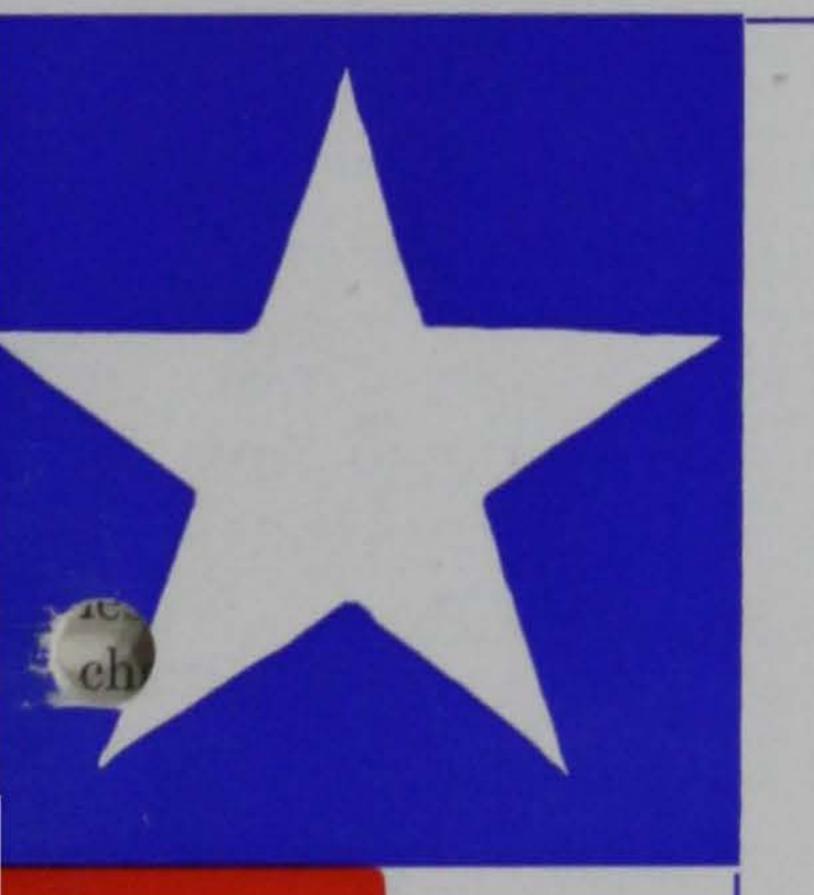


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# EDITORIAL PAGE

## The Doctor's Title Law Will Become Effective August 10, 1951

This is the most outstanding public relations activity of the osteopathic profession. Many questions will arise in the minds of the public. The public relations value of the new law will be materially increased when the public is properly informed that osteopathy is a school of medicine and that the educational requirements and license of the osteopathic physician is equal to those physicians who designate their school of practice by the degree M. D.

## THE PUBLIC MUST BE TOLD

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS WITH THE DEGREE D. O. HAVE THE SAME LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND THE EQUAL RIGHTS AS A DEGREE M. D.

OSTEOPATHY IS A SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.

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OSTEOPATHIC TREATMENT IS DIRECTED TO RESTORE NORMAL CHEMICAL AND STRUCTURAL BALANCE.

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS USE DRUGS TO HELP RESTORE BODY INTEGRITY, NOT TO CURE DISEASE OR TREAT SYMPTOMS, AS IS THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE ALLOPATHIC, HOMEOPATHIC AND ECLECTIC SCHOOLS OF PRACTICE.

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS USE SURGERY FOR THE PUR-POSE OF REMOVING ANY ORGANS, GROWTH, ETC., THAT INTERFERES WITH NORMAL BODY FUNCTION.

OSTEOPATHY IS A COMPLETE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE BASED UPON SOUND PHILOSOPHY AND ANY AND EVERY TREATMENT USED IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESTORING NORMAL AND STRUCTURAL BALANCE TO THE HUMAN BODY, REALIZING THAT WHEN THIS IS COMPLETED, DISEASE WILL DISAPPEAR AND HEALTH WILL PREVAIL.

THESE POINTS MUST BE EXPLAINED TO THE LAY PUBLIC WHO IS PRONE TO CONSIDER OSTEOPATHY AS A MANIPULATIVE TREATMENT.

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## Public Relations Techniques

By Hobert C. Moore, D. O.

Relations Techniques from the standpoint of the Divisional Society Legislative Council - Working Tools and Available Media.

Present here today are representatives from all parts of these United States, where things of great magnitude are developing in our own back yards every day right before our eyes and we fail to see them, or recognize any significance in so-called "little things".

You may remember the famous Webster cartoon "Hardin County-1809" titled "Nuthin' ever happens out here." Two old-timers, in coonskin caps and homespun clothes are talking over the rail fence and the conversation goes something like this:

"Any news down to the village, Ezry?"

"Well, Squire McLean's gone to Washington t' see Madison swore in, an' ol' Spellman tells me this Bonaparte fella has captured most of Spain. What's the news out here, neighbor?"

"Nuthin' a tall, nuthin' a tall, 'cept for a new baby down t' Tom Lincoln's. Nuthin' ever happens out here."

Who could dream that the little redfaced boy baby, born in a log cabin, to Nancy Hanks and Tom Lincoln, would one day take the oath of office on the steps of the United States Capitol? Who could dream that that little

I have been asked to talk on Public bawling infant would give voice to one of the greatest speeches in the English language?

> That youngster who sits across the table from you at breakfast may some day sit in the governor's chair. His freckled faced, pugged nose boy chum may discover a cure for cancer. The little fellow toddling down the sidewalk with a sled may write the Great American Novel. The little girl next are door may be the Sarah Bernhardt of tomorrow.

God works His magic with human personality under our very noses, and we say, "Nuthin' ever happens out here!"

In making a Public Relations presentation, I shall no doubt repeat things which have been said before and things which you already know. But in my opinion, basic fundamentals cannot be repeated too often.

The ultimate aim of Public Relations is the cultivation of favorable Public Opinion. Publicity, through newspapers, radio and other media, are only tools of Public Relations. We are told that Public Relations is "a lot of little things by a lot of little people", adding up to favorable Public Opinion. No matter how you approach it, Public Relations, which in reality is Human Relations, invariably comes right back to Human Behavior.

To my way of thinking, the ultimate in Public Relations is exemplified in the essay of an 8-year-old boy on "What My Dog Means To Me." It is a classic in brevity, clarity and general interest. It reads: "My dog means somebody nice and quiet to be with. He does not say 'Do' like my mother, or 'Don't' like my father, or 'Stop' like my big brother. My dog Spot and I sit together quietly and I like him and he likes me." (End of the essay.)

"I like him and he likes me"—the ultimate of all public relations aims. And this result is based on individual behavior. It has to do with a lot of little things and nothing whatsoever

to do with ballyhoo.

If a Divisional Society were able to establish a relationship with its State Officials, the Legislature, the Department of Public Health, the Probate Judges, Colleges, Universities and similar powerful bodies on the basis of "I like him and he likes me", our legislative problems would be largely solved. That is the goal toward which we should work.

How am I going to like a person if I don't know him? How is he going to like me, or understand me, or help me, if he doesn't know me? It is my busi-

ness to get acquainted, on a friendly basis.

What, you ask, is a practical approach to legislative Public Relations?

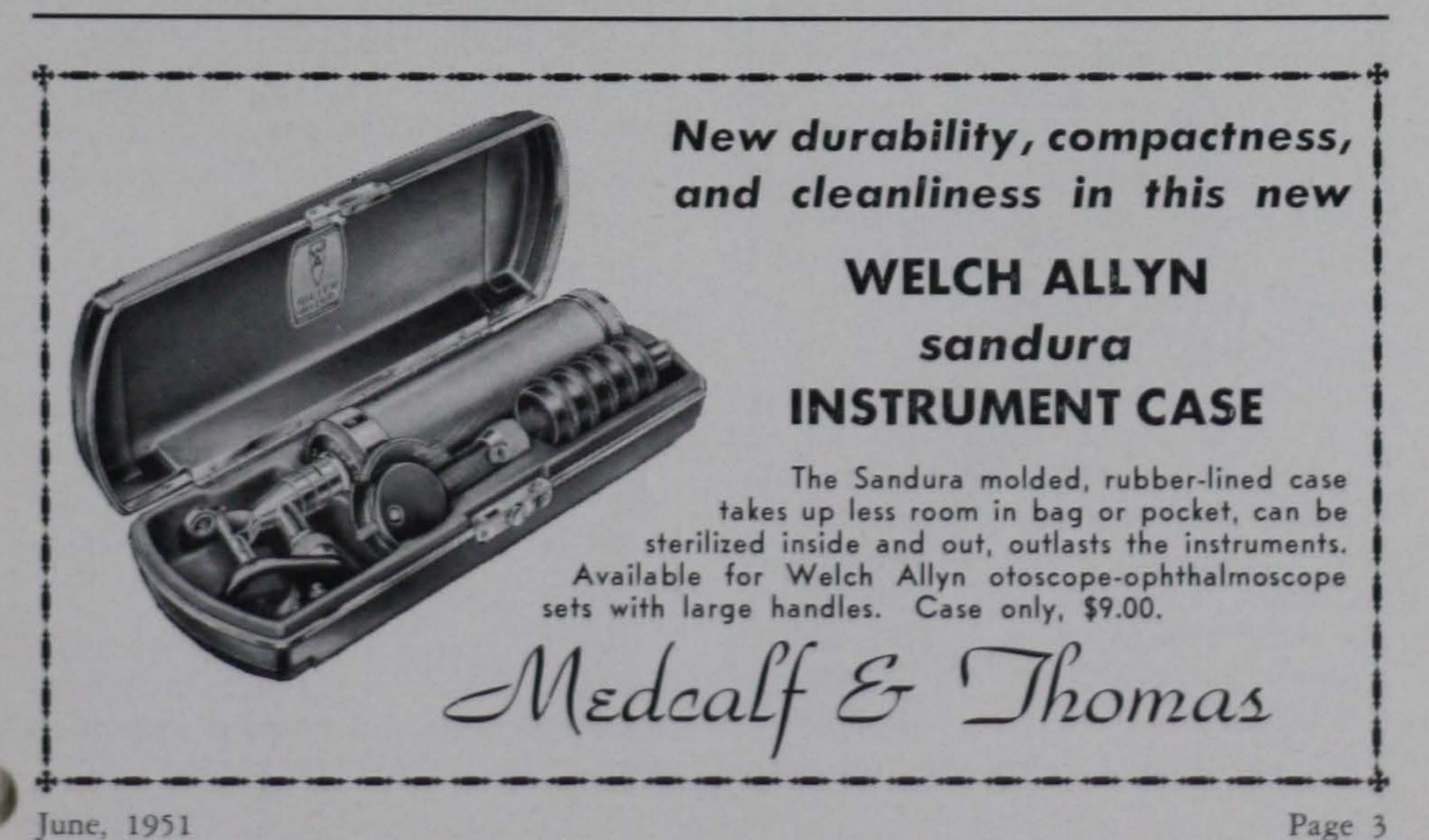
In our Michigan Association we have a nine-member Legislative Council which is alert and vigilant. But we do not call it a Legislative Council, since in the public mind the name carries a cannotation of political lobbying. We call it "The Committee of Public Education on Health."

