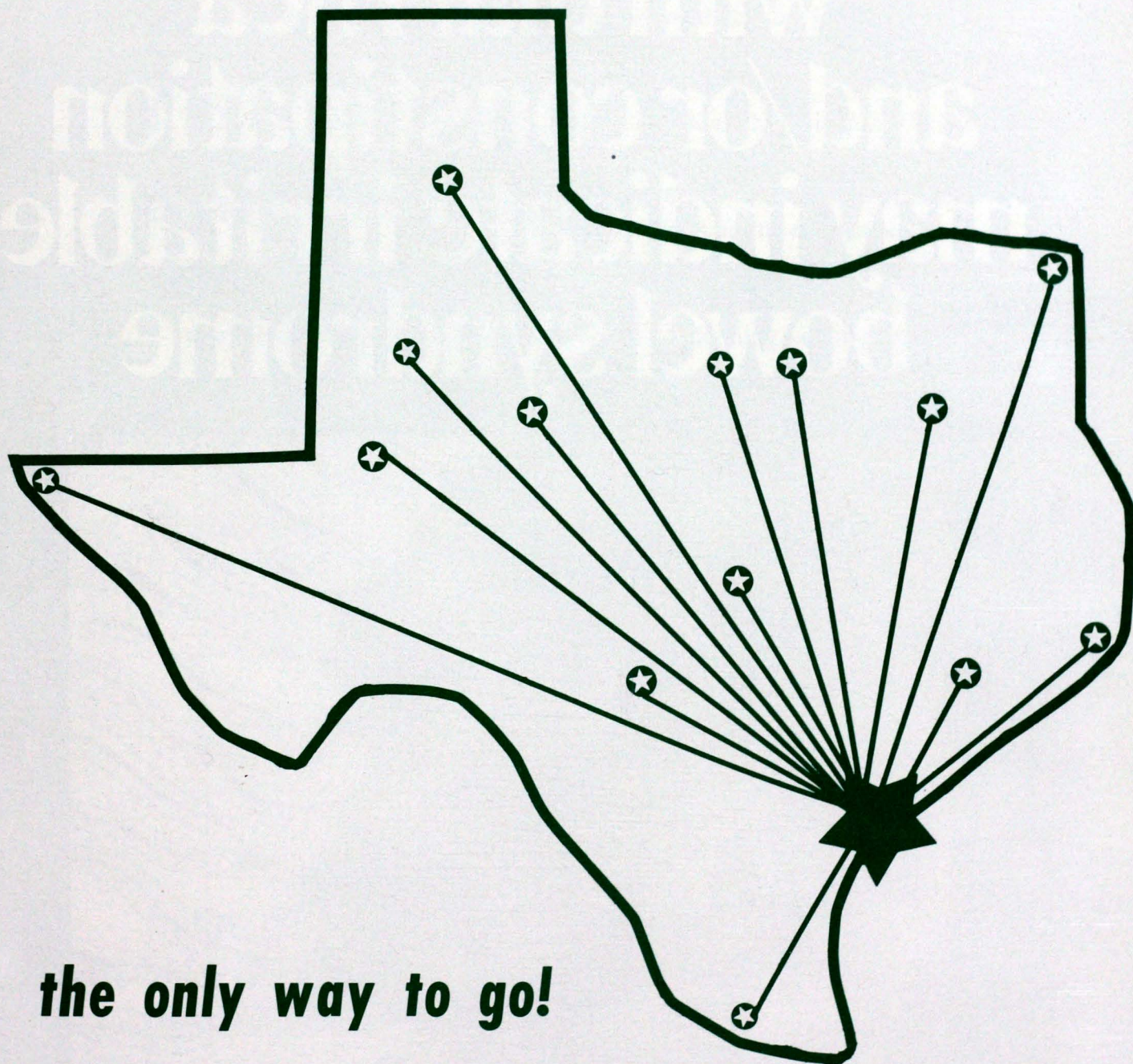


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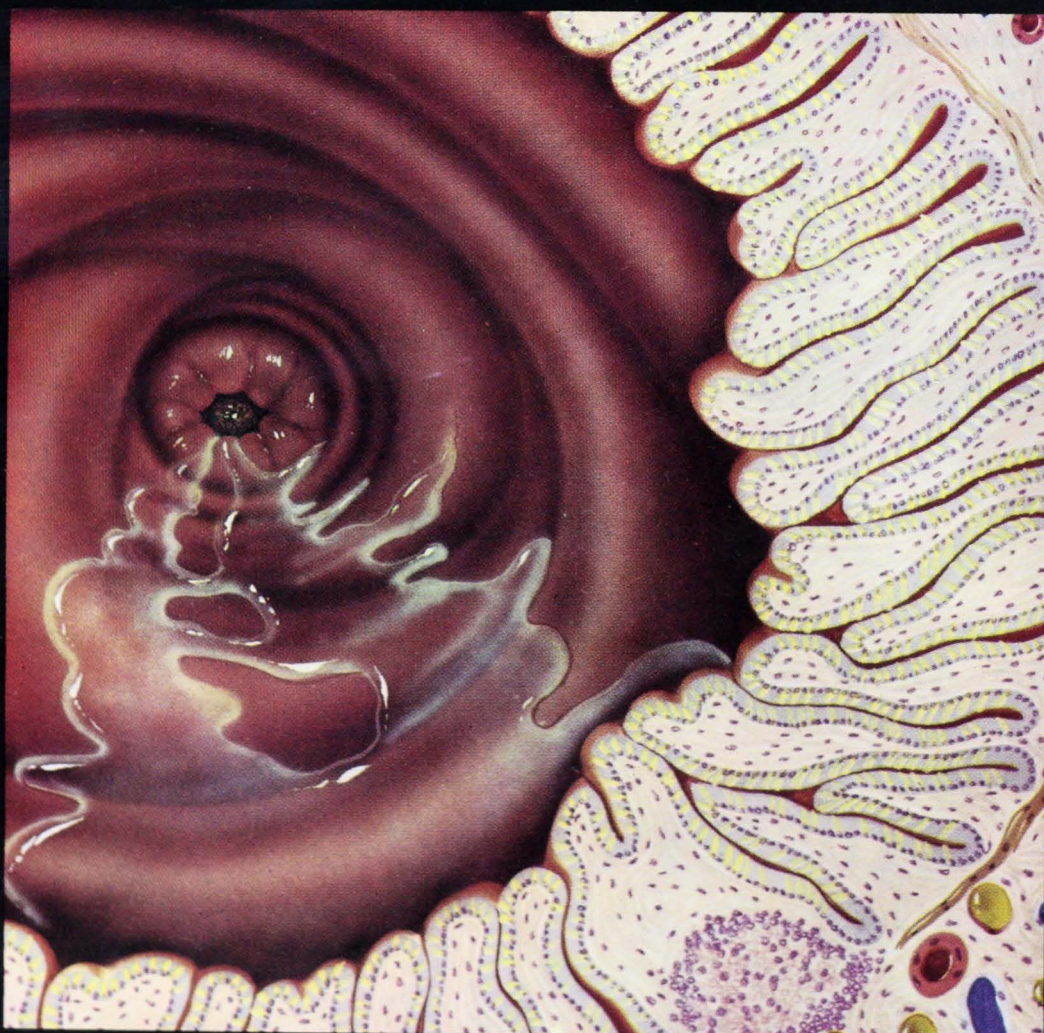
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Precautions: In elderly and debilitated, limit dosage to smallest effective amount to preclude development of ataxia, oversedation or confusion (not more than two capsules per day initially; increase gradually as needed and tolerated). Though generally not recommended, if combination therapy with other psychotropics

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Seaside Casual

Theme for 78th Annual Convention

There are any number of reasons for going to a convention. For TOMA members, one of the most important is continuing medical education; and there will be that in abundance at the 78th Annual Convention in Corpus Christi May 5-7.

The March issue of this *Journal* outlined the CME program, as well as telling you a little about the speakers and their qualifications.

In February we told you what you could expect in the city of Corpus Christi, plus a little of its history.

What hasn't been gone into previously are the social functions planned for your enjoyment in conjunction with the convention.

As is customary, the Keynote Luncheon Thursday, May 5, is the first of these. No information has been published heretofore concerning our Keynoter because, just a few days before press time, we received the news that a brand new member of the U.S. House of Representatives had accepted our invitation to speak to us at this affair.

He is Congressman Bob Gammage and was elected to the U.S. House from President Armburster's home district.

Those of you who attended the TOMA Legislative Seminar at Lakeway in 1975 will remember that the Honorable Mr. Gammage is a dynamic speaker who served in the Texas Legislature prior to his election last November to the U.S. House.

