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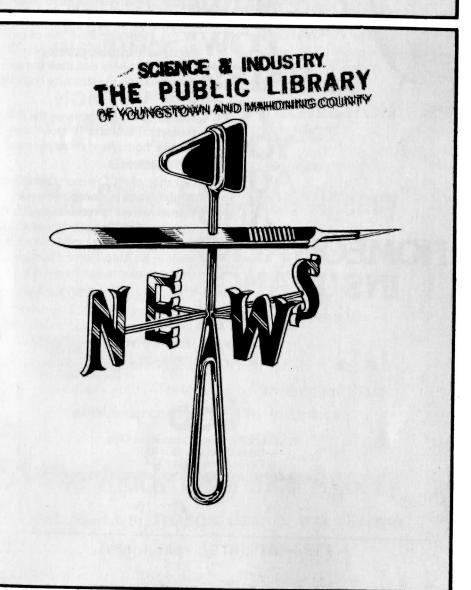
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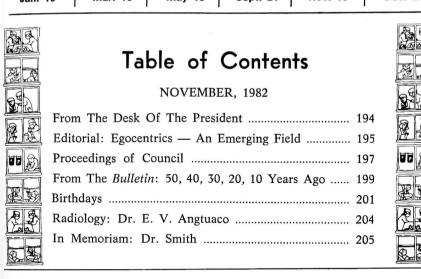
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From the Desk of the President



MEDICAL SOCIETY FUN

November 16 is the one medical society date which is dedicated to fun. This is the night when we meet at The Maennerchor Club at 831 Mahoning Avenue to quaff a stein, see an old pal, make a new friendship, tell a joke and hear half a dozen more. The music will be reminiscent of the old get-togethers at Millikin's farm, but the ball game will have to be on TV. This is the MCMS meeting at which people just drift around and visit with those whom they never have known before. Since our attendance has so greatly increased (at least a 50% gain over each preceding meeting), we probably will use the nicer upstairs room of The Maennerchor where you will have a chance to personally visit with your representative to Congress, Lyle Williams. Lyle will talk to us about what he has been able to do with our malpractice legislation—"Sue if you think you have just cause, but if you lose in the court of law, both you and your attorney will pay a proportion of what you hoped to gain". He will also discuss any other subjects of interest.

We will have a new slate of medical society officers which the nominating committee will have ready for your approval, disapproval, additions or subtractions. In order to make the next 50% increase, we will have to go to an attendance of 400 which is more members than we have, and that is difficult since spouses are never invited to this "FUN MEETING". At least, give us your reservation early and include that other doctor in your office. We want your input as we prepare for another good year for our organization.

R. M. Kiskaddon, M.D.



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Editorial

ECOGENETICS — AN EMERGING FIELD?

OSHA and NIOSH long have recommended or required an elaborate array of preplacement and periodic postemployment exams in addition to environmental controls and work practices in many more areas.

New tests to evaluate genetic predisposition to workplace hazards are being implemented in some places. This approach could be viewed as an attempt to shift responsibility or blame for a problem on the employee while eliminating hazards, or, in utilization of the information to recognize potentially susceptible individuals and to direct preventive and diagnostic care for them by focussing on environmental conditions in the host or his environment.

Carried to extremes this could produce a highly specialized set of individuals, making post World War II space specialists and others crude by comparison.

Picture all testing being done on a person to show that he/she is bestsuited for one particular job. What happens when that person is unavailable for the task? Could the employer afford to have substitutes available? Or, what happens when new technology eliminates that job? A new set of social and economic bugs emerges.

Some folks might refer to this concept as ECO-GENETICS. The potential for revolutionizing and directing our lives is unlimited. Perhaps, with the increasing complexity of society, this may be the future answer to moodaltering agents, used to ameliorate today's cold, hard reality of trial and error.

But then, what will scientists and planners do with those persons who do not fit into the scheme of things?

And, will they be able to evaluate not only skills and adaptability for a particular job but also the necessary attitude for success? Or, will society as a whole rebel against the concept and move in a new direction?

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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL October 12, 1982

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical

Society was held Tuesday, October 12, 1982 at the Youngstown Club.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Kiskaddon at 7:45 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting, having been read, were corrected to read "The impact of the legislative changes proposed by the Physical Therapists has an impact on all physicians, not only Physiatrists."

The bills were read and a motion made, seconded and passed to pay

each bill.

The treasurer reported six members still had not paid 1982 dues; billing has begun for 1983 collection of dues.

The following applications were presented by the censors:

ASSOCIATE:

Roop K. Kollipara, M.D. Venkata S. K. Kollipara, M.D. Parduman Singh, M.D. ACTIVE:
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Frank J. Stefanec, D.O.

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

The Leadership Conference being held Nov. 11 - 13 at the Marriott Inn in Columbus was announced. Any officers interested in attending should

contact the Society office.

