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EDITORIAL PAGE

A Review of Policy American Osteopathic Association

The House of Delegates of the American Osteopathic Association has the responsibility of establishing the policies of the Association. Inherent in this responsibility is both the development and the protection of the profession. The House of Delegates has the authority and the organizational procedures to execute that responsibility. Recognizing its responsibility, the House of Delegates approves the following statement:

"A primary objective of the osteopathic profession is to make available to the public the best health care. Toward the fulfillment of this goal, the American Osteopathic Association is prepared to cooperate with any other professional group whenever such cooperation may be expected to lead to improved health service to the public. It is recognized that the public has suffered from the failure of professional groups to cooperate in establishing non-discriminatory use of public hospitals, unrestricted opportunity for graduate training, ethical relationships among the healing professions and unhampered opportunity to develop the osteopathic concept. Consultation among interested and responsible groups to discover and explore opportunities for cooperation and to examine difficulties in areas in which the various schools of medicine exercise their responsibilities can be effective in finding such areas of cooperation and in solving mutual problems. Firm in the conviction that original and important contributions to health care have been made by osteopathic physicians and surgeons, and equally firm in the belief that the osteopathic profession can best develop those contributions for the welfare of humanity, the American Osteopathic Association reaffirms, in the strongest terms possible, its policy of maintaining a separate, complete and distinctive school of medicine. This reaffirmation is founded in the belief that only as a separate and distinct school of the healing arts can the osteopathic profession fulfill its duty to the public. (House—July, 1952—pp. 28, 29)."

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1955 Annual Convention of Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons

The 1955 annual convention will be held at the Rice Hotel in Houston on May 12, 13 and 14. The Association is working diligently to present a program that will be of interest to the profession. Several basic changes in the program have been made this year, and the Association is hopeful for a good attendance.

The general session opens on Thursday morning, May 12, with a symposium on "Laboratory Aids in Diagnosis." Dr. William Baldwin of Philadelphia, member of the Board of Trustees of the American College of Osteopathic Internists, will be the moderator. Further information concerning Dr. Baldwin may be found in a later issue of the TEXAS OSTEOPATHIC JOURNAL.

Thursday afternoon there will be a symposium on Public Health with Dr. E. C. Baum as moderator. We will have as guest speakers, Dr. John P. Delaphane of Texas A. & M. College and also Dr. L. P. Walter of the Texas Department of Health. Dr. Myron S. Magen will also appear on this program.

Friday, May 13, there will be a symposium on renal diseases. Several members of the profession in Texas will assist Dr. William Baldwin and Dr. John H. Pulker on this subject. Dr. John H. Pulker is the radiologist at Flint, Michigan and is the President

of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology. We will be further honored by the presence of Dr. J. W. Mulford, President of the American Osteopathic Association, who will bring us up to date on the latest milestones of the osteopathic profession.

Saturday morning, May 14, there will be presented a symposium on athletic injuries. Coaches and athletic directors will be invited to this meeting. This issue will carry the pictures and autobiographies of several of the participants of this symposium. Following the athletic symposium the Harris County Osteopathic Society will hold a luncheon honoring the man responsible for the outstanding coaching job of the year. Also, the outstanding high school athlete will be recognized. Matty Bell, Athletic Director of Southern Methodist University, will be the principal speaker and will show film highlights of some of the SMU football games. Sports writers and sportscasters will also be guests of the Association, as well as some of the most outstanding athletes in the state of Texas.

Of special interest at the convention will be the meetings of the specialty groups. Time has been allotted on Friday and Saturday mornings for these group meetings. Further information will be given in later issues of the TEXAS JOURNAL prior to the annual

convention. The Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons urges all physicians to make early plans to be present at the meeting in Houston.



Dr. Robert E. Morgan has been active in athletic work since his graduation from the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery in 1925. He has been connected with the athletic department of Southern Methodist University since 1926, and has been physician for the athletic department since 1932.

He has also been physician for the National Amateur Wrestling Tournament held in Dallas and for the National A.A.U. gymnastic championship for men and women. For many years he worked with the Golden Gloves Tournaments in Dallas and was physician for the Greater Texas Pan-American Exposition where all the great athletes in the United States and South America competed in track and field events.

Dr. Morgan has appeared on many athletic programs including radio and television. He has been active in association affairs at all levels having served as county and state president, chairman of many important committees, a dele-

gate and a trustee of the American Osteopathic Association.

He is well known for his work with the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars and has served the American Legion as a delegate of both state and national organizations. He has been active in Boy Scout work and is a Mason and a Shriner. He has worked diligently and has served much time in organizational work for the osteopathic profession.



Dr. Richard A. Thompson of Detroit, Michigan is a past president of the Wayne County Osteopathic Association and is a past chairman of the staff at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital. He has been team physician for the Detroit Lions professional football team for the past two and a half years.



Mr. Matty Bell has been an outstanding figure in the sports world for more than a third of a century. He gained wide recognition as a football player at North Side High School in Fort Worth and at Centre College before he accepted

a position as head football coach at Haskell Institute. After two years at the Institute, he moved to Carroll College as head coach, and a year later, in 1923, he became football coach at Texas Christian University which had just been admitted to the Southwest Conference.

Six successful years at TCU were followed by five years as head coach at Texas A. & M. Then in 1934 he became line coach at SMU, and when Ray Morrison moved to Vanderbilt in 1935, Mr. Bell succeeded him as head coach at SMU, a position he held until January 1950. He was on leave of absence for three years when he served as a commander in the USNR. Upon his return from the Navy in 1945, Mr. Bell was named director of athletics at SMU, assuming that responsibility in addition to his football duties.

During his years as a football coach, Mr. Bell's teams won 155 games, lost 86 and tied 17. His SMU teams played in the Rose Bowl once and the Cotton Bowl twice. His Mustangs won the Conference championships in 1935, 1947 and 1948 and tied for the title in 1940.

While he was head coach at SMU, Mr. Bell received many national honors. In 1948 he finished second in the poll

to name the coach of the year. He was president of the American Football Coaches Association longer than any other executive, and was also a member of the NCAA Football Rules Committee. He has coached all-star teams for the East-West and North-South games and for games with the pros.

Dr. Denslow Named To Special Committee

Dr. J. S. Denslow, professor of osteopathic technic and director of research affairs at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, has been appointed a member of the special committee of the Bureau of Professional Education and Colleges of the American Osteopathic Association to study ways and means of improving the teaching of osteopathic technics in the osteopathic colleges.

The committee for this special study is made up of three members of the Bureau of Professional Education and Colleges and three representatives from the faculty of osteopathic colleges. The college representatives have been selected upon the basis of replies to a questionnaire sent out recently by the Bureau to all Doctors of Osteopathy who have graduated during the past five years.

General Practitioners to Meet

The State General Practitioners Association will hold their Spring meeting on Sunday, March 27 at the Hotel Texas, Fort Worth, from 10:30 to 4:30. There will be a dinner for the group at noon time.

The theme for this day's program will be Pediatrics—for the General Practitioner. Interesting problem cases will be presented from the Child Health Clinic which takes place two days previously. Speakers for the day will be Myron D. Jones, D. O., Kansas City; Charles M. Hawes, D. O., Ralph I. McRae, D. O., and Myron S. Magen, D. O., of Dallas.