Because of the size and layout of the La Quinta Royale, headquarters hotel for the convention, exhibits will be scattered throughout the first floor, as well as in part of the new convention center that has just been completed as an adjunct to the hotel.

We don't suggest wearing track shoes to get around to having champagne with all the exhibitors at the champagne party Thursday night, but do urge you to visit with as many of them as possible at this time.

Thursday night will be a busy one for a number of registrants. Before the champagne party starts, the Patriarchal Order of Past Presidents (POPP) will hold its organizational meeting in Buccaneer Room No. 1.

In case you missed the item on POPPs that ap-

peared in the March issue of this *Journal*, all past presidents of TOMA—through fiscal year 1975-76—are charter members of this new affiliate which is being organized (just for the fun of it) for the purpose of doing nothing—except giving advice from the vast store of knowledge these distinguished members have acquired over the years.

The Texas Academy of Osteopathy will hold its annual dinner and business meeting at 7:00 Thursday night, following the Champagne Party.

[The souvenir program which you will receive in your packet when you check in at the convention registration desk, will contain all information concerning meeting rooms, times, et cetera.]

Friday morning (May 6) starts off with the GP Breakfast, immediately followed by that Society's annual business meeting.

Tickets for both the Academy Dinner and the GP Breakfast are not included in the registration fee and must be purchased separately.

This year the second TOMA Tennis Tournament will be held Friday morning, as will the annual Golf Tournament. Both of these will be held at the Padre Island Country Club and busses will be available to transport the sports. They will leave La Quinta Royale at 8:30 for about an hour's ride to the club.

The Corpus Christi Country Club is the site of the next big social affair—the President's Reception, Banquet and Dance.

This year speeches will be short, as will introductions. The outgoing and incoming presidents feel that this is an evening for camaraderie, and they would prefer to use this occasion to talk with the older members, get acquainted with new ones, and generally see that a good time is had by all.

On the recommendation of wives of District VIII members, the Eddie Galvan orchestra has been engaged to play for dancing following the banquet.

The general format has been changed this year, and there will be no College Luncheon. In its place,

Alumni Breakfasts have been scheduled for Saturday morning.

To date, breakfasts have been planned for Alumni of TCOM, KCOM, KCCOM and CCOM. If there are enough alumni of other schools who would like to hold individual breakfasts, please get in touch with the State Office so that facilities can be set aside for them. These breakfasts are included in your registration fee.

The ladies are invited to attend these regular convention social functions. In addition, they will have a program of their own, which is outlined elsewhere in this issue.

For advance registrants, ladies' tickets will include one to be used for either an Alumni Breakfast or the Saturday Ladies Luncheon at the Sheraton-Marina.

Traditionally, Fun Night is the climax of the convention, and this year is no exception. This function will be held in the ballroom of the La Quinta Royale. The theme chosen by District VIII is best described as "Seaside Casual", which should be a guide in your choice of costume for the evening.

The question was posed in the February *Journal*, "What'll be the big surprise?" This is yet to be divulged, and won't be of course, until it happens during Fun Night.

Eddie Galvan's orchestra will again play for dancing, the drawing for door prizes will take place, and trophies will be awarded to the winners of the golf and tennis tournaments.

You will note that most of the socializing takes place in the early morning and after six in the evening. In between, lots of CME will be available for you. Check the March issue for the program and speakers.

If you have been procrastinating and haven't sent in your advance registration (which was due in the State Office April 1), the deadline has been extended to April 15. Anyone registering after that date must pay the full price of \$60 per person, rather than the discounted advance registration fee of \$40.

Please note that this fee is *per person*. In other words, if you are bringing your spouse and he or she wishes to attend the social functions, you must register for that person, or buy separate tickets at the door for each function at the full price. For instance, if your spouse wishes to attend President's Night or

Fun Night, the price of either of these functions is \$20 each.

In addition to the scheduled convention events, there are many other things to do and see in Corpus Christi.

Besides the ready availability of all water sports, there is always the tempting opportunity to just laze in the sun (which members of District VIII have promised to deliver for this convention).

If you're interested in deep-sea fishing, contact Dr. Bill Albarado, 3233 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, 78404 (phone 512-882-7861) and he will provide information, as well as help in making arrangements for such an outing.

If you want to go sightseeing, there are certainly plenty of sights to see. You don't have to go very far from your hotel to explore the Corpus Christi Yacht Basin, since the downtown business district fronts on a marina.

