusly it will decrease cerebrospinal fluid production and tend to increase cerebral blood flow and reduce intracranial pressure. It has one disadvantage in that there is a secondary rise in intracranial pressure after its affect has occurred.

Glyceol given by mouth is an effective agent but has the disadvantage that it cannot be used over a long period of time because of the tendency for the brain to adapt to the hyperosmolar environment and, thus, reduce the dehydrating effect. A serious complication of glycerol therapy when used over a long period of time is the occurrence of a non-ketotic hyperosmclar coma, which although occurring rarely has a mortality rate of 40 to 60 per cent. The clinical manifestations are those of dehydration, fever, shock and neurologic signs often with seizures and changes in the mental status.

Furosemide (Lasix) approaches a more ideal means of controlling intracranial pressure. Its peak effect occurs in the first or second hour and when given intravenously it is effective for 6 to 8 hours with no late secondary rise in intracranial pressure. As with all dehydrating agents, the presence of hypokalemia, hyponatremia and metabolic acidosis must be anticipated.

Steroids are used frequently in attempts to control increased in tracranial pressure. However, the peak effect usually is between 12 and 24 hours. Steroids have been found to be of lesser value in edema secondary to trauma than where cerebral edema is associated with an intracranial tumor.

Barbiturates are less frequently used than other agents and have the disadvantage of resulting in the loss of all neurologic clinical parameters. Barbiturate therapy to reduce intracranial pressure is best employed where other methods have failed to give adequate results. However, with the use of barbiturates it is necessary that intracranial pressure monitoring devices be available along with cardiac monitoring and means for assistance in ventilation if required.

Table I gives the essential characteristics of the various medications available for reduction of increased intracranial pressure.

# INCREASED INTRACRANIAL PRESSURE

METHOD OF CONTROL	DOSE	PEAK EFFECT	COMPLICATIONS
GLYCEROL	1.54.0 gms/kilo per day In 4 divided doses orally.	90 min. when used orally.	Non-ketotic hyperosmolar coma is used over long periods of time. Diabetogenic effect if used with steroids or phenytoin.
FUROSEMIDE (LASIX) (Oral, I.V. or I.M.)	20-80 mgm. in a single dose. Usual initial dose is 20-40 mgm., I.M. or I.V. Second dose may be given 2 hrs. after or later.	1st or 2nd hour. Duration 6-8 hrs. (no secondary rise in intracranial pressure)	Hypokalemia Hyponatremia Metabolic acidosis Pregnancy
STEROIDS (DECADRON)	Varies. May use 10 mgm. Decadron initially and smaller doses every 4-6 hrs.	12-24 hrs.	Infection. Of lesser value in edema due to trauma. Osteoporosis
MANITOL	1-3 gm/kilo I.V. May be effective with doses as low as 0.25 gm/kilo.	Effective range 4-6 hrs.	Electrolyte loss. Occasionally cardiac decompensation and arrhythmia.
BARBITURATES (TABLE I)	Pentobarbital I.V. Loading dose of 3-5 mgm/kilo. May use 2nd dose in 2 hrs. Maintenance dose 1-3 mgm/kilo each hr. Serum level of at least 3 mgm. %.	Half-life usually 4 hrs. Onset in 1 min.	Loss of all neurologic clinical parameters. Should have ICP monitoring device, cardiac monitoring and ventilation assistance if needed.

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California after a year's illness.

Dr. Deitchman was born in Russia and came to America as a young boy. He attended Shehy and Rayen Schools and Ohio State University where he received his medical degree in 1926. He interned at Youngstown Hospital and took post graduate courses at the University of Pennsylvania.

He opened his office for the practice of internal medicine in 1927. In 1948, he moved to Phoenix, Arizona. After a short retirement there, he joined the staff of a Veterans Administration Hospital, but later resumed

private practice. In 1957, he moved to San Clemente.

He was a member of the American College of Physicians, Sigma Alpha Mu and Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternities. While in Youngstown he was a member of Temple Emanuel and B'nai B'rith.

### SIXTH DISTRICT AT OSMA ANNUAL MEETING

The Sixth District, comprised of the medical societies of Mahoning, Columbiana, Stark and Trumbull counties, was represented by an active and

busy delegation at the OSMA annual meeting at Cincinnati in May.

Chairman of the delegation was Dr. J. James Anderson. Councilor of the Sixth District is Dr. Joseph P. Yut of Canton. Serving on reference committees were Dr. John Melnick, Dr. Joseph Sudimack, Jr. of Trumbull and Dr. Edward E. Grable of Stark. Dr. William E. Sovik was chairman of the credentials committee, and Dr. Raymond J. McMahon, Jr. of Stark was on the nominating committee.

The two primary concerns of the delegation were (1) assuring the reelection of Dr. Jack Schreiber as delegate to the American Medical Association and (2) dealing with the more than 60 resolutions that came before the OSMA House of Delegates this year.