This program is being set up in the interest of general practitioners and it is hoped by the planning committee, that members and non-members too, will take advantage of the opportunity to hear this fine group of speakers.

Uses and Abuses of Group Insurance Benefits

MR. NILS H. MUNSON, Insurance Manager, Legal Department, The Dow Chemical Co., Midland
Courtesy of Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

As physicians and surgeons you have seen many different insurance plans. You know at first hand the burden imposed by loss of income and medical and hospital expenses in cases where there is little or no insurance. Most of you have failed to send a bill on more than one occasion when you learned that the loss of earnings and unavoidable hospital expenses might exhaust your patient's savings. You will most likely do it again and again.

As Insurance Manager for one of the large chemical companies, I believe you and I have much the same objective as respects Group Insurance. We see hardship and want to do something about it. Better still, we see how *something can prevent hardship and that something is a well engineered and well respected insurance plan.*

You will no doubt agree that no form of Group Insurance should be expected to be a panacea. No form of Group Insurance should diminish entirely an individual's assumption of personal responsibility and initiative. Group In-

surance was originally conceived to spread the risk and thereby ease the burden of all participants in the event of serious injury or sickness. It was not conceived, however, as a means of insuring that all participants could have a daily, weekly or monthly stipend totally eliminating all medical expenses whether they were curative or preventive.

An example of the impracticability of such a program is the case where a group of 2000 individuals working in a given industry decided that they would cooperatively insure all X-ray costs up to \$25 a year for each participant. The going insurance rate for such coverage was at that time 30c per month, or \$3.60 per year per individual. The insurance cost then for 2000 people would be \$7200. Such a plan seemed feasible because of the possibility that a limited few of the 2000 would avail themselves of the unrestricted privilege. But having X-rays taken for preventive or diagnostic purposes whether or not needed was something to think about. After a couple of years or so one or more members

ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY

APRIL 25 THROUGH 30, 1955

The Graduate Division of the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery announces another course in Electrocardiography for the week of April 25 through 30 under the direction of Dr. Jacob Rosen of the Faculty. This is a unique opportunity for both beginning and advanced electrocardiographers to learn a rationale of interpretation that does not depend on "pattern" reading.

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of this group might boast of the fact that he got \$25 worth of X-rays for only \$3.60 in a given year. Whereupon some of his fellow participants might feel that they were getting gypped, but they wouldn't be gypped any longer—so out they'd go for the X-rays. If only 25% of the 2000 availed themselves of the privilege, the underwriters would have to pay out \$25 for each of 500 people—a total outlay of \$12,500, which, balanced against the \$7200 premium would of necessity call for an increase in premium to be paid by each individual thereafter if the underwriters were to stay in business.

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This is probably not the type of insurance which you as members of the osteopathic profession would sanction or support. You no doubt would much prefer to see a program which affords catastrophic protection — a program which shares the cost with the individual insured, thereby making life easier for him. A program which guaranteed medical and hospital expenses *without further expense to the insured* would be fraught with the same difficulties as outlined in the X-ray insurance plan. It might give birth to the evils of malingering on the part of your patients and suggest unscrupulous practices to any who had a tendency toward trying to get something for little or nothing. Eventually, such a situation could lead to the assumption of medical and hospital obligations by taxation and the administration of a socialized plan of medicine by Governmental authority.

Group insurance is a relative newcomer in the insurance field. Group *life* insurance made its first important start during and after the first World War. By 1929 it was still in its infancy—a lusty one true, but only a little more than 5,000,000 employees insured for about \$9,000,000,000. Today, only 25 years later, there are roughly 40,000,000 employees insured for close to \$80,000,000,000 of protection.

Group Disability and Sickness Insurance has paralleled the growth of Group Life Insurance so that today, including individual policies, more than 70% of U. S. Tradesmen and industrial workers are assured that at least some income source will be available to close the gap caused by unfortunate illness or disability.

The growth of insurance plans to meet the cost of medical and hospital services has been even *more* remarkable. In just about 20 years our medical insurance plans in the United States have grown from practically nothing to a point where almost 100,000,000 people have some hospital insurance; over 80,000,000 have some surgical and or other medical

insurance; and about 5,000,000 are covered for substantially complete medical services. This latter group of 5,000,000, with essentially complete protection, represents only about 3% of our total population, but interest in such overall protection is increasing very rapidly.

This points out the need for a more intelligent approach to the problems of Group Insurance than perhaps any of us has given in the past. To avoid some of the pitfalls which might lead to socialized medicine we should, of course, consider the problem of extending coverage to the so-called medically indigent—also to farmers and others who are self-employed.

Much of the current interest in the area of use of Group Insurance (including Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans) centers around the question of how far such plans should go in meeting all of the costs of medical services.

The typical insurance plan today, no matter how it is underwritten, provides benefits which generally meet *most* of the costs of *most* hospital confinements and surgical operations. The typical plan, however, does not adequately cover the costs of the less frequent hospital confinements where extended treatment and/or elaborate medical services may be required. Nor does the typical plan generally cover the costs of medical care not involved in hospital confinement, whether these costs are "catastrophic" expenses or merely expenses for diagnostic services or treatment of minor ailments. These, then, are the gaps which must be considered.

There are those who feel that *all* medical services should be provided by the Government. Such a *use* of Group Insurance *could*, of course, *lead to great abuse*. Whether because of or in spite of the English experience with socialized medicine, I feel sure that most American farmers, tradesmen and industrial laborers would join with industrialists, doctors and other professional people in opposing any socialized Group Insur-

ance Plan as being incompatible with our American way of doing things.

If there could be a form of socialized medicine which would not be subject to direct Government control, our problem might be quite different. Idealistically, if the plan were jointly conceived by, funded by and administered by a medical and insurance group we might come as close to Group Insurance perfection as we possibly could.

I should be the *last* to say that socialized medicine as practiced in England or as might be practiced anywhere else would give rise to a generation of hypochondriacs; and yet such regimentation includes the possibility and probability of greatly increasing the membership in the hypochondriac fraternity. However, a defensive fight against socialized medicine could bring about at most a stalemate. Therefore, it is up to us laymen and you medical men to

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combine our efforts in proving that Group Insurance without Government control is superior psychologically, physiologically, philosophically and economically. The vital doctor-patient relationship can then, and *should be* preserved indefinitely!

There is much that employers, insurance companies and Blue Cross and other voluntary insurance agencies can do in furthering the growth of medical plans to meet our highest objectives. But there is something that you as doctors can also do.

As respects the employers and insurers, perhaps the most constructive contribution they can make is to guide the extension and expansion of plans in the direction where they can do the most good for the least money. You as Doctors can assist your group-insured patients to use their insurance for the combined benefit of themselves and their fellow-assureds. You should dis-

courage all but necessary uses of insurance.