The deep-water port immediately adjacent to the downtown business district is the ninth largest in the nation. Ships from almost every port in the free world are seen here and two or three can usually be viewed on any one day.

Both the Corpus Christi Museum and the Art Museum of South Texas are certainly worth a visit. The first contains many wildlife, historic and educational exhibits that will appeal to youngsters and adults alike.

The Art Museum, of course, contains many fine works. It was relocated in a new building on North Shoreline Boulevard in 1972.

According to the Corpus Christi Area Convention and Tourist Bureau, beachcombing is a major tourist attraction. The shorelines bordering Corpus Christi and the miles upon miles of uninhabited beaches along Padre and Mustang Islands make this area a shell collector's paradise. Approximately 265 species of Mollusca have been found in the immediate area.

Besides seashells, a variety of odds and ends are found, especially along the outer reaches of Padre Island. Glass fishing floats from the West Indies, driftwood from South America, sea-whip coral, and old bottles are some of the likely finds.

So come to Corpus Christi — and enjoy! ▲

Presenting - - Our Good Friends

Because the new convention hall that has now been added to the La Quinta Royale was nowhere near completion in late summer of 1976 (when we would normally solicit for convention exhibits), we were unable to contact potential exhibitors until mid-October. At that time we still did not have a diagram of the exhibit areas, but we did give them the most important details about our 1977 convention, and told them complete details would be coming along.

Our prospectus was finally mailed to several hundred suppliers to the profession by mid-November. Then we kept our fingers crossed — and our loyal supporters came through!

So now we are most pleased to display—in large print—the names of those firms who will be supporting us this year. Please note that a good many of them have been with us for a *number* of years.

In addition to the 58 exhibitors, ten firms are contributing money to help defray convention expenses.

Three of these grantors are also exhibiting.

You will have the opportunity to visit with representatives of these companies Thursday night, May 5, during the Champagne with the Exhibitors bash. In addition, times have been set aside during the day for such visits. And remember, this year the AOA is allowing CME credits for this activity.

Again this year exhibitors will have registration slips for those who visit them to sign. These will be collected and a drawing for door prizes will be held during Fun Night on Saturday, May 7.

We would like to stress again that without the financial support of our exhibitors and grantors, your registration fee would more than double.

So we urge you to make a special effort to talk with these representatives, let them know you are glad they could be with us, and that—as TOMA supporters—they will be welcome in your offices.

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The Upjohn Company
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Flint Laboratories
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Marion Labs
Mead Johnson
Merck Sharp & Dohme
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Dr. Boyd among AME select group

Dr. John Boyd of Eden was honored recently when he was nominated to attend an Aviation Medical Examiners Flight Surgeon Seminar, sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration of the Department of Transportation. Attendance is by invitation only.

James L. Harris, Chief, Aeromedical Education Branch, Civil Aeromedical Institute, wrote Dr. Boyd, extending the invitation. His letter reads (in part):

"The Federal Air Surgeon is establishing a select group of AMEs geographically located throughout the country, to assist the Federal Aviation Administration, in evaluating special problem medical cases referred to them for review and recommendation as to disposition; assist the FAA by participation in accident investigation; and represent the FAA on occasion by talking to pilot groups in their locale

to promote aviation safety.

"The AME Flight Surgeon Seminar was established for the purpose of preparing AMEs to give the FAA the above assistance. On the basis of your demonstrated interest in aviation and performance in the Aviation Medical Examiner program your Regional Flight Surgeon has nominated you to attend.

"AME Flight Surgeon Seminars are designed to give greater in-depth study in the various medical specialties and their application in aviation; review actual medical cases and the operation of our Certification Branch; study accident investigation; and an altitude chamber flight (proof of current medical certificate to participate). AMEs work as a team with their Regional Flight Surgeon during the Seminar, to establish regional rapport and understanding."

ATOMA News

AAOA President-Elect to be honored guest at convention

The President-Elect of the Auxiliary to the American Osteopathic Association, Mrs. D. S. Strickland of Tucker, Georgia, will be the honored guest of ATOMA at the convention in Corpus Christi.



Mrs. Strickland will install the new officers at the Installation

Luncheon to be held Saturday, May 7, in the Spanish Main of the Sheraton-Marina Hotel.

Mrs. Strickland has served the AAOA as its first vice president and student wives counselor, as well as chairing its credentials, public relations and public education committees.