A first step for any divisional society is to see to it that standards in individual practice and in hospitals and clinics are at the highest possible level.

Activate your Department of Ethics and enforce the code. In other words, put your own house in order so that

you may be above reproach.

Members should be encouraged to become active in civic, fraternal, church and cultural affairs of their local community. It is desirable to have representation in such organizations as the Chamber of Commerce, every Service Club, fraternal organizations, Boy and Girl Scouts, Community Chest, Church Boards, School Boards, Athletic Commissions, etc., for here you will find our best citizens in the full meaning of good citizenship.



In Michigan our D. O.'s furnish active leadership in all such groups. The Governor of Michigan has appointed D. O.'s to such official State bodies as:

The National Disaster Relief Council;

Technical Committee on Medical Health for the State Civilian Defense;

Michigan Unemployment Compensation Commission;

The Advisory Committee of the Michigan Youth Commission;

The Advisory Council for the selection of a site for the Air Academy of Michigan;

The five-member Michigan State Council of Health;

The Mackinac Island State Park Commission;

The Michigan State Board of Athletic Control;

The Hospital Survey and Advisory Council; and others.

It is important that you keep up-todate biographies of your individual members. This not only contains all pertinent personal information, educational background, etc., but asks for affiliations with Service Clubs . . . Societies . . . Social . . . Business . . . Scientific . . . Military or semi-military organizations and service record, if any . . . Church . . . Political, etc. It also provides space for contacts with key individuals in the legislature, industry or elsewhere. Michigan has in preparation a new biographical form which I should be glad to mail to each of you when it is off the press.

Your State Public Health Department is a tax-supported service for all the people. As our Michigan Health Commissioner wrote recently for our Osteopathic Bulletin: "The Michigan Department of Health works with all persons and groups whose interest it is to protect the health of the people of Michigan."

If you do not enjoy the full coop-Page 4

eration of your State and local health departments, get acquainted with them. Sit down and talk over ways and means of helping the department interpret its official program to the people of your State.

Similar procedure applies to the legislators and the heads of official bodies. The first thing is to know the man, on a friendly basis. Then cultivate and educate him.

You should bear in mind that the legislator is responsible to those people within his own area who elect him to office as their local district representative. The legislator is responsible to you, the D. O., and to the D. O.'s friends and fellow-citizens, to carry out your (and their) wishes in matters of legislation. But never coerce a man to do anything. Approach him on the friendly basis of what is good and best for the people. If such legislation is supported and enacted, the osteopathic profession will ultimately gain. Therefore, take an active interest in all legis- s ar lative measures pertaining to the Public Health and welfare.

See that some D. O. member in every area of your State, knows the legislators from his district. Place the responsibility of educating the Legislators on the D. O.'s in the local areas. If there is not a D. O. in the area, then the responsibility to know and cultivate him rests with the Legislative Chairman and his committee.

In Michigan, we have conducted inspection tours of our two largest osteopathic hospitals. On two different occasions we brought the Senators and Representatives to Detroit where they could see with their own eyes, our hospitals in operation. We plan similar junkets again this year.

Our Women's Auxiliaries see to it that Legislators' wives are invited to social functions and hospital inspection tours.

It should be the responsibility of D. O.'s in local areas to cultivate, educate and gain the cooperation of newspaper editors, radio stations, leaders of Organized Labor and other key individuals influential in molding public opinion.

The 1951 Directory edition of our Michigan Osteopathic Bulletin lists not only the names and addresses of all Michigan Legislators, but officials of the State Department of Health, the local Health officers, all Probate Judges, and top state officials. Most of these are on our mailing list and receive our Bulletin every month.

From time to time, lay leaders are invited to write papers for publication and to appear as speakers on our annual convention program. Michigan's 1951 convention program will devote one entire day to problems of Industrial Health, with key individuals of Labor and Industry on the program. Leaders are entertained at our annual banquet and at the reception preceding it.

Because our members got acquainted with, cultivated and educated our educators, Michigan State College now stages an annual Refresher Course for D. O.'s in the Basic Sciences. University of Michigan will present a Refresher Course for D. O.'s starting in February of this year and lasting until May—one day each week.

There are seven simple steps to good Human Relations:

- 1. Perfect your self-control
- 2. Appreciate and praise
- 3. Stress rewards
- 4. Criticize tactfully and constructively
- 5. Always listen
- 6. Explain thoroughly
- 7. Consider the other person's interest as you would your own

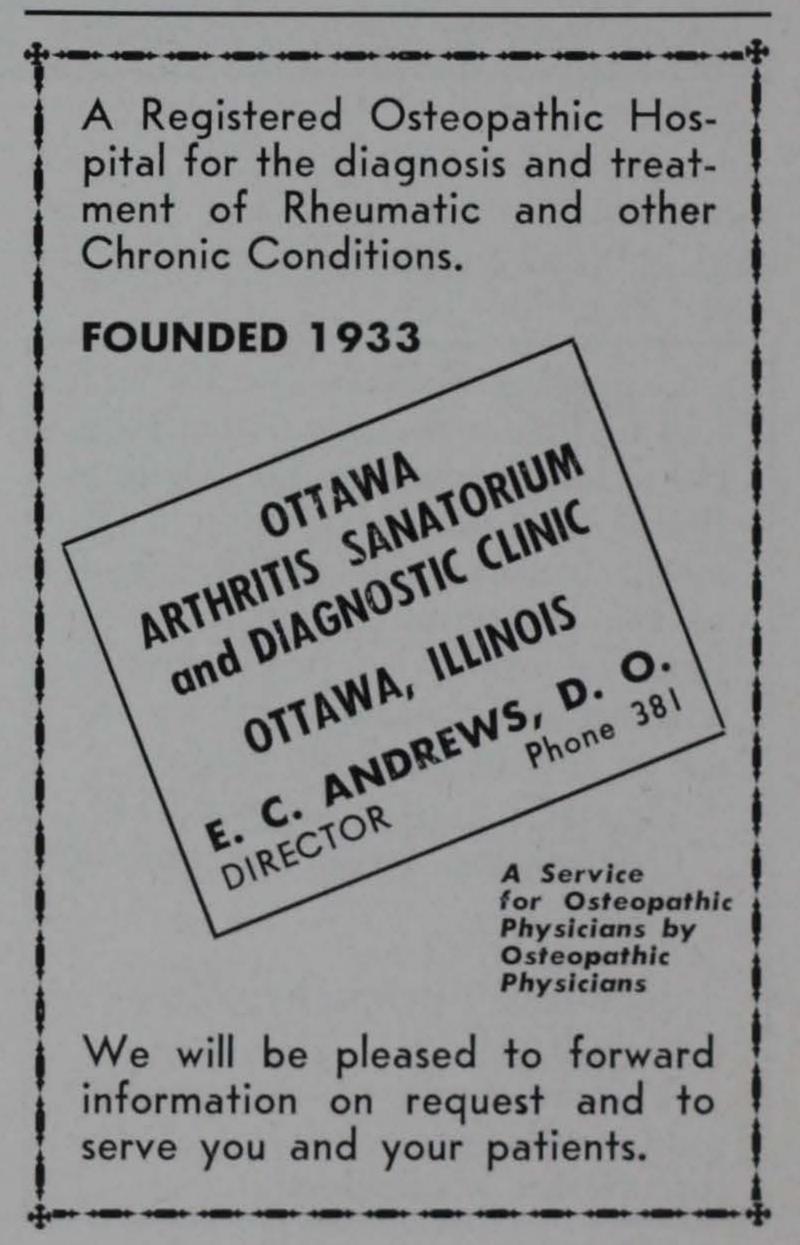
Every member of your Association should assume his share of the task of

cultivating and educating. Public Relations is everybody's job. John Wanamaker's great success as a merchant was due largely to the store motto which was impressed upon the minds of all employees: "All shall help and none shall hinder."

There are many Public Relations tools and media, such as the printed word in educational pamphlets and in osteopathic publications; newspapers, radio, movies, television, speakers before service clubs, veterans' organizations and participation in civic affairs.

These should be used to the end that you can ultimately say: "I like him and he likes me."

When you look around your home area and say "Nuthin' ever happens out here," just remember that big events are happening, right before your eyes—events that will have great bearing on the future of your profession. There is an old saying: "The world is your cow but you must do the milking."



## Signing Doctor's Title Bill



Members of the osteopathic profession viewing Governor Allan Shivers sign the Doctor's Title Law.

Seated: Governor Allan Shivers.

Left to right standing: Vincent P. Carroll, D. O., president of American Osteopathic Association; Senator Gus Srauss, Phil R. Russell, D. O., Executive Secretary; George J. Luibel, D. O., past president, Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons; Sam F. Sparks, D. O., president of Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons; Elmer C. Baum, D. O., president elect TAOP&S, and Senator George Parkhouse.

Beginning August 10, 1951, it will be illegal for any osteopathic physician licensed by the Medical Board of Examiners upon a diploma from an osteopathic school to use his name in print or on signs or otherwise professionally without designating same by the use of one of the following:

Physician and/or surgeon, D.O.; Osteopathic physician and/or surgeon;

doctor, D. O.;

doctor of osteopathy; osteopath; D. O.

This was one of the greatest public relations activity of the osteopathic profession.

The following article appeared in the Sunday, May 13, 1951, FORT WORTH STAR TELEGRAM

## Doctors Must Designate The Kind They Are—It's Law

Austin Staff Special.

AUSTIN, May 12.—If you're a doctor—just any kind of doctor—you'll need to do some checking in the first 90 days after the Legislature adjourns.

You're affected if you're one of the eight kinds recognized to heal humans in Texas.

You're affected if you treat horses and cows.

And what is more, you're affected if you're a preaching doctor, a teaching doctor or one of those honorary doctors

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who got recognition for healthy endowment of the alma mater.

If you use that title in any way—even signing letters—you have to identify your type of doctorate.

You have to show it on envelopes, letterheads, signs and (naturally) bill forms.

All this is caused by the doctor identification act which was signed into law this week.

It was sponsored by osteopaths and approved by all other branches of the healing arts as a means of giving the public full information about a doctor.

For them it is more serious. A third conviction can result in revocation of license to practice.

First offenders, though, can be fined \$100, second offenders \$500 and third-timers \$1,000.

These fines can be applied to any kind of doctor.

Naturally, the bill directs district and county attorneys to prosecute healing doctors.

But it applies to anybody who uses the term as a means of professional identification.

For professors, it requires designation of authority or the type of degree.

It is estimated there are about 14,000 County Clinic doctors practicing the healing arts in verton, Texas.