One of our largest insurance companies advises that although there are almost as many variations of "participating plans" as there are employers who have adopted comprehensive medical plans, experience shows that where the individual shares modestly in the cost of *major* medical expenses and where *minor* expenses are assumed directly by the individual, the most effective use is made of available funds, medical personnel and medical facilities. Conversely, where insurance plans attempt to cover all medical expenses in their entirety, costs are inclined to increase, hospital facilities to become overcrowded and medical personnel harassed and overworked.

As respects your place in this picture, you, as doctors, must take a realistic look at the problem, not only through your own eyes, but through the eyes of your

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In discussing the abuses of Group Insurance, it is most difficult to evaluate and describe what is and what is not over-utilization in every instance. Perhaps none of us can even guess how much or how little over-utilization presently exists. Certainly, some of the increase in the use of hospital and other medical services and facilities is a healthy development reflecting an improvement in American standards of medical care. Nevertheless, it is something which also involves professional medical judgment.

No one would question that the most important consideration is the health of the patient. On the other hand, as we look at claim forms and listen to discussions in professional circles, we come to believe that the problem of over-utilization *could* develop into an increasingly serious factor in the cost of medical care and protection. The most obvious effect of over-utilization is an economic one, but cannot unnecessary hospital confinement also have a nega-

tive effect upon the *quality* of medical care?

How often has it been necessary to defer desirable (although possibly not vital) hospital confinement because of crowded facilities? How many of the beds at such times, do you suppose, were occupied of necessity? Possibly not most, but probably too many of the confinements could and should have been avoided. For example, a report of a recent study in Michigan covering 14,000 cases over a two-year period indicated that in one-third of the cases there was some evidence of unnecessary use of service and the cost of this over-use was estimated at 18 cents out of every dollar.

I believe that some of these considerations also apply to diagnostic services rendered outside the hospital.

If unlimited funds and facilities were available, we could provide the most deluxe kind of medical service, and as much as both the patient and doctor considered adequate. But funds are not unlimited. There are so many other demands on employer and employee dollars, such as Life Insurance, Pensions, Paid Vacations, etc., that just so much is left for medical insurance, and if these dollars are used upon the less necessary services, there won't be enough left to pay for the serious and unpredictable medical expenses which, today,

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At our hospital, an *independent* committee of five staff physicians audited charts for one month and noted the following criticisms of their own group:

1. Admitted for purely diagnostic purposes only. These admittances could easily have had their investigative studies done either at doctors' offices or as outpatients. Medical cases, such as allergy studies, anemias, colitis, gastro-intestinal upset and headaches were the worst offenders.

2. Patients receiving X-ray therapy or physiotherapy treatments in hospital when they did not really require hospitalization. These were cases of hospitalization for convenience.

3. Patients receiving prolonged pre-operative medications and treatment. This was usually done, to conform with the physicians' operating schedule. Either the doctor was too busy to put the patient on the boarding when the patient was ready, and postponed it for his own convenience (especially true if the patient was given a late boarding which might conflict with office hours), or the doctor delayed the case because he operated at that particular hospital only on certain days due to other hospital affiliations.

4. Orthopedic patients with prolonged hospital stay even though they may be ambulatory. Some of these included a 27-day banjo splint on a finger, and a walking cast for Potts fracture of the ankle. Their defense was present day socio-economic conditions, i. e., the patients lived in rooming houses, dormitories or crowded homes.

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b. The second was an acute ulcer case which required "complete bed rest" and "no visitors" written on the chart. But two lines below this requirement, the following was written:

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and two hours in the afternoon." And below this it said: "Allow patient to be absent from hospital two hours Thursday to go downtown for business purposes."

6. Over-usage of medication. As an example, one patient was kept on penicillin and on expensive vitamin preparation every four hours for 14 days. The cancellation of drugs by the physician had been overlooked.

7. Unnecessary laboratory tests ordered. Slot machine diagnoses sometimes are made by staff physicians who desire to make an impression. They order all the laboratory tests in the book, hoping one will come up with a positive result.

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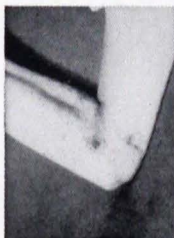
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on clinic outpatients. In these instances, the attending physician is either forgetful or doesn't know that this work has already been done prior to the patient's admission. Poor workups before admission also may be responsible for this abuse."

We have considered a few of the many problems which prevent all insurance plans from attaining the ideal. One other, which needs little amplification, is the simple truism that incentive may be good or bad. You, as Doctors, give much to society, so when society offers you something in return there's only the question of degree or ethics which should prevent your acceptance. Society offers many Group Insurance plans—and the plans, in turn, offer an assurance that you Doctors will receive your fee. They even specify how much you will receive, *whether or not* you do a good job. Perhaps none of you or your medical friends would charge a higher fee for services just because insurance might be in the picture. But insurance plans offer that temptation.

The practice of gauging fees by the insurance coverage available can make or break most plans. Group Insurance rates and premiums, as for other forms of Insurance, are predicated in one way or another upon experience of the hazards insured. Increased insurance benefits, increased medical and hospital charges and increased insurance premiums can dance around the Maypole just so long. Let's hope they don't get into the vicious circle which can be broken only by Government intervention.

We have all witnessed to our displeasure the tremendous rise in the cost of automobile insurance in recent years. Part of this has been due to inflation, to increased accident rates and to changes in the physical design of our cars. But much of it also has been due to abuses—from the padded repair bill to the exorbitant damage claim or judgment. Each abuse of a group in-

surance program likewise contributes to its cost and thereby leaves us that much farther from the objective of supplying maximum coverage of *necessary* medical expense at the minimum of premium cost.

In fairness to the other side of the story, it is understandable why your charges for professional services depend, to *some* degree upon the patient's means. As stated before, you Doctors do a great deal of work for which you get little or no pay—and certainly the more fortunate of us should expect to pay more for the *same* services than those who need help but honestly cannot afford the otherwise justifiable charge. You and your fellow Doctors are to be complimented for the contribution you are making to society. So no one expects you to make further sacrifices by reducing your fees.

On the other hand, the Doctor who *increases* his fee *simply* because insurance is in the picture, does great harm to the causes of Voluntary Insurance and Private Medical Practice. Why? Because the insured patient has in effect already paid for that part of his bill which is covered by insurance. It is hardly fair to penalize him for his thrift and foresight by increasing his total fee.

Group, Blue Cross, Blue Shield and other insurance plans *can* win the fight against Socialized Medicine. They can also successfully compete amongst themselves. But—they'll *lose* the fight against Socialized Medicine, and we'll *never* benefit by their competition if you and I sit complacently by.

Good Location

Clinical group consisting of pediatrician, surgeon, obstetrician, and general practitioner, opening a new clinic in suburban Dallas, desire a good general practitioner to take over well equipped clinic, and become associated with the above group. If interested contact The Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, 512 Bailey, Fort Worth 7, Texas.

Two Past Presidents of TAOP&S Die



Dr. J. Ellen Gildersleeve, past president of TAOP&S and an honorary life member, died at Waco, Texas, Tuesday, February 1, 1955.

Her only survivor is a brother, Fred A. Gildersleeve.

Dr. Gildersleeve was graduated in 1899 from American School of Osteopathy, now Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, Kirksville, Missouri.