Dr. Kiskaddon called attention to a letter received from Hillside Hospital asking for help in passing their renewal levy. It was moved, seconded and passed that the Mahoning County Medical Society go on record as endorsing

the Hillside Hospital Renewal Levy.

Dr. Kiskaddon reported the Harvey Lectureship was well received and an attendance of 250 was reported by the Medical School. It was emphasized that another time we must be sure that the flyers sent to the hospital staffs include the dental staff members and clearly state that reservations are needed for the dinner preceding the lecture.

Dr. Kiskaddon reported the Medical Assistants' Dinner was a huge success attended by 420 people. Dr. Dietz and his staff were thanked for

the fine job done in obtaining the prizes.

Dr. Pichette stated that the Committee for the Medically Indigent will

have a report at the next meeting.

It was noted that the bill regarding the Physiatrists-Physical Therapists

has been withdrawn from the Ohio Legislature.

A letter from the Bar Association Medical-Legal Committee was read by Dr. Kiskaddon and thoroughly discussed. It was moved, seconded and passed that Dr. Kiskaddon send a reply, listing the three points we had originally decided upon.

A proposed change in the by-laws regarding members who have no paid dues by June 30 was read and discussed. The vote was negative and

the proposed change defeated.

Dr. Kiskaddon noted that it is time to begin thinking about resolutions to be presented at the OSMA House of Delegates meeting next spring. March 1 is the deadline for presentation of the resolutions.

Dr. and Mrs. Kiskaddon represented the Medical Society at a meeting

of Planned Parenthood.

Members were reminded of the OSMA Telecourse for C.M.E. credits.

The next meeting of Council was announced for November 9. The next Society meeting will be November 16 at the Maennerchor. Lyle Williams will be present.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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FIFTY YEARS AGO - NOVEMBER 1932

Council was enlarged by the addition of the editor and the delegates. The members were feeling the pinch of the Depression, and it was decided to reduce next year's dues from fifteen to ten dollars.

The Health Department reported seven cases of Diptheria, eleven of

Typhoid and one of Smallpox.

The quotation on the cover was from Oliver Wendell Holmes: "The young man knows the rules, but the old man knows the exceptions".

FORTY YEARS AGO — NOVEMBER 1942

Those were dark days for the Society, so many members gone and the rest overworked. The November meeting was held in the nurses' lecture room at the South Side Unit, and it was not near filled.

Gasoline and tires were rationed. Doctors were given a "C" book which entitled them to more gasoline, but they were given strict orders by the ration-

ing board to use it "only in the service of humanity".

Capt. P. L. Boyle and Capt. L. K. Reed left for Officers Training School at Miami Beach. A. K. Phillips, J. J. Sofranec and Fred Schellhase were gone. Dave Belinky, Joe Colla, J. L. Scarnecchia and L. S. Shensa were back home on leave, parading around in their new uniforms. Paul Harvey and Ray Fenton went up to Cleveland and tried to force their way into the Navy. They didn't make it. but I. L. Fisher did.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — NOVEMBER 1952

Diabetes Week was observed that month under the aegis of Morris Rosenblum with Dr. Henry T. Ricketts here from Chicago, exhibits in the hospitals and free urinalysis in the doctors' offices.

The State Bureau of Motor Vehicles announced that special license plates bearing the word "Physician" would be available in 1953.

President Truman urged the American Hospital Association to accept his plan for compulsory health insurance. Oscar Ewing was planning even then to tie it in with Social Security.

New members that month were: Edmund A. Massulo, James L. Smeltzer, Milan Halmos, Robert E. Jenkins and Robert W. Parry. John E. L. Keyes completed twelve years as an examiner for the American Board of Ophthalmology.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — NOVEMBER 1962

It was the ninetieth birthday of the Medical Society and the Bulletin celebrated the occasion by using one of the first of its covers.

There was a long article by the late Louis Deitchman reviewing the history of the Society from the old minutes.

President Stertzbach urged support for the Esther Hamilton "Alias Santa

Claus" show coming up in December.

New members that month were: James Samuel Bates, Robert James Brocker, Karol Alexander Hoffman, Carl B. Klodell, David Silver, John Tullai, Julio Roberto Serrano and Michael Joseph Vuksta.

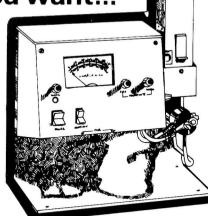
TEN YEARS AGO — NOVEMBER 1972

The big Centennial celebration ended on Saturday, November 4th. Mayor Tack Hunter proclaimed the week "Mahoning County Medical Society Week" and presented an official proclamation to President Dr. Henry Holden. Screen actress Elizabeth Hartman performed at the Centennial celebration in the newly refurbished Powers Auditorium, playing in an original play, "The Sugar Plum" created for the occasion. Mayor Hunter presented her with the key to the city.