Texas, but there is no estimate of the total number who can be called "doctor."

For healing doctors, the identification will be D. O. for osteopaths, O. D. for optometrists, M. D. for medical doctors, N. D. for doctors of naturopathy, D. D. S. for doctors of dental surgery, D. M. D. for doctors of dental medicine, D. S. C. for surgical chiropodists, and D. C. for chiropractors.

Here for the signing into law was Dr. Vincent Carroll of Laguna Beach, Calif., president of the American Osteopathic Association; Dr. E. C. Baum of Austin, president-elect of the Texas Osteopathic Association; Dr. George Luibel of Fort Worth, past president of the state association; Dr. Phil Russell of Fort Worth, state legislative chairman; Senators Parkhouse of Dallas and Strauss of Hallettsville.

## Classified

For Sale: 12 bed Hospital and Clinic equipment, complete for OB and surgery; Home and rent property. Only hospital in county; community owned building, \$60.00 per month rental. This is a going concern with large drawing territory. Illness forces sale. Briscoe County Clinic Hospital, Box 515, Silverton, Texas.

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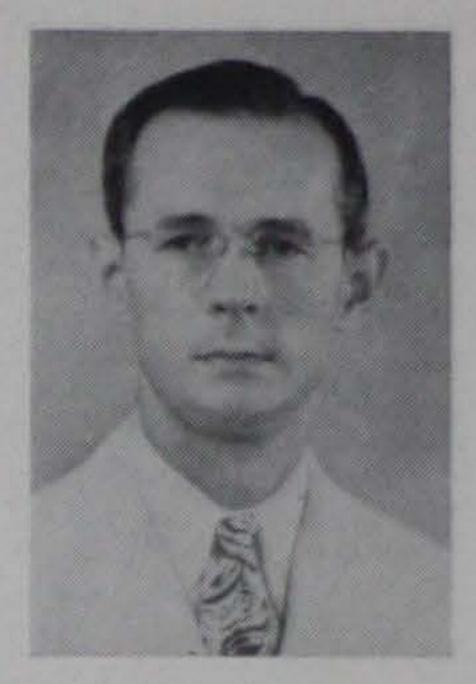
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## New Members Of The College Of Obstetrics And Gynecology

At its annual meeting held in Kansas City, Dr. Lloyd C. Woody was elected as a senior member to the College of Obstetrics and Gynecology; Dr. V. Mae Leopold, Dr. Charles C. Rahm, Dr. Wilbur Baldwin and Noel G. Ellis were elected junior members to the College.

We in Texas should be proud that our physicians are specializing and obtaining recognition from our specialty colleges.

## Dorland's New Medical Dictionary Gives Clear Definition Of Osteopathy

The twenty-second edition of Dorland's dictionary, "The American Illustrated Medical Dictionary", has just been released. The definition of osteopathy is that submitted by the editorial department of the A.O.A., except for one change of phrase. The text submitted read, "A school of medicine..." and that used in the book reads, "A system of therapy..."

"1. Any disease of the bone.

2. A system of therapy founded by Andrew Taylor Still (1828-1917) and based on the theory that the body is capable of making its own remedies against disease and other toxic conditions when it is in normal structural relationship and has favorable environmental conditions and adequate nutrition. It utilizes generally accepted physical, medicinal, and surgical methods of diagnosis and therapy, while placing chief emphasis on the importance of normal body mechanics and manipulative methods of detecting and correcting faulty structure".

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## Formal Opening Of Amarillo Osteopathic Maternity Hospital



The Amarillo Osteopathic Maternity Hospital held its formal opening Sunday, May 27, with open house, with the Auxiliary of the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital staff presiding at the punch bowl. Around 280 guests were shown through the building during the afternoon. The consolidation of the two hospitals in Amarillo represents one of the greatest steps in the profession in this part of the country, and our heartiest congratulations go out for their foresight and planning. From this date, all medical and surgical patients will be referred to the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital, and all maternity cases, including cesarean sections will be taken to the new maternity hospital.

The entire interior of the hospital is redecorated in pastels, and with the decoration of the number of flowers sent by the many friends of the profession, was especially attractive.

The hospital has 12 beds and features the rooming-in principle, a bassinet with individual preparation and storage drawers being in each room. There are two delivery rooms, with the latest in equipment, one labor room, and a large four-bassinet nursery with a modern

incubator with oxygen and heat equipment and full preparation for the care of the premature. Fully equipped laboratory and X-ray equipment complete the services.

Mrs. Bertha Byers, R. N., is supervisor of the hospital, and has had 18 years experience in this type of work. Four internes are available for duty so that an interne is on duty at all times. The hospital is staffed by the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital staff, and under the management of the manager of that hospital, Mr. G. D. Stephens.

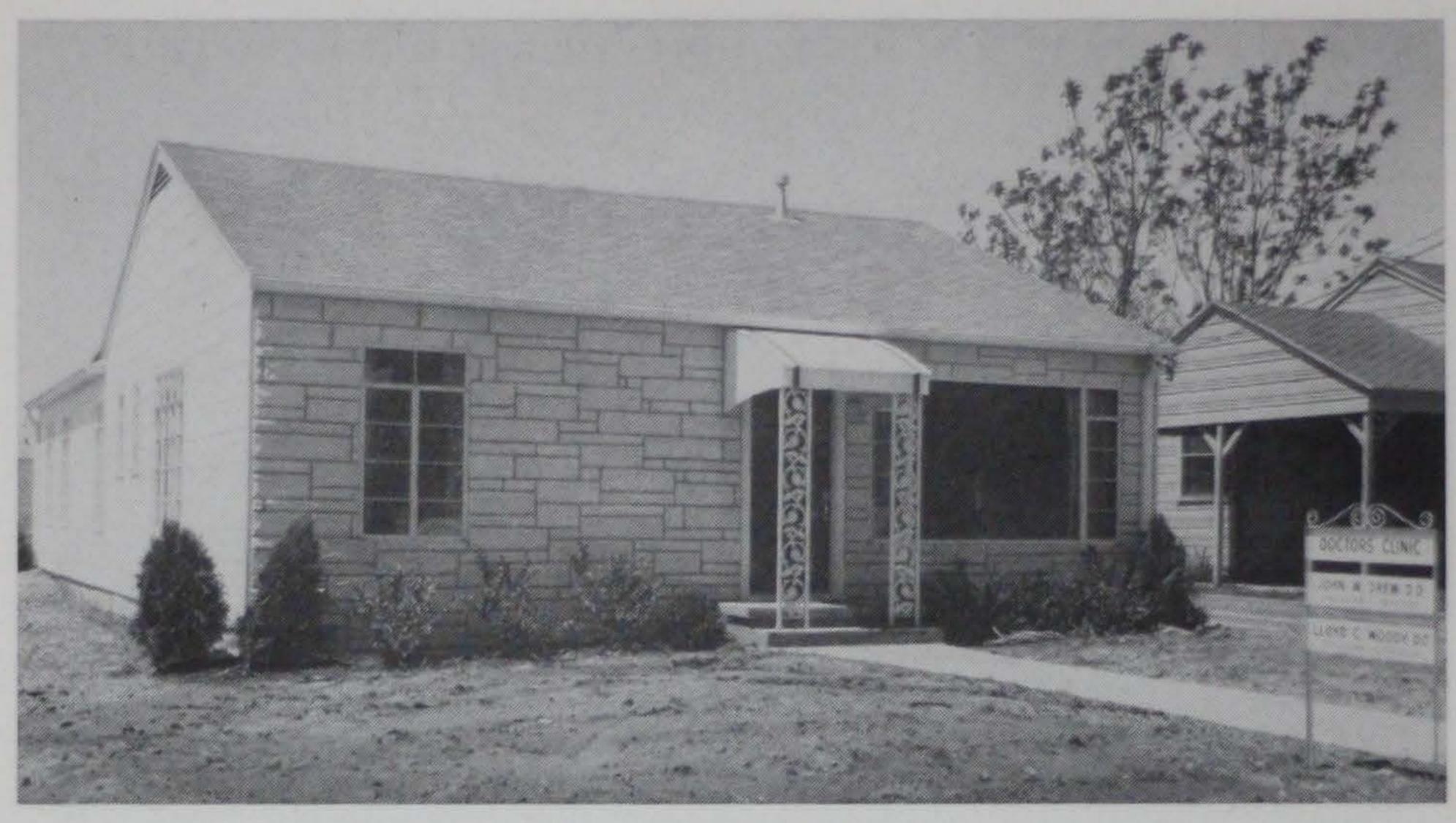
## New California Hospital Opens

Dr. Murray Weaver opened his new 30-bed osteopathic hospital in Ontario, Calif., in April. The institution was completed at a cost of \$25,000 and offers absolutely modern health service in the community.

The week before patients were admitted, Dr. Weaver conducted an open house to acquaint the citizens with the new facilities provided for their benefit.

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## Doctors Clinic

Doctors Clinic is a new Osteopathic It contains two waiting rooms, busi-Clinic located in west Oak Cliff at 1007 ness office, two doctors consultation of-South Hampton Road. The Clinic is operated by Dr. John W. Drew and Dr. Lloyd C. Woody.

ness office, two doctors consultation of-fices, laboratory, X-ray and five treat-ment rooms. The clinic interior is finished throughout with mahogany pan-



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eling and is supplied with Servel year round air conditioning. The clinic is equipped to do minor surgical procedures for which there is one recovery bed.

Dr. Drew holds a B. S. degree from the University of Florida and graduated from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy in 1939 and is past president of the Dallas County Osteopathic Association. He is engaged in general practice and has licenses in Pennsylvania, New York and Texas.

Dr. Woody received his pre-osteopathic training at the University of Texas and graduated from the Los Angeles College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons in 1944. He served an internship at the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital and is a Senior member of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Both are staff members of the Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospital.

## Iowa D. O. Receives Minnesota O. K.

Dr. Ralph P. Westfall, Boone, Ia., is the only Iowan who is an honorary game warden of the state of Minnesota. Dr. Westfall received an "Official Scroll" signed by Minnesota's governor early this year. Dr. Westfall suspects that he may have received this recognition because he has visited the neighboring state every summer for twenty-five years.

## Do You Fit Into Your Community?

By J. M. AUTEN, D. O.

Recently I had the opportunity of visiting with a group of physicians and the discussion turned to extracurricula activities in which one participates in their respective communities. Often, as a minority group in the healing arts or profession, we are prone to stay within our shell and, if asked to assist in community affairs other than something connected with our profession, we are reluctant to help for various reasons, either personal or otherwise.

Maybe we are too busy with our practice or maybe we are just not public spirited.

According to authorities, most of us are asking for security and, in doing so, we would rather trade our Democratic way of life to "letting Joe do it" for us. Who is Joe?

I believe, if asked, we should always be willing to work in local, state or national affairs.

A physician, with whom I was once associated, told me that he sure was

smart, that he had been able to avoid serving on either the City Council or the School Board. Was he smart? Everyone has his own answer for that.