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Rev. L. D. Anderson conducted funeral services for Dr. Roy Graham Russell, 72, Fort Worth osteopathic-February, 1955

physician for 39 years, at 10 a. m. Monday, January 24, in Owens-Brumley Chapel. Burial was in Greenwood.

Dr. Russell, ill the last year, died early Saturday, Jan. 22, 1955, at his home, 3800 Tulsa Way.

Dr. Russell was graduated in 1915 from the American School of Osteopathy, now Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, Kirksville, Missouri.

He entered practice here in July 1915, joining his mother, Dr. Maude Russell, who has been called the "mother of osteopathy in Fort Worth."

Dr. Russell was a native of Mississippi and spent most of his life in Texas. When his mother's health failed in 1919, he and his brother, Dr. Phil Russell, took over her practice. She died in 1921.

In recent years, until his retirement in July, Dr. Roy Russell had his office at 3619 Camp Bowie Blvd.

He had served as president of Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and had been a member of the State Board of Medical Examiners.

Dr. Russell was a 35-year member of Moslah Shrine Temple and member of the Fort Worth Club, Fort Worth Boat Club and the Exchange Club.

Survivors are his wife; a son, Dr. Walters Russell of Dallas; the brother, and two grandchildren.

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A Tribute

It is with deep regret that we note the passing of Dr. Roy Russell from among us. Dr. Roy's illness had been long in time and difficult in its painful manifestations. His courage and strength were amazing; his sense of humor remained keen, in spite of his difficulties.

Through his service to our profession on all levels of organization, he merited the recognition of each of us. Through his service to his patients, his profes-

sional acumen and honesty received trust and respect. Through his friendship with many, his zest for living will always convey a warmth to those of us who knew him.

Our sympathies go out to Birdie, Dr. Walters and Dr. Phil, as we pause to remember Dr. Roy's life with sincere appreciation.

The family requested tokens of sympathy be made in form of donations to the Cancer Research Foundation of Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery at Kirksville, Mo.

Pallbearers were Charles L. Twiss, Roscoe Evridge, Arthur Lee Moore, Dillard Kuykendall, Fritz Aurin and J. H. Thigpen.

Members of Moslah Temple Shrine Patrol and the Exchange Club will be honorary pallbearers.

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February 3, 1955

NOTICE OF EXAMINATION:

The next examination of the Texas State Board of Examiners in the Basic Sciences has been set for April 15 and 16, 1955.

The exam will be given in Galveston, Houston and Dallas, and details as to time and place may be obtained by writing to Mrs. Betty Ratcliff, Chief Clerk, at the above address.

All arrangements should be completed one week before exam time, and those interested should act immediately.

Very truly yours,
HENRY B. HARDT
President of the Board

HBH:bjr

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Radiological Society Meets

The regular quarterly meeting of the Texas Osteopathic Radiological Society was held on Sunday, January 16 at the St. Anthony Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. Twenty-seven Osteopathic Physicians were in attendance at the meeting.

The program consisted of a symposium on X-ray diagnosis and technique in the small Clinic-Hospital. The speakers were: Dr. Charles D. Ogilvie, Dallas, Texas; Dr. Gordon S. Beckwith, San Antonio, Texas; Dr. Ellis L. Miller, Talco, Texas; Dr. Malcolm N. Snell, Dallas, Texas; Mr. J. E. Heath, San Antonio, Texas; and Dr. Charles Curry, Fort Worth, Texas.

The next meeting of the T. O. R. S. was set for May and is to be held in conjunction with the meeting of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons in Houston, Texas.

Saturday night preceding the meeting of the Society, a dinner party was held at the Anacacho Room of the Hotel St. Anthony. The dinner was well attended by the physicians and their wives.

DR. ELLIS L. MILLER, D. O.
Secretary-Treasurer

Correction of Examination Dates

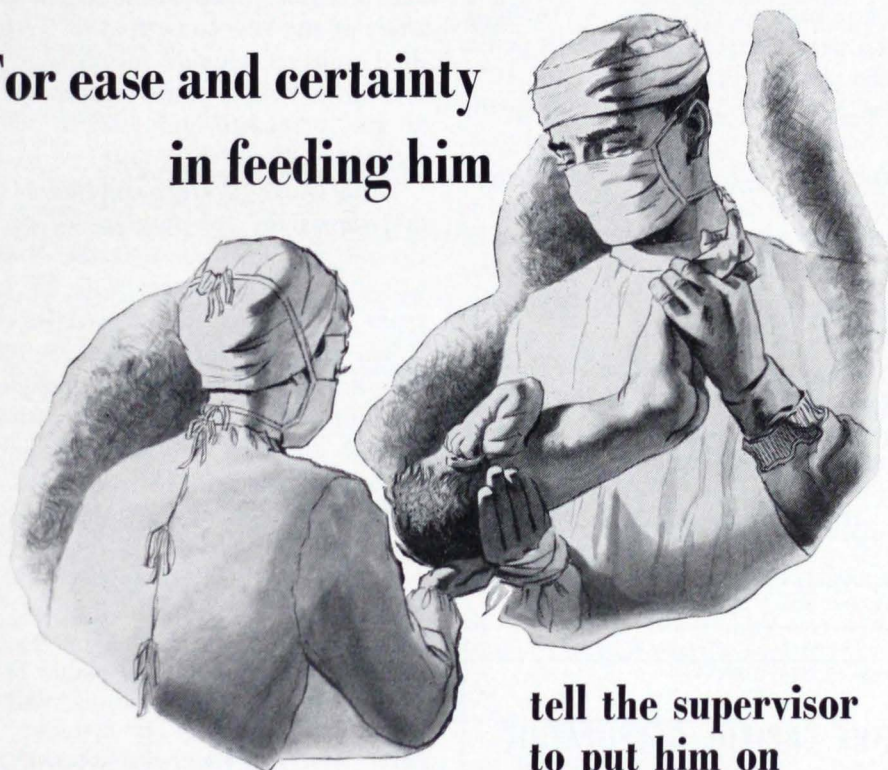
The Texas State Board of Medical Examiners will hold its next examination and reciprocity session June 20, 21, 22, 1955.

Southern Medical Group Admits Negro Physicians

NORFOLK, Va. — The Norfolk County Medical Society recently voted to include Negro physicians in its membership. By voting to delete the word "white" from its requirements for membership.

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Attend "The Big 5 In 55"

"The Big 5 in 55" is the label for the fine package of activities extending over a period of five days, which points up the close of the school year of 1955 at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery.

The schedule includes the Commencement Banquet on the evening of June 3, graduation exercises on the morning of June 4 and the Clinical Review Course which opens June 5 and continues through June 7.

Highlighting the program for the two events marking the close of the College year will be the appearance of H. Roe Bartle of Kansas City, Mo., as principal speaker at the graduation exercises and Dr. Allan A. Eggleston of Montreal, Quebec, Canada as toastmaster at the Commencement Banquet.

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Dean M. D. Warner emphasizes that the symposium type program so popular for the past two years at the Annual Clinical Review Course will be used again.

The program for the first day, June 5, will open in the morning immediately following registration and continue through the day with the Division of Surgery in charge. The topic for the symposium will be "Management of Traumatic Injuries".