Although there is no organized Auxiliary in District VIII, the wives of that District's members have been working long and hard to help make the Corpus Christi convention the best yet.

Coordinating with the State Auxiliary and the TOMA State Office, these ladies have made arrangements for flowers and decorations for several of the functions, as well as for entertainment for President's Night and Fun Night.

Also through their efforts, a \$500 grant was received from Gen-

tec Hospital Supplies for door prizes and for favors for the Auxiliary Installation Luncheon.

The theme for the luncheon (which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday with some stimulating spirits) is Mexican. This theme will be carried out in the decorations, the luncheon menu, and the style show which is part of the program.

To be modeled are handmade dresses from Mexico, no two of which are alike. Also to be shown are handmade sweaters and macrame purses.

These items will be for sale, but since credit cards cannot be used for their purchase, the ladies should come prepared!

Members of the committee spearheading these arrangements are Mrs. James Lively, Mrs. Dwight Hause, Mrs. Bill Albarado, Mrs. Larry Taylor and Mrs. Joseph Schultz.

LADIES CONVENTION PROGRAM

THURSDAY — MAY 5

8:00 a.m.	Registration	Exhibit Hall La Quinta Royale	6:30 p.m.	President's Reception Banquet & Dance	Corpus Christi Country Club (busses leave La Quinta 6:00 p.m.)
9:30 a.m.	Pre-Convention Board Meeting	Coronado Room Sheraton-Marina	7:00 a.m.	Alumni Breakfasts	Buccaneer Rooms Conference Room 1001 La Quinta Royale
12:00 noon	Keynote Luncheon	Ballroom La Quinta Royale	10:30 a.m.	Installation Luncheon	Spanish Main Sheraton-Marina
6:00 p.m.	Champagne with the Exhibitors	Exhibit Hall La Quinta Royale	6:30 p.m.	Fun Night	La Quinta Ballroom

FRIDAY — MAY 6

8:30 a.m.	ATOMA House of Delegates	Crown Room Sheraton-Marina
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SUNDAY — MAY 8

10:00 a.m.	Post-Convention Board Meeting	Captain's Quarters Sheraton-Marina
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Texas Osteopathic Medical Association

78th Annual Convention

Enclosed is \$_____ check for advance registration for _____ persons @ \$40.00 per person

To take advantage of the low advance registration fee payment must accompany this registration form and be in the TOMA State office no later than April 15

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(please print)

My spouse _____ will _____ will not _____ accompany me _____
(first name for badge)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Arrival date _____ Time _____ Departure date _____

Texas Osteopathic Medical Association

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613 South Shoreline Drive, P. O. Box 1147
Corpus Christi, Texas 78403

PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR RESERVATIONS DIRECT TO ANY HOTEL

Hotel reservations must be received no later than April 15

Hotels	Single	Double	3 to a room	4 to a room
La Quinta Royale	\$18.50	\$21.00-26.00	\$29.50	\$33.00
Sheraton Marina	23.75	30.75		
Ramada Inn	18.00	20.00-22.00		

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Hotel Preferred _____ 2nd Choice _____ Type of Room _____

Arrival date _____ Arrival time _____ Checkout date _____

FOR LATE ARRIVAL GUARANTEE, INCLUDE CHECK FOR FIRST NIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

TOMA Annual Golf Tournament Registration

Name _____

Address _____

Handicap _____

\$15 per person
includes

½ cart, greens fee, bus fare to Padre Island Country Club

CHECK ENCLOSED: \$ _____
(Please make check payable to TOMA)

TOMA Tennis Tournament Registration

Name _____

Address _____

\$10 per person
includes

Court fee, bus fare to Padre Island Country Club

CHECK ENCLOSED: \$ _____
(Please make check payable to TOMA)

Is Everybody Selling?

Recently we read an item in *Southwest Association News* and immediately thought of several ways in which it applies to the work in the State Office.

The first paragraph reads:

Experience in the business world has shown that acquiring the last 25 per cent of total existing business requires 200 to 500 per cent more effort than that expended to attain the first 75 per cent. To put it more simply, a man who is selling widgets and has a potential market of 1,000 buyers is going to find it more than twice as hard to sell the last 250 prospects than it was to sell the first 750.

An instance of how this applies to TOMA is in our collection of dues. We mail out the first dues billing for the fiscal year about January 2. Nearly 33 per cent paid their dues from this billing this year.

On February 1 statements were mailed to those whose dues remained unpaid. By the end of February, a total of nearly 60 per cent of the members had paid in full.