Attending as delegates and alternates for Mahoning County were: Dr. Anderson, Dr. Melnick, Dr. Sovik, Dr. C. Edward Pichette, Dr. P. J. Mahar, Ir., Dr. J. W. Tandatnick and Dr. K. F. Wieneke. In addition to attending daily caucus meetings of the district, these delegates attended hearings before the three reference committees and expressed the viewpoints of Mahoning County and the Sixth District.

Dr. Schreiber was re-elected AMA delegate. Dr. Steward B. Dunsker of Cincinnati was elected president-elect of the Ohio State Medical Association. At the final session of the House, Dr. Robert G. Thomas of Elyria was installed as president by out-going president, Dr. Thomas W. Morgan of

Gallipolis.

Members of the Mahoning delegation reported back to the Medical Society at the May 20th meeting. They received a commendation from the

president, Dr. B. P. Brucoli, and from those members present.

At a photographic exhibition of physicians' work, held in conjunction with the OSMA annual meeting, Dr. Jack Schreiber had several of his photographs accepted and hung.

### "DOCTOR OF THE YEAR" AWARD

It's not too early to be thinking of someone whom you would like to nominate for the annual "Doctor of the Year" award for Mahoning County. Deadline for submission of names will be Oct. 1st.

Any member may submit the name of a doctor whom he thinks worthy of the title. Along with the name, it is requested that documentation be submitted in writing, citing the reasons for making the award to the nominee.

Winner of the 1979 award was Richard D. Murray, M.D. Co-winners in the previous year were Drs. Ramiro Albarran and John N. McCann.

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### PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

(summary of April and May meetings)

The treasurer reported that 15 doctors have sponsored 21 residents in OSMA. This, along with other OSMA members gave the Mahoning County Medical Society 404 members, entitling us to a fifth delegate at the OSMA annual meeting. Seven members still owe 1980 dues.

The following applications for membership were presented by the

Censors:

ACTIVE: Consuelo C. Albarran, M.D. ASSOCIATE: Joseph Anthony Fogarty, Jr., D.O. D. A. Hoffman, D.O.

Abdur Rashid, M.D. Clarence J. Shaffer, D.O.

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

A letter was read from the Youngstown Employment and Training Corporation in regard to physical exams related to the CETA Summer Youth Emplyoment Program. A member of Council volunteered the information that, since the letter was written, the osteopathic hospital had made arrangements for the exams. Council requested that the secretary write and inquire about this and also to advise that individual doctor care is more desirable and also the two hospital clinics and family care centers could be contacted for help.

A letter from Dr. Yut was read soliciting support for an OSMA membership drive. Council requested the president to appoint a member of this Society to work with the state personnel, and suggested that this be the public relations director, T. N. Detesco, M.D.

Dr. Anderson reported on the progress of the lawsuit.

It was reported that the Scholarship Dinner was a success with an excellent speaker in Father Richard Madden. Council made two specific suggestions for next year's Scholarship Dinner: (1) that the dinner be held at some other place, and (2) that we select just one student from each school, since government regulations preclude us selecting one girl and one boy as in the past, which is now decreed to be discriminatory.

The budget committee presented a draft of a proposed budget for 1981, amounting to \$58,000 as compared to the 1980 budget of \$53,000, with the stipulation that the budgeted amounts for employed personnel could be adjusted when we know exactly what the executive secretary and office secretary situation will be. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed

that the budget be accepted with the stipulation as stated.

The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that dues in the Mahoning County Medical Society be raised by \$25 and that this raise be

taken to the next meeting of the Society for a vote.

A report of the insurance committee stated that outpatient physical therapy would be added to our group coverage at a cost of 4¢ per month for single and 10¢ a month for family coverage. The report was accepted. The committee also cited a letter from Blue Cross and Blue Shield in Eastern Ohio announcing an increase in rates for the period beginning July 1, 1980.

A letter from the pharmacists was read in which they presented a serious problem caused by the Ohio Department of Welfare paying in most cases for only generic drugs. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the Council go on record supporting the pharmacists. that they should not be penalized for filling prescriptions written by doctors for specific drugs; that we give moral support to the pharmicists; and that the welfare department be informed that we object to their deciding what they will pay for drugs for welfare recipients, thereby deciding what drugs will be used whereas this should be a judgment made by the patient's physician.

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### **NEWS NOTES**

Dr. William E. Sovik was honored with the presentation of a plaque at the meeting of the Ohio Ophthalmological Society in Cincinnati for distinquished dedication and service to Ophthalmology and to the medical profession. He is only the third person to receive this honor.

Dr. A. K. Phillips was honored at a community meeting held at the Fellowship Hall of St. John Greek Orthodox Church on May 1st. Resolutions honoring him were presented by Mayor Vukovich, Sen. Meshel, Boardman Township trustees and Bishop Maximos of the Greek Orthodox Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Abdur Rashid, a native of Afghanistan addressed the Youngstown

Rotary Club on the subject of conditions in that country.

Dr. Bruce Mirvis has been appointed to represent the Mahoning County Medical Society on the Citizens Advisory Committee on Children Service of the Mahoning County Children Services Board.

Dr. Leonard P. Caccamo has been re-elected chairman of the Board of

Trustees for the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine.