Beginning the second day, June 6, and continuing through June 7, the program will be presented by the Division of Practice of Osteopathic Medicine. The symposium topic will be "Functional Testing in Systemic Disease" and will cover the areas of Ear, Eye, Nose and Throat, Cardiovascular and Respiratory systems and Endocrine, Gastrointestinal and Renal Systems.

Special attention will be given to the Musculo-Skeletal system on June 7.

A feature of the course will be the traditional banquet at the Travelers Hotel on the evening of June 6.

Elected To International Association

Dr. Carl B. Umanzio, chairman of the department of microbiology of the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, has been made a corresponding member of the mycological section of the Argentina Association of Dermatology and Syphilology, an international organization devoted to research in these two fields. Dr. Umanzio is one of 14 members in the United States.

Freshmen Students From Texas In Osteopathic Colleges

Name and Home Address	Preprofessional College	Osteopathic College
Robert Whittemore 6824 Eagle Pass St. Houston	Abilene Christian College	Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and Surgery
James A. Byrd 1015 Christine Houston	University of Houston	Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery
William H. Clark, Jr. P. O. Box 202 Trinidad	Baylor University	Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery
Clarence G. Cogburn 819 Kentucky St. Graham	Midwestern University	Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery
Harley C. Gatrell, Jr. 718 Ashland Drive Corpus Christi	University of Kansas City	Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery
Raymond E. Liverman 1014 N. Zangs Blvd. Dallas	Baylor University	Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery
Denzil J. Truitt Route 1 Donna	Pacific Union College	Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery
John C. Knox, Jr. 2031 W. Magnolia San Antonio 1	University of Texas	Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery
Ralph C. Merwin 4110 Forest Drive Port Arthur	Lamar State College of Technology	Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery
Robert L. Peters, Jr. 609 W. 10th Austin	Texas A and M College	Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery

KCOS Raises \$627.20 In Christmas Seal Campaign

A total of \$627.20 was raised this year by the Osteopathic Christmas Seal Campaign at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery. This is a seven-fold increase over the amount raised last year to support osteopathic research

and the student loan fund. The committee in charge of the drive included Ralph E. Stolz and Ronald W. Pearson, co-chairmen; Russell J. Joy, president of the Student Council; Mary Vossbruch, president of the Osteopathic Women's Club; and Dr. Harry M. Wright, faculty advisor.

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Dr. L. E. Tichenor of Iowa Becomes Follett's New Doctor

From FOLLETT TIMES, Jan. 27, 1955

The Follett Chamber of Commerce has been constantly on the search for a qualified doctor to serve Follett and the entire surrounding community.

A couple of weeks ago, Dr. L. E. Tichenor, an osteopathic physician and surgeon of Bedford, Iowa, met with the Follett C. of C. He looked the situation over and decided to make Follett his future home.

Dr. Tichenor is a man about sixty years of age, and comes to us most highly recommended from Iowa.

He is a graduate of Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin, and of the Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and Surgery of Des Moines, Iowa.

Dr. Tichenor will have an office in the Laubhan building and will engage in the general practice of medicine and osteopathy and the fitting of glasses.

We wish to congratulate Max Robertson, T. R. Laubhan and the other members of the Follett C. of C. for their untiring efforts in securing a good doctor to serve the Follett community, and we feel that this town is most fortunate to have the services of a man like our Dr. Tichenor.

We urge everyone throughout the entire community to come in and meet him. We know that you will think he is a grand fellow, and we join the rest of the community in welcoming him to Follett. We are glad to have you, Doctor!

Legislative Chairman Reports On Present Legislation

There have been quite a number of Insurance bills and Public Health measures introduced in the Legislature pertaining to the practice of medicine.

House bill 6 (Naturopathic Act) was favorably passed out of the Public Health Committee in the House February 1, 1955. This Bill is designed to set up a separate and distinct standard of medicine. Your bureau of Public Health appeared before the House Committee, not in opposition to any healing art or system of practice, but from the standpoint of constitutionality and duplication of existing laws; also appearing were representatives of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners and Texas Medical Association.

There are several narcotic bills that will compel every Physician to keep exact records on all narcotics used or dispensed.

A bill will be introduced soon on professional liability insurance.

Many more bills are expected to be introduced relating to the practice of every Physician.

ELMER C. BAUM, D. O.

AMA Committee to Visit Des Moines College Feb. 8-11

DES MOINES, Ia.—An American Medical Association committee will visit the Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and Surgery Feb. 8-11, Dr. Edwin F. Peters, college president, reported.

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Constitutional Amendments

Submitted by ROBERT J. BRUNE, D. O.

Proposed Amendment No. 1:

1. Delete Article X in its present entirety.

2. Substitute the following:

ARTICLE X—COMMITTEES

SECTION 1: The activities of this association shall be departmentalized under

A—The Department of Professional Affairs

B—The Department of Public Affairs

SECTION 2: A Manual of Procedure defining the duties of the departments and such committees as may be established under these departments shall be adopted by the Board of Trustees and the House of Delegates. This Manual of Procedure, after adoption, may be amended by (1) action of the Board of Trustees, which action shall stand unless rescinded by the House of Delegates in Regular Session and/or (2) by action of the House of Delegates in Regular Session.

SECTION 3: The chairmen of the departments and the chairman of such committees under the departments as may be established shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Trustees. All appointees shall be members in good standing in this association.

SECTION 4: From time to time the President may establish a committee for a special function or purpose not provided for under the Manual of Procedure. Such committees shall automatically cease existence upon the completion of their specifically assigned duty.

Proposed Amendment No. 2:

Under Article XIII—District Associations, add

SECTION 2: A district society acting as a constituent part of this association shall departmentalize their activities in conformity to the organization of the state association.

February, 1955

Submitted by the Board of Trustees

Amend the Constitution by the addition of a new section to Article IX to read, as follows:

"The executive committee of this association shall consist of the president, immediate past president, president elect, chairman of the Department of Professional Affairs, and chairman of the Department of Public Affairs, who shall be members of the board of trustees.

"The duties of the executive committee shall be those of the board of trustees when the board is not in its annual session."

Submitted by the Board of Trustees

Amend Section 2, Article X—Committees by providing that the president elect shall appoint the program chairman in December preceding his installation as president.

The first sentence of Section 2 will read:

"The foregoing named committees shall be appointed by the president."

The second sentence will read:

"The President Elect shall appoint his program chairman in December preceding his inauguration, and all of said committees shall be approved by the Board of Trustees."

As amended, Section 2, Article X will read:

"The foregoing named committees shall be appointed by the President. The President Elect shall appoint his program chairman in December preceding his inauguration, and said committees shall be approved by the Board of Trustees. All appointees to membership on the various committees must be members in good standing of this Association at the time of appointment. The foregoing named committees shall have the duties as defined in the Manual of Procedure."