By the end of March there probably remained some 20 per cent who still owed their dues for the 1977-78 fiscal year. And this is where the hard part comes in.

On May 1 unpaid dues are delinquent, and if they are not paid by July 1, the member is automatically suspended. On August 1 TOMA membership is automatically revoked for anyone whose dues are still unpaid.

Although we are not selling widgets—which perhaps most people could do without—we are selling services, which any Texas D.O. can ill afford not to have access to.

The second paragraph of the above mentioned item reads:

The axiom is one with a wider application. Too many of us spend too much time trying to achieve perfection. Reaching a point of diminishing returns seems to light some kind of fire of perverse determination in us. We will sell every last widget if it kills us. And, frequently, it does.

But still, we continue.

There are perhaps some 150 D.O.s in Texas who are not members of TOMA (200 who are not members of AOA). These nonmembers are getting a free ride. They reap the benefits of TOMA's work for the

profession, without taking on any of the responsibilities (or enjoyment) of association with their peers.

A corollary is found in those who—by hook or crook—manage to evade paying their fair share of taxes; and in those who abuse our welfare and other governmental aid systems. The rest of us have to pay additional taxes; we carry an extra burden; we almost literally carry these people on our backs.

Although part of your dues goes to support osteopathic education, every year we find that our osteopathic medical schools are graduating students who have little loyalty to the profession that made it possible for them to become a part of it—at least as far as carrying the D.O. degree.

It is a big disappointment when some of our native Texans—some of whom received legislative scholarships through the efforts of TOMA—return to Texas to practice, but do not join the professional association that supported them and their schools.

Your Membership Services and Professional Development Committee works hard to keep in touch with all Texas students in osteopathic medical schools from the time they matriculate, through their internships and/or residencies, and into their first practices.

Letters are written to all these Texas residents upon their graduation, inviting them to become student members of TOMA during their internships. But not all of them take advantage of this free membership status.

When they are about to conclude their internships, more letters go out, inquiring about their future plans, and whether they include practice in Texas. Here is where we lose some more—even those who do locate in their home state.

It may take something like \$60,000 to pay for the education (not including living expenses) of each student doctor through his years of medical school. The student pays anywhere from 10 to 30 per cent of this cost; depending on which school he attends. The rest of the expense is borne by the school, which must rely on government funds, contributions, and support of members of the osteopathic profession.

Since nonmembers need not subscribe to the TOMA or AOA Code of Ethics, their actions may, in some cases, actually harm the entire osteopathic profession. And, as nonmembers, TOMA has no control over them.

Of course, TOMA would not accept unethical practitioners into membership, but once they become

members, it can ride herd on them to some degree so that hopefully they cannot tarnish the image of the profession.

Each of our 16 Districts should have an active Membership Committee and keep up with all D.O.s who are practicing in their areas. It is difficult for the State committees to locate all of them. Sometimes we are not aware that a D.O. is even practicing in Texas until he has been here a year or more.

The main sources we have for this information include notices from the State Board of Medical Examiners, the AOA Reporting Service, and our news clipping service.

For the last two years a D.O. who was not even a member of the state Association, has been elected by a District to the TOMA House of Delegates. (This was remedied before the House met.) In other words, some of the Districts are not on their toes when it comes to communicating with their State Office.

So we get down to this: "We will sell every last widget if it kills us. And, frequently, it does." We desperately need your help if we are to sell all these "widgets". And with your help, we can cut the administrative sales costs.

The item from which we are quoting goes on to say:

There is a time—whether you are raising vegetables or children, whether you are writing a report or a book, whether you are carving a turkey or a career or just trying to break 70 on the golf course—to let go, to say, "That's the best I can do under the circumstances and that's enough."

But is it?

When it comes to TOMA membership—even in the face of diminishing returns in the early summer—we cannot say, "That's the best I can do," even if it is. Although we may have to give up on some prospects, we'll keep looking for new ones and keep trying to bring them into the fold.

The item concludes:

Most people respond this way when they reach a point of diminishing returns. Others go on and on and all too often end up destroying what might have had real value had it been left in its natural state of imperfection.

Perhaps we should agree, but we only agree that imperfection in some things is a natural state. Your State Office continues to pray, "Forgive us our imperfections, as we forgive the imperfections of others!" ^

Think twice before filing countersuit

Late in 1976 the Court of Civil Appeals in San Antonio ruled against an orthopedic surgeon who had countersued a former patient and his attorney for bringing a groundless medical malpractice suit.