If one never takes a definite stand, one is never criticized.

Personally, I have always been of the opinion it is better to take an honest stand on any subject until proved right or wrong by our ruling majority. That is Democracy.

It never hurts anyone's practice to have an opinion and let it be known. The people we dislike on opinions are those that are always right, no matter whether proved so or not.

At our recent state convention the job of Public Relations was discussed. In what ways may we promote better relations? Many, many, many—church, local government and service organizations.

The nation is looking for good men for these jobs. Maybe you could fill the bill.

# A Tribute To Dr. John L. Witt, Osteopathic Physician GROOM, TEXAS



John L. Witt, D. O. receiving an award from the school board of Groom, Texas.

Left to right: Mozelle Bural, editor of the high school annual; John L. Witt, D. O., to whom the annual was dedicated, and W. B. Harris, superintendent of the school.

The dedication reads: "For his fifteen years interest in the community's health and ten years interest in the community's education we proudly dedicate this 1951 TIGER to our general physician and president of the school board, Dr. John L. Witt."

Editor's Note: Public relations is a human relationship. It is not publicity. It is the result of love, devotion, sincerity of purpose and service, all of which add up to the fact that Dr. Witt has fulfilled his obligation to his community and from that comes not one but many awards as exemplified by the dedication of the high school Year Book to Dr. Witt and the Sunday morning radio broadcast dedicated to his life over Station KRNC, Amarillo, Texas, by Laura V. Hammer, a feature speaker of this station.

As an inspiration to our physicians, we reprint the script used on the program.

This is public relations, not publicity, and it cannot be bought or paid for.

More of our osteopathic physicians should earn an equal tribute.

(Here begins radio script)

Of all the towns in the Panhandle, Groom has shown itself to be the most loyal to its physicians. Groom people came to me and asked me to tell the story of that grand old physician, Dr. C. L. Fields.

I told that story with great pleasure, and its seemed to have given pleasure to many people. Now, once again Groom comes to me. They have another doctor, a young doctor whom they love dearly, and they want the world to

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know what a wonderful person they think he is. Mrs. J. E. Wagner wrote me to give his story, and I always do what she suggests. So today, folks, I give you the man of the hour, Dr. John L. Witt, Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon, Groom, Texas, a much loved man.

There is a special reason why I am telling his story today. Just last week, Dr. Witt was given one of the greatest surprises he ever had, in his life, and the greatest honor that the Groom School could ever bestow on him. The Groom High School seniors dedicated their annual to him and bestowed it in a big surprise party.

I wonder how many of you folks have had an annual dedicated to you. I never have. I was a teacher for many years, but no school ever honored me in that way, and I don't know many people that have had that honor. Of course, every school has an annual, and every school dedicates it to someone, but I just happen not to know many people who are as much loved by the school children as Dr. John L. Witt of Groom. There is a reason why he had this honor. For 10 years he has been a member of the school board in the town of Groom; for 9 years he has been president of the Board. He has don't everything he could to forward the school interests of the town and Groom folks are grateful.

An interesting feature in the life of Dr. Witt is that he has settled down, possibly to spend the rest of his life in a town just 70 miles from the place he was born. Back in the Eastern states, folks tell with amusement, and sometimes with pride, that they were born in a log cabin. Here in the Panhandle, people tell they were born in a dugout.

Dr. John Witt was born in a part dugout, and it was a dugout with a history.

His family moved from Collin County to Foard County, then two years later, in 1900, they came to the Panhandle. I am not sure just who was in the party.

There were Dr. Witt's mother and father, and Tom Ingram and Uncle Bill Hampton, and I don't know how many children the Witts had when they came, but the place they lived was in a halfdugout in Wheeler County, not far from Mobeetie. The woodwork in that dugout was part of the old fort, Fort Elliott, near Mobeetie. The fort was being torn down so part of the lumber was used in making the Witt home. While a lot of people were born in dugouts in the Panhandle not many can say, as Dr. Witt can, that they were born in a dugout made of timbers from a fort built to keep the Indians in order.

John Foster Witt, father of Dr. John L. Witt, and his wife Paralee, had nine children, six girls and three boys. Not being satisfied with having only nine in the family, they reared two cousins of their children, John V. London and Tom Graves. The oldest daughter, Eugenia, died and Tom Graves, their foster son was killed in World War I, but six

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of their children are scattered around the Panhandle. With one of their daughters in Dallas and one in Bard, New Mexico, John London is now Dr. John London, partner of Dr. John L. Witt.

The Witts are people who are closely tied to each other. The brothers and sisters are so devoted in their love of each other, that if you want to get in trouble, just say something to one Witt against another Witt. You will find that you will regret it. They are all proud of Dr. John.

That historic dugout, home of John Foster Witt, in the early part of this century, was on Porter Flats in Wheeler County, and John Witt remembers well that he walked two miles to that Porter Flats school. His father was a trustee of that school for thirty years, but John didn't stay at home during all that time. He got out in the world and made his own living. After he passed the fifth or sixth grade in Porter Flats, a rather loosely graded school, he went to Wheeler to school, driving five miles in a buggy for a while, later riding horseback those five miles. He could not get to school but about three months in a year and that did not satisfy John Witt. At that rate he would be as gray as a rat before he got an education and he meant to have the best he could get. He went to Perryton to school for one whole year. He did odd jobs to support himself. After that, he came to Amarillo High School and worked at a dairy, getting up at 4:00 a. m. and working till 10:00 p. m. and going to school during the day. During that time he played on the Yannigan team, and between you and me, I think that was one of the happiest experiences of his life.

He did not graduate from the Amarillo school. Sentiment made him go back to Wheeler for the last two months of the school year and graduate with his old school mates. A diploma from the Amarillo school would perhaps have

carried more weight than a small town school such as Wheeler was then, but that would not weigh heavily with a Witt. They are too loyal in their attitude.

All his life John Witt wanted to be a physician. Now that he had his high school diploma, he decided to enter Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery at Kirksville, Missouri. He spent four years there, then came to Amarillo and served as interne with Drs. Cradit and Vick.

September 6, 1935, was a great day for John Witt. It was a great day for Groom, too, for on that day, Dr. Witt went to Groom with \$3.00 in his pocket and the determination to get an office there and begin practice.

His first difficulty was that he could not find an office. There was a hotel that had plenty of vacant rooms, but J. W. Knorpp, owner and operator of the hotel, was reluctant to rent him a room.

"You might fail in your business," said Mr. Knorpp, "and if you do, it it would not help the reputation of this hotel."

"I am coming," returned John Witt. "If I fail, no one will be to blame but me." This was sixteen years ago, folks, and Dr. Witt is still there.

Dr. Witt rented a part of the hotel for an office and announced that he had set up in business. His first patient was Phil Farley. Then others came and John Witt enjoyed a day of the greatest riches of all his life. In one day, he made \$12.50.

Patients came again and again. His business grew. Mr. Knorpp built another room adjoining the one Dr. Witt used as an office, giving him larger office space.

One Sunday morning, he went to church; when he stood up to sing he laid his hat on the seat beside him. When he went to sit down, he was surprised to find that his hat was in the hands of a pretty young lady in the

seat beside him. She had evidently just picked it up. He had never seen her before and had no idea what she was doing with his hat. When the services were over, he discovered that she was Miss Helen Martin, who was teaching at Lark and living in Groom. She taught a Sunday School class of small boys and they were sitting with her. Dr. Witt stood up to sing, and when he was about to resume his seat, a small boy could not resist the temptation to shove Dr. Witt's hat along the seat so that when he sat down he would sit on it and crush it. The teacher snatched the hat up to save it and was painfully embarrassed when Dr. Witt turned surprised eyes upon her. That was the beginning of the romance of his life. On July 3, 1937, they were married.

John V. London, the boy who was reared in John Witt's family, had studied osteopathy and was practicing in Seagraves. Dr. Witt's practice grew so heavy that he needed help so he induced John London to come to Groom and enter into partnership with him. Their practice grew so heavy and they needed room so badly that in 1946, they bought the hoted and made a hospital of it.

During the years that Dr. Witt has been practicing in Groom, he has taken time out for studying. He has been to Denver three times, and has studied in Oklahoma City and Chicago and has been admitted to the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons.

Dr. Witt has two children, Dan, born in 1939, and Lynell in 1943. He has recently built a lovely home of pink Arizona stone.

I have been thinking as I talk about Dr. Witt that this may not seem to you to be such an important story, that I should give one of my Sunday mornings to, but it is just the kind of a story that I would like to tell you often. There is no great tragedy in Dr. Witt's life; there is no highly dramatic incident; there is no great fame connected with him, but he is the type of man on which

our government is built; a man who lives a simple, earnest, honest life, in a small town, giving the best he has to that town. That's Dr. John L. Witt. He has served on the school board, as I have told you; he has been City Health Officer for fourteen years; he belongs to the Church of Christ, which met in a store building until he helped to build a nice church. Groom people say that he is in the big middle of everything for the good of the town and the county, that he has patients from distant towns and other states who come to him to treat them. That he is a good father, a good husband, a good neighbor, and a good citizen.

Groom loves Dr. John Witt.

I think perhaps that Dr. Witt has a dream and that is that one day there will be another name in his firm, that name will be Dr. Dan Witt, his little son grown up then, ready to take over his father's practice and serve the Groom people through another generation.

Next week we will talk at Plainview.

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## Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association Meeting



Left: Milton V. Gafney, D. O., president elect, Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association.

Right: Roy B. Fisher, D. O., president, Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association.

Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association met at Hotel Texas Sunday June 3.

Dr. Roy B. Fisher took over the leadership of this group from Dr. Merle Griffin, and Dr. Milton V. Gafney was elected president elect, Dr. H. M. Grice was named vice president, and

Mr. L. C. Baxter was elected secretary-treasurer.

There were 36 representatives of hospitals at this meeting, representing 23 of the 40 hospitals in Texas.

Most of the meeting was devoted to the details of handling insurance

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claims, standardization of hospital equipment, public relations and the general problems of hospital management.

Dr. Elmer C. Baum, president elect of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons addressed the meeting, calling attention to the fact that the Hospital Association was an allied organization of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and that the two groups were working toward the common goal of bettering the health of the public.

Dr. Phil R. Russell of Fort Worth, executive seccretary of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, explained the procedures of getting approval from the Bureau of Hospitals of American Osteopathic Association for intern training and registration of hospitals.

Dr. Milton Gafney discussed at length insurance problems, showing comparative charts of claims paid by insurance companies to hospitals.

Miss Joannah Gordy of Lubbock, assistant to Mr. Porter, business manager of Porter Clinic Hospital, spoke on public relations.

A luncheon was had and new officers

installed.

## Special Course In Anatomy Given At C. O. P. S.

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## Washington News Letter

## Emergency Maternity And Infant Care

We have had several inquiries as to the present status of EMIC.