Chicago College Court Case

Interest in Chicago College court case, outcome of which now rests with Supreme Court of Illinois, is currently running at high pitch throughout state. On Monday, January 17, Supreme Court in Springfield heard arguments in appeal of Department of Registration and Education against findings of Appellate Court, which had handed down highly favorable opinion in June recommending immediate approval of CCO. Case for Department, argued by Mr. Mark Roberts—special representative of Attorney General—was based primarily on contention that Appellate Court had no right to substitute its judgment for that of Department's Medical Examining Committee. . . Arguments in behalf of CCO were presented by Mr. Montgomery Winning. It is believed Supreme Court decision will likely be handed down in about 60 days. There is no set time schedule in matters of this kind. . . CCO president R. N. MacBain, D. O., attended Springfield hearing.

CCO's court case has been in litigation for over five years. Legal struggle began when Medical Examining Committee, as a result of CCO mandamus action, established rules for approval of medical schools—then refused approval of CCO on grounds that Chicago College did not meet standards. CCO sued Department, claiming discrimination. First hearing of case in Superior Court

upheld Department position. Appeal by College resulted in reversal of Superior Court by three-man panel of Appellate Court judges.

Decision of Supreme Court will be final judgment.—From Illinois Osteopathic Association NEWS LETTER, Vol. IV, No. 3, February 1955.

Hay Fever Pollen Magnified 4,000 Times By New High Powered Microscope

NEW YORK—A new high powered microscope which has been under development for six years by C. B. S. Laboratories was recently demonstrated here.

The article in the NEW YORK TIMES said that the device enlarges electronically and projects in full color optical images from a conventional microscope adapted for the work.

"Red blood cells," according to the story, "appeared on the screen as large as baseballs and tiny bits of hay fever-producing pollen looked like spiny basketballs." Even living cells can be enlarged up to 15,000 times.

Dr. Peter C. Goldmark, director of the laboratory, said that a feature of the device was that it provided, instantaneously and in full color, images 100 times brighter than were possible before with several hundred times less light needed at the specimen. Living cells that would have been killed by the light and heat can now be observed, he said.

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Washington News Letter

Education Conferences

In my WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER of December 21, 1954, entitled Organized Osteopathy in Education Conferences, I said the AOA Bureau of Professional Education and Colleges was being asked to furnish for dissemination to you "suggested areas of investigation and study of particular interest to the profession". The suggestions arrived yesterday from the Chairman of the Bureau, Dr. Robert B. Thomas. Copy is enclosed for your information and guidance.

The status of the program in your State as of January 3, 1955, is shown in the enclosed compilation furnished by President Eisenhower's Committee for the White House Conference on Education.

The President's State of the Union Message to Congress on January 6th stated that he would send a special message to Congress on February 15 presenting a program dealing with the existing unprecedented classroom shortage. In yesterday's message to Congress on the Budget, the President spoke of having called a White House Conference for this Fall, and said in part as

follows: "Some local and State conferences of citizens and professional educators have already been held in preparation for this national assembly. Others will meet this Spring and Summer. These meetings will highlight possible long-range solutions to the problems and will place in better perspective the obligations and opportunities of the respective levels of government. Concurrently, without impairment in any way of State, local, community, and family responsibility, the Federal Government should serve as an effective catalyst in dealing with the problem of classroom shortages."

In connection with the introduction on January 6 of a bill, S. 5, by Senator Lister Hill, of Alabama, new Chairman of the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, in which he was joined with eighteen other Senators, providing for a Federal outlay of \$500 million for each of two years to aid construction of public elementary and secondary schools, Senator Hill stated, as recorded on page 78 of the Congressional Record of January 6, in part as follows: "As of today, the Russians are outstripping us in engineering graduates, in scientific

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specialists, in the production of those skills essential to national strength and security. We dare not fall behind. We dare not neglect our elementary and secondary schools, where training of physicists, mathematicians, engineers and other highly skilled and educated personnel must begin. We dare not neglect our institutions of higher learning."

As requested in my WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER of December 21, please let me hear from you from time to time as to your progress in conference participation in your State. *Send me promptly copies of your State association's bulletins on the subject.*

"Dr. Charlie" Celebrates Ninetieth Birthday

Dr. Charles E. Still, oldest son of Dr. Andrew Taylor Still, founder of osteopathy, celebrated his 90th birthday January 7. In a special ceremony around the birthday cake, Clifton Cornwell, director of information at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, representing Caldwell Chapter 53 of the Royal Arch Masons of Missouri, presented "Dr. Charlie", as he is known throughout the osteopathic profession, with the 50-year emblem of the order. Also present at the ceremonies were Dr. Elizabeth Esterline, his daughter; Morris Thompson, president of the KCOS; Miss Marie Johnson, registrar; and Dr. Ross C. Allen, a long-time friend.

"Dr. Charlie" gave up a promising career in the Army in 1892 to join his father in establishing the American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville, first institution of its kind. As dean of the first college, director of the first osteopathic hospital, and long-time member of the college trustees, he has often been termed the dean of osteopathic educators.

He was graduated in the first class at the ASO and enjoyed a successful practice in the states of Minnesota and Missouri and pioneered for legislation

granting practice rights to osteopathic physicians in many of the states.

An earnest civic leader, he represented Adair County in the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of Missouri for 14 years until retiring in 1946.

Until quite recently, he served actively on the Board of Trustees of the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, lineal descendant of the ASO, and is now trustee emeritus.

Phi Sigma Gamma Receives Scholastic Award

The Psi Sigma Alpha scholarship trophy was awarded to Phi Sigma Gamma at a recent All-College Meeting at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery. The award is made annually to the campus group maintaining the highest scholastic average during the preceding academic year. PSG also received the award last year and three years ago. Two years ago it was won by the independents.

Ground Breaking for LA County Hospital Scheduled For Early Spring of 1955

LOS ANGELES—Word has been received that ground breaking ceremonies for the \$9,220,000 addition of a new Osteopathic Unit for the world's largest county hospital, Los Angeles County General Hospital, are scheduled for early spring of this year.

A more comprehensive article including an artist's conception of the completed structure will appear in the March issue of FORUM.

Convention Topper

Final returns show that 104 administrators and key hospital personnel attended the Dallas convention. This is the largest group ever assembled for an A.O.H.A. convention. It's a mark to shoot at next year at Washington.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Convention News From the Auxiliary

The Houston Auxiliary is eagerly awaiting convention time when we will play hostesses to all of you wives from over the state of Texas. If we may brag a bit (and what Texans don't brag?) we have some lovely plans for all you ladies. We were most fortunate to be able to arrange all the functions for the entire convention activities at the Rice Hotel. This will be most advantageous for all of you—for who doesn't like to go to a convention and take home a little loot from the stores in the convention city?—and where could you

find things so lovely as Houston has to offer in all her wonderful shops. (This idea may not set so well with all the good doctors, but they *really* don't mind).

It will be a privilege, indeed, to have the pleasure of your visit to our city, ladies, and we hope that attendance in Houston in May, 1955, will be bigger and better than ever before in any city!

Bye podner, we're off to the Fat Stock Show today! Wish you were here!

JUNE BRENNAN AND NORMA TAVEL,
Co-chairmen of Convention Plans

Auxiliary District One

The auxiliary to the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital and Clinic met at the home of Mrs. E. L. Rossman, January 11, 1955, at 8 p. m. Mrs. Glenn R. Scott, president, presided.