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Also a new street, created between Woodland Avenue and Ridge Avenue, and serving as an access to the Eye Care Clinic and the South Unit Emergency Entrance, was to be named "Dutton Street", after Youngstown's

first practicing physician.

Editor John Melnick had another excellent article on the history of medicine in Mahoning County. This article, complete with pictures of early downtown Youngstown and pictures of many of Youngstown pioneer physicians was by far the finest piece of research and historical reporting that John Melnick had done and served as the "Piece de Resistance" for the Bulletin in that Centennial year.

New members that month were Simon A. Basile, John S. Conte, Karl F. Wieneke, Jr. for active membership and Radha Krishna Murty and Milton L. Paige for associate membership. What large sets of shoes they had to fill!

Robert R. Fisher, M.D.

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Fifty years ago United States Senator Wagner addressed the convention of the American Medical Association in Atlantic City. He said "The government knows nothing about your patients. It knows only about its citizens who are sick."

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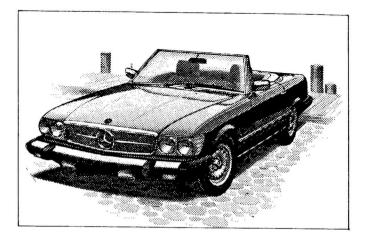
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Ultrasound has proven to be accurate, non-invasive. easily-performed and radiation-free. The high resolution gray-scale B-scan has recently been augmented by real-time dynamic ultrasound. Presence of and nature (solid, cystic, mixed) of masses have been detected. Gallstones, dilated biliary ducts and their obstructive causes (such as mass at the head of the pancreas) can be imaged. Aortic aneurysms with intraluminal clots can be visualized and aneurysmal size monitored periodically. Gestational age, fetal maturity and abnormalities, growth retardation and placental location can be detected. Gynecological uses include tumor detection, ectopic pregnancy, localization of LUD'S and diagnosis of PID. With ultrasound, needles can be guided for aspiration biopsy, amniocentesis and drainage of abscesses.

Angiographic technical skills and expertise led to interventional radiology wherein a radiologist may intercede to prevent surgery or treat when surgery cannot be done. Percutaneous transluminal balloon angioplasty has been used successfully in iliac - femoral - popliteal arteries, renal, celiac. superior mesenteric and coronary arteries. Percutaneous catheter drainage of the biliary and urinary systems, catheter retrieval of retained gallstones, lung needle biopsies and other organ biopsies can be done under fluoroscopy, ultrasound or C. T. guidance. Massive bleeding from gastric and duodenal ulcer and colonic diverticula have been successfully stopped either by Gelfoam embolization or Pitressin intra-arterial infusion.

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With all this new technical availability, all physicians must keep abreast of developments to continue giving quality care. Ernesto V. Angtuaco, M.D.

In Memoriam ____

JOHN HAROLD SMITH, M.D. 1905 - 1982

Dr. John H. Smith, 76, died Saturday, August 7, 1982. He was in the

general practice of medicine.

Dr. Smith was born in Beloit, Ohio in 1905. He graduated from Damascus High School, received his undergraduate degree in 1928 from Mt. Union College, and his medical degree in 1935 from University of Louisville School of Medicine. He interned at Elyria Memorial Hospital, Elyria, Ohio; and Aultman Hospital, Canton, Ohio. His postgraduate courses included Surgical Technique under A. V. Partipilo at Chicago Post Graduate School of Surgery. He was a staff physician at Massillon State Hospital for one year. He took three months of graduate study at Ohio State University in 1931.

Dr. Smith was in practice in Sebring, Ohio from 1938 until his retirement in 1975. He was active in the Sebring Businessmen's Association and a

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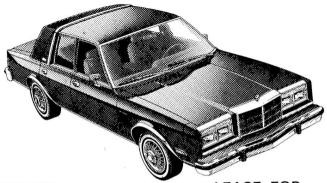
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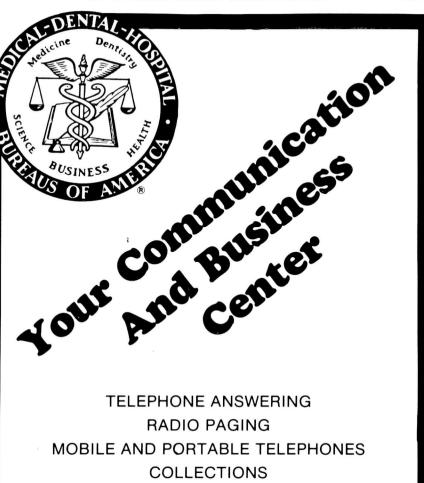
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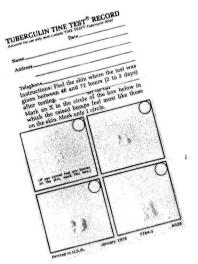
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