### AMA OFFERS TWO SEMINARS

Two seminars, directed to medical staff, are being offered by the American Medical Association. One is entitled "New Directions for Medical Care - - A Challenge of the '80s," and the other, "Medical Staff: Physician's Friend or Foe?"

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# From the Bulletin

### FORTY YEARS AGO - JUNE 1940

Dr. Bill Skipp was President of the Ohio State Medical Association that year. Thirty-two of our members went to Cincinnati to see him installed. In May the Society gave a dinner at the Youngstown Club in his honor and presented him with a gold watch, suitably engraved. He was a human dynmo, a noted goitre surgeon and was active in every project organized medicine attempted. He helped organize the Speaker's Bureau, was the first business manager of the Bulletin, organized the Medical-Dental Bureau, served as Councilor for the Sixth District, and later was delegate to the A.M.A. from Ohio. He passed away suddenly while still busy and active and his many friends miss him very much.

You could buy a white shirt with your monogram from Strouss-Hirsh-berg's for \$1.64. Four years later, during the war white shirts were hard to find. Dacron and cotton drip-dry shirts were not to be had at any price.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1950

The Democratic National Committee was distributing a booklet entitled "Better Medical Care Than You Can Afford", promoting President Truman's health plan. It promised that "you would choose your own doctor" and would cost less than voluntary insurance.

President Gordon Nelson reported that there was a growing opposition throughout the country to socialized medicine, probably due to the intense educational program carried out by the A.M.A. Polls of the voters on the question of government control of medicine showed that only 10% were in favor of it.

Dr. Frederick Louis Schellhase became a member of the Society.

The Society lost three outstanding members to the grim reaper. John S. Lewis our first urologist, Howard Miller beloved family physician and O. J. Walker outstanding nose and throat specialist were moved upstairs to better quarters.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO - JUNE 1960

S. D. Goldberg was appointed to the Youngstown Board of Health to succeed Dora Schwebel. The other physician member was John F. Stotler.

E. R. McNeal, Fred Coombs and J. P. Harvey went to San Francisco for the meeting of the American College of Physicians.

Kurt Wegner and Leonard Caccamo attended the Symposium of the Deborah Hospital on Congenital Heart Disease in Philadelphia.

The Ohio State Medical Association convention in Cleveland was well attended. Robert Fisher, Nicholas Gordon, Fred Schlecht, Bertram Katz, Morris Rosenblum, David Brown, Craig Wales, H. P. McGregor, Barclay Brandmiller, Walter Tims, F. G. Kraves, Andrew Miglets, J. F. Dulick, Gabriel DeCicco, W. P. Young, Louis Shensa, Arnoldus Goudsmit, Clyde Walter, John Rogers, Arthur Rappoport, Frank Shaw, Wm. Maine, C. A. Gustafson, Sidney Keyes, Mike Steinberg and Bill Flynn were there. Winifred Liu had an exhibit on Exfoliative Cytology.

Fred Friedrich stayed home and covered for seven of his friends. Was he busy!

Steve Ondash was installed President of the Ohio State Surgical Association. John McDonough was taking special training at the Memorial Hospital in New York.

Our good friend Atty. Franklin Powers died of a heart attack.

### TEN YEARS AGO — JUNE 1970

Dr. Sam Goldberg was again reappointed to the Youngstown Board of Health by Mayor Jack Hunter. It was his third 5-year term appointment.

The other physician member was still Dr. John Stotler.

There was a big fuss over the decision to donate \$1000 dollars to the Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association. After a motion to table, a quorum call, a motion to remove from the table, another quorum call, and a lot of argument, the motion passed by one vote. There were thirty members present out of a possible 298, an exact quorum (10%)! What fireworks those 268 members missed by staying home. Bulletin Editor John Melneck had a lot to say about that in his next editorial. Dr. Rashid Abdu also had some pertinent remarks to make on the matter in a letter to the Editor which was printed in the Bulletin. The real villain of the piece was "member apathy" - - - a problem that plagues us still.

New members that month were Leroy Bloomberg, M.D. and Ben C. Bonarigo, M.D. New non-resident member was James S. Cho, M.D. of Warren. Debate continued on the Medical School, Infant Mortality, Legalized

Abortion and Socialized Medicine.

Times change, yet they remain the same.

-Robert R. Fisher, M.D.

### NO JULY, AUGUST BULLETIN

The Bulletin will, as usual, suspend publication for the summer. The

next issue will be the September publication.

Members are encouraged to use the Bulletin. Articles of a scientific nature are desirable. News notes are welcome. Classified advertising is free to members and has produced results. Photographs taken by members or their families are wanted for the covers. These must be prints, and black and white is preferable to color.

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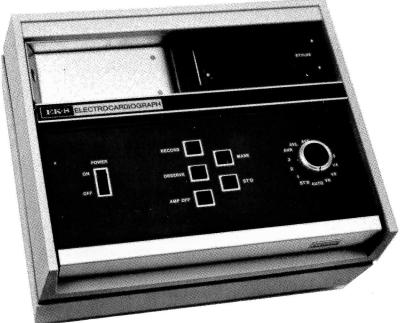
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