Members present: Mrs. M. F. Achor, Mrs. J. F. Brown, Mrs. E. W. Cain, Mrs. J. H. Chandler, Mrs. D. L. Eakin, Mrs. Harold Gorrie, Mrs. G. Welton Gress, Mrs. John Kemplin, Mrs. E. H. Mann, Mrs. E. L. Rossman, Mrs. Glenn R. Scott, Mrs. L. J. Vick, Mrs. Raymond Mann, Mrs. Maurice Mann.

Plans were made to start arrangements for the 10th Annual Child Health Clinic to be held May 20-21, 1955, at the Herring Hotel. Mrs. D. L. Eakin was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Child Health Committee.

The next meeting will be February 28, 1955 at the home of Mrs. L. J. Vick.

Auxiliary District Two

The auxiliary of the Fort Worth District 2 Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons held its regular monthly meeting at the Cattleman's February, 1955

Restaurant, Tuesday, January 19, 1955 at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. C. E. Dickey presided. There was no program.

Visitors attended from Gainesville, Mineral Wells, and also members from over 100 miles away.

Mrs. William Snow had her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scovel of Oklahoma, here for a visit. They were on their way from a convention in California.

A wonderful party, enjoyed by many of the members here in Fort Worth, was the surprise party given by Dr. Noel Ellis for Virginia to celebrate their wedding anniversary. The party was at Ridglea Country Club, January 26, 1955, and was a most enjoyable affair.

Another couple to celebrate a wedding were Dr. and Mrs. Howard Buxton, who were married 25 years February 1, 1955.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Karbach are the proud parents of a baby boy born in January.

Auxiliary District Five

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Calabria are the parents of a 7 lb. 2 oz. baby girl born January 6, 1955 at Stevens Park Hos-

pital. The new member of the family has been named Sara Jane.

Mrs. Calabria's mother, Mrs. E. E. Lehr of Kirksville, Missouri, has been visiting them.

Dr. and Mrs. Sam P. Jones have a 7 lb. 13 oz. baby girl born January 19 at D.O.H., being named Sally Margaret.

Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Baldwin proudly announce the birth of 6 lb. 12 oz. David Marshall on January 26, 1955 at D.O.H.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Moore recently have had as house guest Dr. Moore's mother, Mrs. Louis Moore of Bloomington, Illinois.

Dr. and Mrs. Van de Grift, he formerly having been associated with Stevens Park Hospital, recently visited in Dallas on their way from California, where Dr. Van de Grift has just completed a year's residency in EENT and was on his way to Kansas City, Missouri, to begin another year's residency in EENT.

Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Stewart are very proud of their Quarter Horse that won a blue ribbon in the 52 Stallion Class at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Malcolm Snell underwent surgery at D.O.H. the first of this month.

Our deepest sympathy to Dr. W. W. Baldwin, whose mother recently passed away.

Auxiliary District Six

We were very happy to welcome and hear Mrs. Helen Witt, state president, on the evening of January 12, 1955, in the home of Mrs. Wm. H. Badger. Lovely refreshments were served after the meeting.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Choate motored south of the border to Monterrey, Mexico the first week in January for a glimpse into Mexican life.

The annual Board of Trustees of the Houston Osteopathic Hospital held its annual dinner at the Elk's Club the evening of January 27.

Mrs. O. R. LePere has been on the sick list.

Auxiliary District Ten

District 10 auxiliary met in the Comanche Room, Hotel Caprock, Lubbock, January 25, following dinner with the doctors.

Ways and Means Chairman, Evangeline Abell, reported that the Lubbock Women's Club house was not available for benefit affairs.

In order to provide a greater number of appreciative listeners when outstanding speakers were on the program, a resolution was passed to invite guests to appropriate meetings.

Phyllis Axtell, chairman of the Constitution Revision committee, read several changes and amendments to the Constitution, all of which were adopted.

Copies of the A.O.A. brochure, "What Is Osteopathy", were ordered purchased and placed in the various libraries and reading rooms in district 10.

Auxiliary District Twelve

Members of district 12 of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons held their regular monthly meeting January 20, 1955.

Members of the auxiliary heard an address by their state president, Mrs. John L. Witt of Groom, Texas, in the Golden Arrow restaurant. Mrs. Witt, on her official visit, spoke on the "The Importance of the Osteopathic's Wife to her Husband's Profession." She also reported on current news of other districts and state organizations.

Mrs. Witt was a guest of Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Garrison during her short visit in Port Arthur.

Mrs. K. R. Watkins spent a few days in the Stukey-Dewitt Hospital as a patient.

Mrs. W. H. Sorenson will spend a few days in Kirksville, Missouri, en route to Chicago, Illinois, to attend her brother's wedding.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Garrison spent the week end of January 22 in Houston.

NEWS OF THE DISTRICTS

DISTRICT ONE

Drs. Gress, Brown, and Cain attended the post-graduate course of the Academy of Applied Osteopathy in Denver last month.

A district meeting is scheduled on February 13, 1955. Dr. Howard Baldwin of Tulsa is to be the speaker.

Dr. Carl Hackley has moved to Spearman, Texas.

JOHN KEMPLIN, D. O.

DISTRICT TWO

We were sorry to learn of the death of the mother of Dr. C. R. Packer in Missouri.

Drs. Roy Fisher and Geo. Pease have been attending a two weeks' post graduate course in surgery in Los Angeles.

The O. B. and Gyn convention in Jacksonville, Florida, will have plenty of Fort Worth representatives: Dr. Noel Ellis will take the board, Dr. and Mrs. Jerry O. Carr will preside as presidents, and Dr. and Mrs. George J. Luibel will visit Mrs. Luibel's family as well as attend the convention.

Drs. LaCroix and Luibel and Mrs. Luibel recently took a course on muscle and fascia work given in Dallas by Dr. Ida P. Rolf.

Dr. Emilie Kenney Jackson will make her first visit home to Fort Worth in nearly 16 years. She and her husband practiced in Reading and Oxford, England. She will land in New York Feb. 24 and spend a week or longer working under Dr. Beryl Arbuckle in Philadelphia, and reach Fort Worth the early part of March. She will visit her sister, Dr. Catherine Kenney Carlton, returning to England April 9.

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel D. Beyer attended the inaugural reception and dances running simultaneously in different locations, and felt no ill effects—representing youth incarnate.

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DISTRICT THREE

The regular meeting of the district 3 group, scheduled for 2:00 p. m. at Curley's Restaurant in Longview, Texas, on January 16, was postponed to January 23 because of the usual conflict with a meeting of the Radiological Society. The meeting did come to order, however on January 23, promptly at 3:00 p. m.

Appearing on the program was Dr. Charles M. Hawes, prominent orthopedic surgeon of Dallas, Texas. His dissertation was enlightening and very well received.

Mr. Hargrave of the Wyeth Pharmaceutical Company presented a film which was prepared in cooperation with the American College of Physicians that gave a detailed account of modern concepts of the drug treatment of hypertension.

The business of the district 3 organization was then disposed of and a social hour or two followed, again emphasizing the unusually high quality of our host, Dr. Tom Hagan, and the hospitality of Curley's Restaurant of Longview.