The Emergency Maternity and Infant Care program expired June 30, 1949. There was never any basic legislation for the program. It depended upon annual appropriation bills for authority and funds.

Two bills of an EMIC character are now pending before Congress.

HR. 3349 would authorize the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force to pay directly or reimburse for expenses incurred by the wife of any member of the Armed Forces up to \$100 when necessary to alleviate financial hardship in connection with childbirth (including expenses of prenatal and postnatal care). That program would be administered by the military, whereas EMIC during World War II was administered by the Children's Bureau and State health officers under State plans. Furthermore, under HR. 3349 the wife of any officer or enlisted man may qualify, whereas under EMIC only the wives and infants of the four lower grades of enlisted men could qualify.

Under S. 1245 EMIC would be revived in the form of basic legislation, except that the wives and infants of all enlisted men may qualify.

Although EMIC expired two years ago, the anti-discriminatory provision relating to persons licensed to practice obstetrics has continued to be included in the annual Federal Security Agency appropriation laws. The provision would apply against the Children's Bureau in the event S. 1245 should be enacted, but of course it would have no application if the program were carried on by the military as proposed in HR. 3349.

The AOA Department of Public Re-

lations will offer testimony in any scheduled hearings on either bill with a view to assuring the privilege of use of osteopathic physicians and osteopathic hospitals.

Dr. Martha M. Eliot, then associate chief of the Children's Bureau and Dr. Edwin F. Dailey, director of the Bureau's Division of Health were chiefly responsible for administering EMIC. Dr. Eliot was succeeded by Dr. Leona Baumgartner and more recently by Dr. Katherine Bain (formerly director of Division of Research). Dr. Dailey has resigned effective June 4, to become deputy medical director of the Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York.

## Civil Defense Conference

The American Osteopathic Association, the Osteopathic Women's National Association and the American Osteopathis Hospital Association were invited and sent delegates to a national civil defense conference in Washington May 7 and 8 called by Federal Civil Defense Administrator Millard Caldwell. Delegates from some 300 organizations representing an estimated fifty million persons were in attendance. President Truman, Vice-President Barkley, Speaker Rayburn and Governors Warren of California and Lausche of Ohio were among those on the program to be seen and heard. The object of the conference was to dispel the reason for and combat apathy on the part of the people towards civil defense. The staff of FCDA conducted the conference through seven forums entitled Civil Defense Organization, Technical Services, Health and Emergency Welfare Services, Public Affairs, Role of the Military in Civil Defense, and Training and Education.

Dr. Norvin C. Kiefer, Director, Health and Special Weapons Defense, told the conference that with sufficient Federal and State appropriations and the cooperation of industry, organizaere

tions and individuals, the pre-attack phase of his Division's program would be complete on schedule, by May 1, 1952. In the meantime, he said:

"There is practically no reserve of surgical instruments, dressings and other textiles and related supplies, of litters and emergency cots, of certain drugs and antibiotics, and

many other essential items.

"Whole blood," he pointed out, cannot be stored more than three weeks. There is no civil defense stock of plasma and there isn't going to be for some time to come, until the limited existing plasma processing and blood collecting facilities can be greatly expanded.

"Adequate reserves of biological and chemical preparations needed to prevent or treat sickness resulting from biological warfare are not available. There are no civil defense stocks of the two types of drugs needed for treatment of nerve gas casualties.

"There is no stockpile of any of the three major categories of radiological monitoring instruments needed.

"There is no stock of heavy-duty gas masks for civil defense workers nor of cheap, disposable masks for the rest of the civilian population.

"The time required for full delivery

of essential civil defense health supplies varies greatly, according to the items, from a few weeks to as much as two years," Dr. Kiefer said.

"Practically all of the health supply industries," he pointed out, "are now in full normal production. Additional production could therefore be accomplished only by round-theclock operations, discontinuing some less essential items and expansion of present manufacturing facilities." He declared the time required for production of these resources emphasized the need for prompt action

in placing orders.

Dr. Kiefer said the need for first aid supplies in every home in each target area should be apparent, but that if each of these homes purchased standard first aid kits, "our surgical dressing industry would be bled to death by thousands of small, individual purchases." He said the FCDA has devised a list of useful home first aid supplies requiring a minimum of critical items and a maximum of such things as muslin triangular bandages, old towels and sheets.

He said the FCDA has also recommended, as the most economical and effective method of stockpiling: (1)

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local storage of first aid supplies for the first few post-disaster hours, with Federal grants-in-aid to States to help purchase them, and (2) substantial Federal stockpiles to back up local supplies to be located in safe areas but within four hours' transportation of target cities.

Dr. Kiefer also pointed out that during a national emergency, civilian production must be maintained "while meeting the enormous additional needs of the military services and civil defense."

"No matter how imminent the danger to civilians, civil defense would not dare to take over the total output of any type of health supply and thus make it unavailable to the Armed Forces or to civilian hospitals," he declared.

"All of these factors have been evaluated in making our plans and in formulating our times schedules," Dr. Kiefer said.

The advice of the military that an atomic attack on the United States is possible and that there is no certain military defense against it, and that our enemies are capable of launching an effective atomic attack on our cities and industrial centers was stressed throughout the conference. It was pointed out that an effective civil defense can reduce casualties and damage by atomic attack by 50%. It would therefore be foolhardy not to have and maintain an effective civil defense setup for that purpose. Such a setup would be on a permanent basis, and not subject to fluctuations of hysteria and apathy.

All organizations present were urged to institute an immediate calm and constructive educational campaign among their membership for a sustained cooperation in effecting civil defense at the local and State levels.

## Conference With President Truman

The impatience with Presidential inaction that was manifested by many members of Congress during and as the result of AOA testimony presented before the House Armed Services Committee hearings on the Draft Act Amenments bill, S. 1, pointing out the failure of the Executive arm of the government to commission osteopathic graduates in the Medical Corps in accordance with previously granted Congressional authority, prompted the AOA Department of Public Relations to arrange through the good offices of Congressman Doyle, member of the Armed Services Committee, a conference with President Truman which took place on May 18, 1951. Attending the conference were Mr. Doyle and Drs. Carroll, Swope, Watson, Wood, Pugh, Cayler, and McCaughan.

A report of the conference was carried in the May 21st issue of the Washington Report on the Medical Sciences, a private weekly publication which has wide medical circulation, as follows:

"Truman Sees Osteopaths' Head on Military Service-Dr. Vincent P. Carroll, of Laguna Beach, Calif., president of American Osteopathic Association, was at White House Friday for a talk with President Truman. Purpose of visit, in general terms, was to assure Chief Executive that country's osteopathic physicians and surgeons wish to make maximum contribution to the mobilization and defense effort. At brass tack level, Mr. Truman was politely reminded that all three armed services continue to eschew commissioning of osteopaths in medical corps despite authorization to do so. Also, that as far back as late 1945 the President said he would look into the question and, while this 6-year interval has witnessed practical recognition of os-

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teopathic medicine by U. S. Public Health Service and Veterans Administration, the military persists in holding back."

President Truman was very gracious and keenly interested. He appeared aware of the problem, but was unable to commit himself further than assurance that he would give the matter his attention.

At the close of the conference a written statement signed by Drs. Carroll and Swope was handed the President.

May 18, 1951

The Honorable Harry S. Truman The White House Washington, D. C.

Mr. President:

On June 1, 1945 Senator Frank Briggs brought some of us to see you about the failure of the medical departments of the Veterans Administration and the Armed Services to use doctors of osteopathy and medical officers in rendering professional services in accordance with their responsibilities. You manifested a very sympathetic interest.

On January 3, 1946, you signed into law Public Law 293, Sec. 5 of which states: "Any person to be eligible for appointment in the Department of Medicine and Surgery (of the Veterans Administration) must—\*\*Hold the degree of doctor of medicine or of doctor of osteopathy from a college or university approved by the Administrator, have

completed an internship satisfactory to the Administrator, and be licensed to practice medicine, surgery, or osteopathy in one of the States or Territories of the United States or in the District of Columbia."

Pursuant to that law, five osteopathic physicians are now serving as physicians in the Medical Service of the Veterans Administration and other applications are pending.

On August 2, 1946 you signed into law Public Law 604, Sec. 41 of which reads as follows: "The President, in his discretion, is authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, graduates of reputable schools of osteopathy as commissioned medical officers in the Navy, in such numbers as the President should determine to be necessary to meet the needs of the Naval Service for officers trained and qualified in osteopathy."

Navy Surgeon General Ross T. Mc-Intire and the Deputy Surgeon General William Agnew, pursuant to that law, called a representative of the American Osteopathic Association into conference and instituted preparations for carrying out the law. Before final preparations materialized, Surgeon General Clifton A. Swanson and Deputy Surgeon General H. L. Pugh (now Surgeon General) were appointed and in a conference had with the new Surgeon General and his Deputy the early part of 1947 we were informed that nothing would be

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done by that office unless and until ordered so to do by their superiors. We conferred and communicated with their superiors in the Navy Department and were told that the matter was up to the Surgeon General entirely. Without your intercession, the professional services of osteopathic physicians will continue unavailable for servicemen.

Many of our graduates in recent years have applied for medical commissions under this law and they have been turned down by letters which say: "The regulations governing appointment in the Medical Corps of the United States Naval Service require that candidates be graduates of medical schools listed as approved by the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association. The fact that you will not upon your graduation meet this latter requirement would preclude the favorable consideration of your application by this Bureau."

We are confident that our graduates will rally to your call. We prayerfully urge you to appoint a minimum of twenty-five osteopathic graduates, each, as medical officers in the Medical Corps of the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Respectfully submitted,
VINCENT P. CARROLL, D. O.,

President

C. D. SWOFE, D. O.,

Chairman

Department of Public Relations.

## Priorities

1. National Production Authority (NPA) Order M-4, as amended May 3, 1951, requires special authorization for construction of schools and hospitals which require the use of more than 25 tons of steel.