Dr. B. W. Jones of Mineola, Texas has recently returned from a two weeks' cruise in the Caribbean, touring a bit in Guatemala. Whether he got dangerously close to any of the revolution, nearby, we haven't heard at this writing.

DISTRICT SEVEN

District 7 held its quarterly meeting at San Antonio, January 16, 1955, following the meeting of the Radiological Society.

The executive secretary of the TAOP & S was present and spoke to the group briefly.

The program for the meeting was the one for the Radiological Society.

Officers elected for the coming year were: Dr. R. D. Kirkland, Austin, president; Dr. F. M. Crawford, San Antonio,

vice president; Dr. W. D. Schaefer, San Antonio, secretary-treasurer.

Delegates: Dr. E. C. Baum, Austin; Dr. G. S. Beckwith, San Antonio; Dr. W. D. Schaefer, San Antonio.

Alternates: Dr. J. L. Love, Austin; Dr. I. T. Stowell, San Antonio; Dr. B. G. Schoch, San Antonio.

Dr. Joe Love of Austin was appointed chairman of the Department of Professional Affairs, and Dr. H. S. Beckwith, San Antonio, chairman, Department of Public Affairs.

Dr. Kirkland is already making plans for the coming year. He expects all of us to get active and do our bit for district 7 and the State Association. This being an important year, we can not be too conscious of the value our State Association is to us.

If district 7 news seems to be all San Antonio, it is because I hear about the activities of the other towns too late to send them in. So, you other towns get busy and see that Dr. Kirkland, Dr. Phil Russell, or I get the news.

Dr. H. A. Beckwith attended some eye surgery operations at Mayo's. He stated that the facilities there are tops—would like to attend oftener.

Dr. Crawford has been having many visitors from Iowa. All of his friends stop over when they come to sunny South Texas to get away from the cold of Iowa. I'll bet some of them wish they, too, might move to Texas.

Dr. Wascher is enjoying his new home. He says there is nothing like it.

Dr. Gordon Beckwith visited the Medical Center in Houston and Community Hospital of Jacinto City. He had praises for both of them.

Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Young of Alva, Oklahoma, visited with several of us on his way to the Valley. He, too, usually comes to sunny Texas to get away from the cold winds of Northwest Oklahoma. He says there is nothing like eating an orange right off the tree. It was a pleasure to have them stay overnight at my home.

San Antonio Hospital (new one) has reached the blueprint stage; it surely looks nice. One of these days we, too, will have a nice new hospital.

Dr. I. T. Stowell entertained a group one evening to discuss the new Life Insurance Company.

Dr. Wallin is doing very well. He is able to walk a little, use a wheel chair, and watch television. He surely is young in spirit and as jolly as ever. Keep up the good progress, doctor!

San Antonio enjoyed having the Radiological meeting here. I believe that Dr. Stowell was told how much everyone appreciated his efforts in arranging such an enjoyable occasion.

By WALDEMAR D. SCHAEFER, D. O.

DISTRICT EIGHT

Dr. A. B. Tibbets was recently pictured in the local newspaper examining contenders for local boxing.

Dr. Tibbets has made a trip to Washington, D. C. to be with his father who is ill at this time.

Dr. John Henery is at this time in California taking postgraduate surgery.

R. E. BENNETT, D. O.

DISTRICT TEN

The regular meeting of district 10 Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons was held at the Caprock Hotel, Lubbock, Texas, January 25, 1955 at 7 p. m. Dr. Horace A. Emery presided.

Officers elected for 1955-1956 were: Dr. Harlan O. L. Wright, Sundown, president; Dr. Richard M. Mayer, Lubbock, vice president; Dr. J. W. Axtell, Lubbock, secretary-treasurer; Dr. E. S. Davidson, Lubbock, department of public health; Dr. James A. Fannin, Lubbock, department of Professional Affairs. Dr. Richard M. Mayer, Lubbock, department of public affairs.

Delegates to the State Convention at Houston: Drs. J. Walter Axtell, R. Z. Abell, Jr., and S. G. MacKenzie.

Alternates, Drs. Horace A. Emery, Harlan Wright, and Ed S. Davidson.

"Symptoms" to be Seen As Well as Heard

CHICAGO (AOA) — The popular radio series, "Symptoms of Our Time," will in the not too distant future enter American homes through the medium of television.

During the annual meeting of the AOA Board of Trustees last December, the sum of \$10,000 was allocated to begin purchasing equipment for the production of a 13-week series of quarter-hour television shows.

Richard Thorne, assistant director of the Department of Public and Professional Welfare, and writer-director for this series, said that upon completion, the television shows will be made available to all divisional societies.

The equipment, much of which has already been purchased, can also be utilized, for the production of vocational guidance and instructional films, Thorne pointed out.

Subsequent issues of the NEWS BULLETIN will report on the progress of this new and important project.

Record Attendance Predicted For 59th AOA Convention

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CHICAGO (AOA)—All available information indicates that a record-breaking attendance will be established at the 59th annual convention of the American Osteopathic Association, according to the Bureau of Conventions.

The national conference will be held in Los Angeles, July 5-24, 1955, and will utilize the facilities of the Biltmore and Statler hotels, both of which will serve as convention headquarters. This will be the second time the AOA has met in Los Angeles, the first being in 1922.

This year's meeting will be divided in two parts. The Convention Instruction
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Courses in advanced surgery, internal medicine and cardiology, general practice and peripheral vascular disease and anesthesiology will be given at the College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons beginning July 5. The Convention Teaching Sessions will begin July 18.

In the very near future, a direct mailing will be made to all members of the American Osteopathic Association describing the Convention Instruction Courses and the Teaching Sessions.

Advance registration and hotel accommodation forms for the profession and members of the Auxiliary to the AOA will be included in the mailing.

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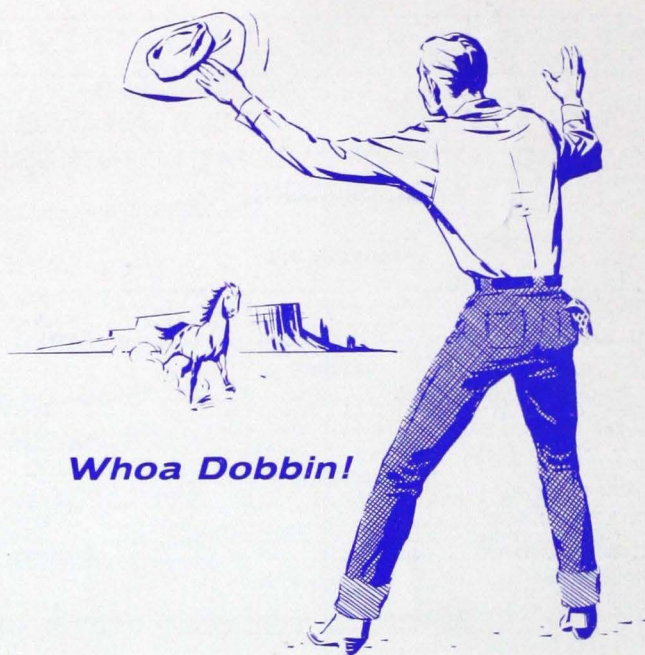
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