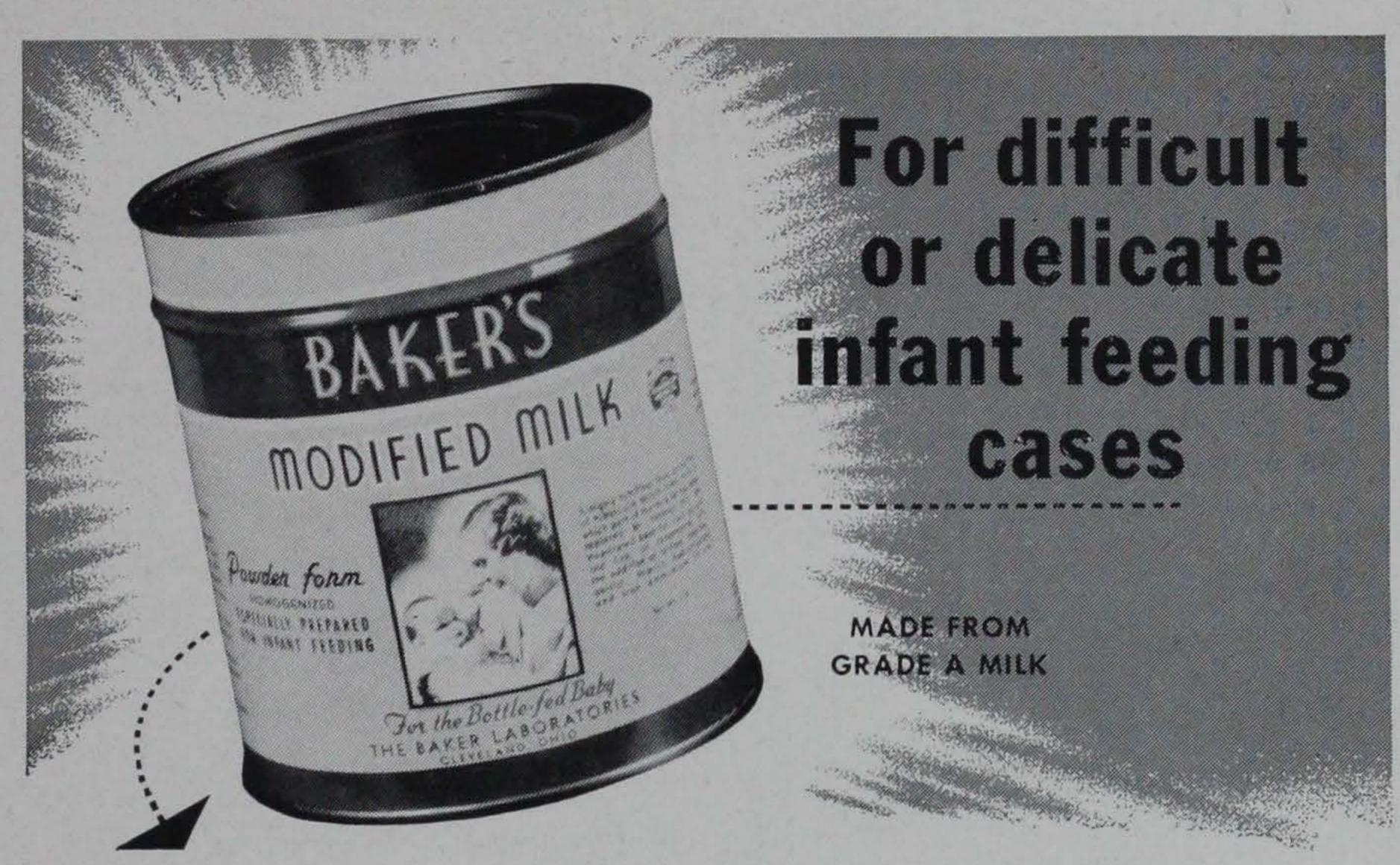
2. Any osteopathic hospital, physician, clinic, research laboratory or manufacturer or producer for these groups who needs (MRO) maintenance, repair and operating supplies and supplies for minor capital additions costing less

than \$750, and is having trouble getting the supplies, can self-apply a DO-97 rating and present it with his order to his supplier. The rating is applied by placing on the order or on a separate piece of paper attached to the order the symbol "DO-97" together with the words "Certified under NPA Reg. 4." This procedure is authorized by NPA Reg. 4 as amended April 16, 1951. The rating should not be used if the individual or institution can get the materials without using it, because its use operates to restrict the amount of materials the user can obtain for the rest of the calendar year.

If more than MRO is required, then an application for priority rating DO-45 may be made. The application should be submitted through the Federal Security Agency Regional Medical Director for the particular area (see page 24), as FSA acts as the claimant and will present the application to NPA. The application must show that several efforts to obtain the items through normal channels have failed. At least the following documentation is required:

- 1. Name of project
- 2. Location
- 3. Owner
- 4. For each of the problem materials give:
  - a. Type of material and description
  - b. Weight
  - c. Cost
  - d. Name and address of supplier with whom the order had been placed
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#### Maine Hospital Fund Drive Under Way

The Osteopathic Hospital of Maine conducted a \$250,000 fund raising drive during May. The object was to complete plans for improvement and new construction to enlarge the facilities. The campaign was announced by Mr. Albert E. Libby, chairman of the board of trustees.

The fifty physicians on staff have subscribed \$80,000 toward the goal which will raise the bed capacity from the present forty-one to sixty-five. Beside the additional beds, the new plans include an X-ray department now housed in a separate building, a new heating plant, a new laboratory, kitchen, medical room, waiting room, and staff meeting room.

#### The Doctor's Income Tax

PROBABLY you have never stopped to think about it, but your doctor gets a "raw deal" on his income tax rate.

Most of us employed by companies are covered by pension or profit-sharing plans chalked up to "operating expenses." We are not taxed for these extra earnings until we receive them. By then, most of us are retired and our tax burdens are reduced because we are in the lower income tax brackets. Among physicians and other professional workers, only those employed by companies are eligible for such pensions. Most professional persons are self-employed; they cannot charge off a pension to business expenses.

The physician has the longest training period among professional

people, starting to earn around age 28. During his nine or more years of training, his lost income and expenses amount to about \$35,000. Accordingly, he must earn \$5000 extra each year in order to catch up to the person who went to work at 18. His lifetime earnings are bunched into relatively few peak earning years. During these years he is in a higher income tax bracket.

Over a lifetime, then, he pays more taxes than a man who earns the same amount over a longer period, and he cannot finance any part of a pension out of tax free business expenses.

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## Comments On Public Relations

By MERLE GRIFFIN, D. O.

Corpus Christi (Tex.) Osteopathic Hospital

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Unfortunately, there are not enough graduate nurses from osteopathic training schools to staff the various osteopathic hospitals. Consequently, it is of utmost importance that regular personnel meetings (especially for the nurses) be called, and an educational program conducted at each of these meetings.

Many, many patients inquire as to the difference in an osteopathic hospital and the socalled old line or allopathic institution. How can they answer this query unless they themselves have been educated beforehand?

Not only will these meetings serve as an educational program, so far as the profession is concerned, but at the same time nurse, doctor, and hospital patient relationship can be discussed and outlined.

Many patients have never been in any hospital before; consequently, they are apprehensive, they are not familiar, through no fault of their own, of hospital procedures.

If our osteopathic institutions will do just a little better job through education and instruction of patients, as well as a wholehearted welcome and an attitude of helpfulness toward them, our public relations will be stronger than they ever have before; which adds up to one thing—PROGRESS.

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## Everett W. Wilson, D. O.

### Reappointed to the Texas State Board Of Medical Examiners

Governor Allan Shivers reappointed Dr. Everett W. Wilson and Dr. Wendell Styles, and appointed Dr. J. G. Rodarte, Dr. Cecil Greer and Dr. Chester B. Gardner as new members of the Board.

The Board held its reorganization in Fort Worth in June and the following officers were elected:

Dr. H. L. Klotz, president; Dr. Howard Smith, vice-president; Dr. M. H. Crabb, secretary-treasurer.

The following is a list of the Board members and the schools they represent:

#### ALLOPATHIC

Dr. H. L. Klotz, Austin
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Dr. M. H. Crabb, Fort Worth
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### ECLECTIC

Dr. Cecil Greer, Houston

Dr. Chester B. Gardner, Merkel

## HOMEOPATH

Dr. Wendell Styles, Dallas

## Osteopathic Physician Chosen Man Of The Week

Dr. Armanre J. Porias, 73 Webster Street, Irvington, N. J., was chosen "Man of the Week" in his community recently. Dr. Porias was one of the few members of the healing arts selected to study atomic nucleolar observation at Oak Ridge, Tenn., in 1949.

Dr. Porias is a certified radiologist with offices at 94 Clinton Ave., Newark.

# AUXILIARY NEWS

## Sixth Annual Child Health Clinic

Amarillo, Texas

The Sixth Annual Child Health Clinic, held at the Crystal Ballroom of the Herring Hotel in Amarillo on Friday and Saturday, May 18 and 19, was a complete success. Although a deluge of rain which broke a 60-year record fell during the week, 158 children up to eight years of age, from Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle, were examined. Some thirty-five Osteopathic physicians from the Panhandle District made the examinations. Dr. Heber Hixson of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Dr. Sam Hitch of Lubbock, Texas, assisted in the booth of Cranial Osteopathy, and Mrs. Wiley Rountree of San Angelo, Texas, speech correctionist, worked with some of the children. Dr. Phil R. Russell, Executive Secretary of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, also was in attendance. Dr. Robert R. Tonkens, of Kansas City, Missouri, was the diagnostic pediatrician. On the afternoon of May 17 the ballroom, under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Mann, chairman, was transformed into a clinic by means of removable partitions. There were booths for skin; weights and measures; ear, nose and throat; eye; nervous system; genito-urinary system; osteopathic; and cranial examinations. There was also a booth for Dr. Tonkens who saw each child with the parents, and who summarized the findings of the other physicians, and made recommendations. The Auxiliary to the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospitals sponsored the Clinic. They were assisted by the members of the Auxiliary to the Panhandle District of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, and by several lay women.

The Clinic was preceded on Thurs-

day evening by a dinner held in the Crystal ballroom, with Dr. Robert R. Tonkens as honor guest. About forty persons were present, the Physicians and Auxiliary members being joined by several interested lay people. Mrs. J. H. Chandler, president of the Auxiliary to the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospitals, presided. Mrs. Norman Harris, violinist, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. J. Francis Brown, played several numbers and Dr. Tonkens made a short speech. A social hour followed.

Editor's Note: The editor had the privilege of attending this Child Health Clinic. This truly was a public relations function for District One and it is something that all auxiliaries or district societies should sponsor.

It will prove to the public that we are interested in taking care of our future generations.

## Auxiliary Scholarships Awarded

Five \$800 scholarships to qualified freshmen entering accredited osteopathic colleges this fall have just been awarded by the Auxiliary to the American Osteopathic Association, according to Lawrence W. Mills, director of the office of education, A.O.A.

Those honored are Elizabeth W. Smith, 721 Thayer Street, Akron, O.; John Francis Thesing, 309 E. Walnut Street, Lancaster, O.; Sydney Allen Fogel, 3000 W. Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.; Charles Francis Finnell, Chenoa, Ill.; and James Richard Tyler, 20 Hall Avenue, Jamestown, N. Y.

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Requirements for winners are citizenship in the United States or Canada, high scholastic standing, completion of pre-professional training, aptitude for the osteopathic profession, good moral character and high personality rating, and need of assistance.

The auxiliary's scholarship committee is Mrs. D. D. Waitley, Evanston, Ill., chairman; Mrs. T. H. Lacey, Parkersburg, W. Va., president of the organization; and Dr. W. C. Eldrett, Chicago, Ill., dean of the Chicago College of Osteopathy and members of the American Association of Osteopathic colleges. Mr. Mills meets with them in an advisory capacity.

Four hundred dollars will be applied toward tuition at the beginning of the students' freshman year, and if they maintain their scholarship standing the remainder will be applied at the beginning of the sophomore year.

Miss Smith, whose score was highest, has a PhD. from the University of less Missouri, Columbia, Mo., and has taught zoology at Kent State University, Kent, O., for ten years. Through her enthusiasm for osteopathy she has been instrumental in sending five students to Chicago College of Osteopathy. When she enters in the fall these pupils will be her schoolmates.

Auxiliary District One

On Sunday, May 20, the Physicians and the Auxiliary to Texas District One Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons had dinner in the coffee shop of the Herring Hotel, afterwards adjourning to a junior ballroom where they were addressed by Dr. Robert R. Tonkens, Pediatrician of Kansas City, Missouri, who had acted as summarizing diagnostician for the Child Health Clinic. Dr. Tonkens complimented the group on the splendid Clinic just concluded, and particularly for the spirit of cooperation and good fellowship which was evident. He made sugges-

tions for next year's clinic, and predicted that within a few years larger quarters would have to be obtained. On behalf of the Auxiliary to the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospitals, Mrs. E. H. Mann presented a gift to Dr. Tonkens.

The Auxiliary then moved to another room where Dr. Phil R. Russell, Executive Secretary of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, made a splendid talk on "Osteopathya Philosophy of Health." He stressed that a normal body is a well body. He also discussed the new Texas law which requires that each doctor of whatever school of healing must identify himself professionally. This law had had the endorsement of the Osteopathic profession in the Texas Legislature.

During the business meeting, at which fourteen members were present, Mrs. John L. Witt of Groom, Texas, President, presided, and Mrs. Lewis Pittman of Borger, Texas, acted as Secretary pro tem. Reports on the state convention held at the Shamrock Hotel at Houston, Texas, April 26 and 27 were given by Mrs. D. H. Cox of Hedley, Texas, Mrs. L. J. Vick of Amarillo, and by Mrs. Witt.

The next meeting will be held August 12. It will be in the form of a picnic in the lovely back yard at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Vick in Amarillo, and in charge of the Ways and Means Committee, of which Mrs. Vick is chairman.

Following the District Auxiliary meeting, the business meeting of the Auxiliary to the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospitals was held. Mrs. I. H. Chandler, President, presided, and Mrs. Glenn R. Scott was Secretary pro tem. Reports were given on the Child Health Clinic, and plans made for next year. Plans were also made for assisting with the Formal Opening of the Amarillo Osteopathic Maternity Hospital (formerly the Washington Center Osteopathic Clinic) on May 27. Mrs. J. Francis Brown,

Mrs. Ed R. Mayer, Jr., and Mrs Glenn R Scott were appointed to direct the activities of the Auxiliary's part. Election of officers was had, with the following results: Mrs. L. V. Cradit, President; Mrs. E. H. Mann, Vice President; Mrs. J. Francis Brown, Secrectary; and Mrs. Harold M. Gorrie, Treasurer.

The next meeting will be held June 20, 1951.

FLORA CHANDLER, Reporter

### **Auxiliary District Two**

The Fort Worth Osteopathic Guild its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. R. B. Beyer, 312 Ridgewood Road, the evening of May 7.

Twenty-six members were present and one guest, Mrs. Joe Bonham.

A lengthy business meeting was held and many major and minor decisions were made.

Then our usual number of surgical dressings and Hospital supplies were made and we were all ready for the good coffee and cake our hostess served.

By MRS. C. E. DICKEY

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Martha Louise, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Louis H. Logan, graduates from Sunset High School in Dallas and will enter Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, this fall.

Martha Louise won the Everts Award for scholarship, the Four-year Linz pin for being continuously on the honor roll and is a member of the national honorary society.

In addition to these honors, Martha Louise was voted by the student body the outstanding school citizen for the year. The vote on this takes into consideration all the extra-curricular activities in which Martha Louise participated. These included being associate editor for the school paper "Sunset High Stampede", as well as playing the lead in the senior play.

Mrs. Robert E. Morgan, presidentelect of the national auxiliary, and Dr. Robert E. Morgan, national trustee, attended the Florida convention May 10, 11 and 12, 1951, where Mrs. Morgan spoke before the auxiliary and professionally the night of the president's banquet.

Dr. Morgan appeared before the General Assembly and spoke on Veterans Affairs and again at the president's banquet and put in a plug for Texas by inviting the Florida group to attend our convention next year.

## Auxiliary District Six

District Six Auxiliary to the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons met June 3, at 10:30 a. m. at the Warwick Hotel, Houston.

Katherine Vinn, president, was unable to attend due to the death of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Lilly Vingrprova. We all offer our sympathies to Katherine and Ed.

In Katherine's absence, Edith Thompson took charge of the meeting.

Members present were Jayne Badger, Irma Grice, Edith Thompson, Marion Wilson, Mildred Cunningham, Teenie Alexander, Cecile Platt, Florence Garrison, and Bertie Farquharson.

Our guest speaker for the meeting was Dr. Auldine Hammond of Beaumont and Port Arthur. Dr. Auldine gave a very interesting talk on "What Everyone Should Know About Herself."

Teenie and "Alec" Alexander are looking forward to a grand summer at Eagle Rock Lodge, Wimberley, Texas. The Alexanders have recently purchased a home in Wimberley and are very busy furnishing it.

Wanda and Stan Hess and family are also off to a two weeks' vacation at Hunt.

Vacation time is here!

By MRS. S. E. HESS, JR.

# NEWS OF THE DISTRICTS

#### DISTRICT ONE

The Panhandle Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons held its regular Spring meeting at the Herring Hotel, May 20, with about 40 doctors, wives and guests, present. The meeting came at the close of the annual Child Health Clinic, sponsored by the Auxiliary, which was considered one of the best held yet, and Dr. R. R. Tonkens, Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery, Coordinator for the Clinic, stayed over to give a most informative and interesting talk on the Management of the Premature Infant. Dr. Phil Russell came up for the meeting and drove home Public Relations with a talk that made an impression of their obligations on everyone present. Dr. Dwight Cox gave a report on the session of the House of Delegates at the recent State Convention, and Dr. L. J. Vick gave a summary of the O.P.F. program and the value of the work to be done.

Dr. J. Gordon Stewart, Clarendon, held open house the thirteenth of May for his new clinic, and their visiting hours had to be extended an extra three hours to accommodate the crowd. It is a most efficient combination of the latest equipment and beautifully decorated, and our heartiest congratulations are extended.

Dr. W. Paul Roberts of Panhandle is another who opened a new clinic this past month, and entertained the staff of the Groom Osteopathic Hospital at their monthly staff meeting. He, too, is to be congratulated on his new building. It is very efficient and most attractively decorated.

The monthly staff meeting of the Groom Osteopathic Hospital was well attended at the Panhandle meeting. A very interesting discussion of Urology

was brought out by Dr. John L. Witt, and the two guests, Dr. E. W. Cain and Dr. Homer Thompson of Amarillo.

The biggest thing in the news this month, was the consolidation of the Washington Center Clinic and the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital, in turning the Washington Center Clinic into a maternity hospital, with medical and surgical patients being referred to the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital. Their formal opening was held May 27 and it represents a great step to the profession in Amarillo.

Dr. Norman Harris is recovering from surgery.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Soper and children are visiting in Kansas City.

Mrs. R. J. Moore recently attended a ladies invitation golf tournament at Lubbock.

Professor McWilliams of Thurston Laboratories in California was in Amarillo on Sunday, June 3, for a special meeting on diet, nutrition, and disease.

The new Amarillo Osteopathic Maternity Hospital had a large attendance at the formal opening on May 27.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Chandler have had the pleasure of caring for their granddaughter for three weeks while the parents made a new home at Roswell, New Mexico.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Francis Brown are attending the formal opening of the big, new hospital and clinic at Kirks-ville College of Osteopathy and Surgery.

Dr. Lester Vick's summer Post Graduate course in Proctology and Vascular diseases got off to a good start Monday, June 4.

By G. W. GRESS, D. O.

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#### DISTRICT THREE

The regular meeting of the district 3 group was held at Lake Ferndale, near Pittsburg, Texas, on May 20. Dr. and Mrs. Russell Martin were hosts to the group and a fine banquet followed the meeting. I mean the food was well prepared and there was enough of it to satisfy everyone—Fried Chicken PLUS.

The ladies present conducted themselves with unusual decorum. They played Canasta 'n such stuff and not one single deck of cards got flung at anyone. I didn't think Canasta could be worked so quietly. 'S'matter of fact Canasta Coronaries and Canasta Apoplexy are really becoming current clinical entities.

Officers were duly elected at this meeting, Dr. John Turner of Canton being the new president and Dr. Charles C. Rahm will assume duty as secretary-treasurer, much to Dr. Ogilvie's relief (and for that matter mine—someone nominated me but I WON.)

Nearly everyone in the district attended this meeting. I missed Dr. Tom Hagan of Longview, Dr. Wolfe and Dr. Duphorne came all the way from Athens and the day was hot too. Others getting out in the heat and making unusually

long runs were Dr. Wayne Smith from Jacksonville, Dr. John Turner from Canton and Dr. H. G. Grainger (by reason of coming in a roundabout way) of Tyler.

Dr. Charles Rahm has called my attention to the fact that district 3 should have some sort of record, inasmuch as Dr. Palmore Currey, the outgoing president of district 3 is now president of the School Board at Mt. Pleasant. Dr. H. G. Grainger is the VICE president of the Audubon society in Tyler . . . birds? VICE? I don't see the connection, but perhaps! Dr. John Kennedy is Mt. Pleasant's champion golfer. Dr. Ross is still president of the rather presently defunct Smith County Society of Osteopathic Medicine. And from the Lindale News, the headline says: "Dr. Kinzie Named President of School Board in Meeting." The Tyler Courier-Times carried the heading yesterday: "Hospital Group Elects Gafney" and goes on to saw how he was elected as President of the Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association. Dr. Joe Brown is the Chief of Staff of the Coats-Brown Hospital and it is beginning to appear that about nearly everyone in district 3 is the chief of something.

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Dr. B. W. Jones—in the hospital and get everyone well somehow business-Mineola, Texas, has been visited by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones from Estherville, Iowa. Mr. Jones has no doubt had a lovely vacation, being a carpenter—came in mighty handy I hear—the Hospital is being remodeled during his visit. The Dr. Jones's were also visited by Mr. and Mrs. Lilenquist of Des Moines, Iowa, over the weekend. Mrs. Jones, incidentally, is doing the D. O. profession some nice Public Relations work, in that she has been elected organist for the First M. E. Church of Mineola and is filling the same position for the Eastern Star Order at Mineola. Besides that, she sings solos in the church.

In addition to other things, Dr. Milton Gafney has been busy attending various parties, functions, etc., surrounding the graduation of his son, James, from the Tyler High School, and is

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reported to be holding up rather well under the strain.

Drs. Rahm, Bragg of Big Sandy, and Dr. Gafney attended the meeting of the Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association at Fort Worth, June 2-3. Mr. Whitaker, the Gafney Hospital business manager, also attended.

Dr. Joe Brown attended the hospital meeting at Fort Worth also and reports that a former district 3 member, Dr. Stilwell, formerly of Grand Saline is now in partnership and operating a nice clinic—Big City Style—in Fort Worth. Congrats!

While the hospital meeting was in progress, Dr. Howard Coats stayed home and delivered thirty pounds of psuedomyxoma peritonae (secondary to a mixed serous systadenoma of course) and to add further puzzlement for the pathologist, Dr. Ross sent in a perfectly lovely aberrant thyroid which weighed slightly over a pound. Dr. Cooper then brought in a case of paradoxic appendicitis—which is very rare—but for the details and pathology you'll have to ask Dr. Cooper.

Gripe section: District 3 members don't give a hoot whether news gets printed or not and this time I can prove it. Dr. Chas. Rahm sent out 25 postcard requests for news this month. One was returned.

Lexicography section: The word for today was supposed to be 'Philosophy'—had a swell two word definition—lost it somewhere between Lake Ferndale and Tyler. However, Dr. Grice had a good definition—or perhaps just a supposition — Mellow — the tactful word when one really means "rotten".

Oh, yes. Dr. E. C. Kinzie and Mrs. Kinzie attended the Childs Health Conference in Kansas City, Missouri, recently.

If you miss some news, it's because you didn't tell me—the dealine is the first of the month.

By K. E. Ross, D. O.

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#### DISTRICT FOUR

Dr. and Mrs. B. B. Jaggers have returned from Los Angeles where Doctor Jaggers took the two weeks' course in cardiology at the Los Angeles College. They also attended the meeting of the national glandular society in Denver.

Dr. E. T. Gettins has been visiting his mother in Florida.

The Leopolds visited in Garden City, Kansas, over Decoration Day.

#### DISTRICT SIX

The district meeting with Dr. Dalrymple of Little Rock, Arkansas, as the speaker, was really an eye opener. Dr. Dalrymple arrived in Houston at 10 a. m. Dr. Alexander met him at the airport. An all p. m. meeting at the Farquharson clinic, attended by the stalwarts that have the good of the profession as the uppermost aim of their professional life. Another session started at 8 p. m. and ran until 11 p. m., after which they went to The Shamrock and continued until 4 a. m., Sunday morning. The group was merciless in its "questions and show me" requests, and as previously reported the speaker knew all of the answers and snowed us under with more information than we thought was possible for one doctor to know. Very much the same procedure was followed on Sunday morning, June 3, at The Warwick Hotel. All with whom I talked about that session thought maybe they had missed the boat by falling victim to fancy claims of drug therapy. A fair sized contingent of D. O.'s are following the show or program to Austin on June 17.

New officers for District 6 for next year are Dr. J. R. Cunningham, president; Dr. Lester M. Farquharson, vice president; Dr. R. M. Knapp, secretary-treasurer; Dr. A. L. Garrison, program chairman.

Recently, as the ambulance sped toward H.O.H., the baby was born in transit, unattended. No doctors were present at the hospital so the nurse, Mrs. Snider, cut the cord, removed the mucous and other offensive secretions from the air passages and plunked the very blue or black baby into the air air lock. Presto! the pink color came almost as quickly. Mrs. Snider was the hero of the day, all 98 lbs. of her. She had put another 'lap organ (baby) on the air.

Dr. Vinn's mother expired Sunday, June 3, 1951. Our sympathy goes out to the family.

Dr. Opal Robinson and husband have joined the landed gentry. They bought a house and are "sweating" out the rehabilitation program of the landscaping. Many little backaches to you two.

The new umpteen dollar obstetrical table at H.O.H. was initiated by Dr. Jaffe delivering twins as the table's first. Am glad our patients are not superstitious as such a precedent may

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send some of that type of patients to the less productive tables in other hospitals.

Drs. L. & C. Hammond have been very active in the proctological department.

Dr. Auldine Hammond spoke on June 3 at the Warwick Hotel to the district auxiliary—Drs. L. and Auldine Hammond of Beaumont, one of our eastern suburbs of Houston.

Dr. J. McBride and Mrs. Mc are knitting "little things". The doctor should have followed the old Chinese custom that of "giving the bride an apple"—an expression of hope for many boy babies.

We welcome back Dr. L. B. Smith to Houston; offices at 8941 Long Point, telephone HO5-2757.

Dr. Alexander and family will commute from Eagle Rock Ranch at Wimberley for the summer months.

Did you ever run out of gas returning from Dallas?—middle of the night, raining, cheap panama hat, not too expensive suit of clothes that might shrink, no slicker or shower stick. Some one has to walk and talk to himself along a dark country road. I insisted on going for the gas in that weak, halfhearted manner of the professional moocher. To make a long story longer, the other fellow went for aid; got truck, tow car and what-have-you. The mints, peanuts and cheap cigars all gone, just listened to the occasional mosquito and assumed the alert yet nonchalant attitude. We finally arrived in Houston in a burst of speed, stepped out of the car into water up to and slightly beyond the internal and external malleoli. No evidence of fracture or misplacement. Hoping you are the same and with best wishes for bigger and better hospitals.

## DISTRICT EIGHT

The regular monthly meeting of the Nueces Society of Osteopathic Physi-

cians and Surgeons was held Friday, May 11, in the Terrace Room Annex of the Robert Driscoll Hotel. An interesting, as well as educational, picture was presented by the Carnation Milk Company, which seemed to be well received by each member.

Saturday, May 19, district 8 instituted a new policy by holding a dinner dance meeting in the Robert Driscoll Hotel. The business at hand was presented by the executive committee, consisting of the president, president-elect, and secretary-treasurer, consequently, the business meeting was terminated after a period of about thirty minutes. At 9 p. m. the meeting adjourned to the Morocco Room where reservations were available and spent the remainder of the evening dancing to the music of Ran Wilde's orchestra. This type of meeting was well received by each district member.

Tuesday, May 29, the regular annual board meeting of the Corpus Christi Osteopathic Hospital was held in the Robert Driscoll Hotel as a dinner meeting. Election of officers resulted in Dr. T. M. Bailey being elected president; Mr. J. A. Kimmey, vice president; Dr. Merle Griffin, secretary-treasurer. Other board members elected were: Mr. R. B. King, Dr. R. A. Pennington, and Dr. C. R. Woolsey. Hold over board members are: Dr. James M. Tyree, Mr. E. B. Shellenberger, and Mr. R. A. Humble.

On Saturday, June 2, Dr. Merle Griffin flew to Fort Worth by Braniff Airways for a meeting of the Insurance and Industry Committee of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, and the following day, Sunday, June 3, relieved himself of the office of president of the Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association in favor of Dr. Roy B. Fisher of the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital. Braniff Airlines was able to deposit the ex-president in Corpus Christi on Sunday evening despite a four inch rain.

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Doctors Harriet and Elmer Beckstrom have located in Corpus Christi, being associated with the Bailey-Schultz Clinic. District 8 extends a hearty welcome to these two fine people.

Dr. F. H. Summers has moved from Corpus Christi to Los Angeles, California, where he will resume his practice.

Dr. Merle Griffin has purchased the Cade Clinic building at 1122 Third and is moving his practice of osteopathy to the new location today.

The transaction was closed recently by Carr Realty Co., former owner was Dr. Victor Cade of Larned, Kans. Consideration was approximately \$20,000. The building put up in 1947 is masonry with Austin limestone front and is air conditioned.

Dr. Merle Griffin was named one of a committee in Corpus Christi to help clean up the city in an effort to check poliomyelitis. The committee outlined quite a program in their effort to prevent polio. Dr. Merle Griffin addressed the meeting, stating you can't run away from polio. In fact, running away is the worst thing you can do. He suggested the formation of the steering committee.

#### DISTRICT NINE

Dr. Donald M. Mills President VICTORIA

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Dr. Willis L. Crews Secy.-Treas. GONZALES

So went the election for officers of district 9, Wednesday night, May 9. All precincts are in. This is official. Dr. and Mrs. Harry Tannen of Weimar were hosts for the meeting.

Immediately following the election we had hoped to hear from Dr. George Grainger on the progress fund. He was to have brought Dr. Ogilvie with him to discuss congenital heart disease. We are sorry to have missed this good program, but there was some conflict in schedule and quite a bit of traveling involved for a night meeting, especially in the middle of the week.

No one was up to presenting the cardiac story, but Dr. Willis Crews had attended the Fund breakfast at the convention. He came adequately prepared with brochures, anecdotes, and the old "fire and pepper" sales talk. We believe the subject was adequately covered, what with rebuttals, etc.

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and interests, for goodness sakes, let's maintain our line of supply—our educational institution, which, after all, are our mainstay source of professional prestige.

One more point to make before turning this corner over to Dr. Willis Crews for the next year. We of district 9 have long felt the need of representation on the Board of Trustees for our State. Just to start some thinking on the subject, we discussed the pros and cons of having a trustee for each district and so many at large to be determined by and from the floor of the House of Delegates each year. We know such a plan would meet with full approval except for one thing—could we get the attendance required if we were represented in such manner? Well, this puts us back on the subject of OPF. It's up to you collectively. If you won't do it, it can't be done. This organization must work one facet upon the other from the town down. We have taken the initiative here in a district of only twelve members (90% attendance at monthly meetings). We will guarantee to supply a trustee, defray his expenses and see to it that he attends all called meetings if we have to hog tie him and tote him to the meeting site. We want to be a part of this organization with active participation in exchange of news and views. We are trying to go all out for OPF. Now let us also carry our share of the manual and mental labor.

RICHARD L. STRATTON, D. O.

## DISTRICT TEN

Dr. E. S. Davidson has taken over the interest of Dr. H. A. Spivey in the Lubbock Osteopathic Hospital and will operate it with Dr. H. A. Emery, formerly partner with Dr. Spivey, who is moving to Dallas.

Dr. Davidson will be head of surgical department. The Lubbock Osteopathic Hospital is equipped for surgical, medical and obstetrical care.

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Marathon is about 30 miles east of Alpine, Fort Davis 25 miles north, while Marfa is 25 miles west.

In Alpine there are six doctors—5 MDs and one osteopath. The osteopath is anxious to have someone in that area and promises full cooperation if the D. O. seeks it. This seems to have the advantages of a very desirable location.

FORT DAVIS: Population little over 1,000 with summer increase of another 500 tourists, with no doctor as last doctor died.

MARATHON: Population about 1,000 with no doctor and at the entrance to the Big Bend National Park. The doctor there died last December.

MARFA: Population of over 3500 and only two doctors there and osteopathic minded.

The Big Bend area of Texas is one of the prettiest regions of the State and the per capita income is good. The above towns would all be good openings for young aggressive D. O.s and there would be no waiting period.

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