James A. Williams, a Dallas attorney representing Professional Mutual Insurance Company of Kansas City, brought the case to the attention of the *Journal* in hopes that any precedent setting countersuits will be based on a truly aggravated or gross case.

The case he cited was Wolfe V. Arroyo, 543 S.W. 2d 11. The decision in this case makes it somewhat more difficult to proceed against those who bring allegedly groundless and unfounded suits against doctors.

The above mentioned case was not pursued to the Supreme Court, but the highly respected Appellate Judge's opinion will carry great weight in the trial courts, thereby leaving the door only slightly ajar to instituting this kind of suit in the future, Mr. Williams believes.

One potential available to doctors is an allegation of professional negligence on the part of the attorney, but the "test" case should be chosen carefully because of its precedent setting implications.

The doctor alleged in his countersuit that the suing patient had tried to obstruct justice, bring him into ridicule, caused mental trauma and prevented his performance as an orthopedic surgeon. The Appellate Court ruled that he had not asserted a cause of action under Texas law, which in 1920 established the rule that the imposition of court costs is the sole penalty for wrongful prosecution of civil suits unless there has been a seizure of the person or property of the plaintiff.

Here is the court's judgment:

Doctor filed suit to recover damages from patient, et al., for filing groundless and unfounded suit for medical malpractice against him. The 73rd District Court, Bexar County, Franklin S. Pears, J., entered take nothing summary judgment, and doctor appealed. The Court of Civil Appeals, Barrow, C.J., held that doctor did not state cause of action for constructive contempt as there was no allegation that patient violated any order of court in filing suit; and that doctor did not state cause of action for invasion of privacy.

Affirmed. ^

H.B. 282

As Finally Passed and Sent to the Governor

At press time, a bill was on the Governor's desk that would provide for state funding of family practice training programs in Texas hospitals. A full copy of the bill, H.B. 282, as finally passed, is printed herewith.

It provides for a 12-person advisory committee, composed of a D.O. nominated by TOMA and six M.D.s appointed by other medical M.D.-oriented organizations, two nominated by the THA and three lay persons appointed by the Governor representing the general public.

The original bill was amended to include a provision calling on the Coordinating Board to provide for distribution of family physicians and improvement of medical care in underserved urban and rural areas of the state, and to encourage the permanent location in underserved areas of family physicians trained in the program. The original bill, which is substantially the one passed by both houses, was introduced by Rep. Lyndon Olson, Jr. of Waco.

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, to contract with medical schools, licensed hospitals, and nonprofit corporations for the purpose of providing state funds to family practice residency training programs; amending Chapter 61, Texas Education Code, as amended, by adding Subchapter I.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. PURPOSE. It is the intent of the legislature that family practice residency training programs created, maintained, or funded according to the provisions of this Act shall further the purpose of distributing family physicians and improving medical care in underserved urban and rural areas of the state and, insofar as possible and prudent, encourage the permanent location in underserved areas of family physicians trained in these programs in order to better serve the medical needs of the citizens of Texas.

Section 2. Chapter 61, Texas Education Code, as amended, is amended by adding Subchapter I to read as follows:

"SUBCHAPTER I. CONTRACTS FOR MEDICAL RESIDENCY PROGRAMS

"Sec. 61.501. DEFINITIONS. As used in this subchapter:

"(1) 'Medical School' means the medical school at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, the medical school at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas, the medical school at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, the Texas Tech University School of Medicine, the Baylor College of Medicine, the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, or the Texas A&M University Medical Program.

"(2) 'Approved family practice residency training program' means a graduate medical education program operated by a medical school, licensed hospitals, or nonprofit corporations which has been approved for training physicians in family practice and for the receipt of state funds for that purpose by the board after receiving the recommendation of the *Family Practice Residency Advisory Committee*.

"Sec. 61.502. CONTRACTS. The board may contract with a medical school, licensed hospitals, or nonprofit corporations for the purpose of establishing and operating an approved Family Practice Residency Training Program and may compensate the medical school, licensed hospitals, or nonprofit corporations on a formula approved by the board based upon the number of resident physicians in the training program.

"Sec. 61.503. RULES AND REGULATIONS. The board shall adopt rules and regulations to implement this subchapter, including rules providing for:

"(1) prior consultation on the annual budget with the board;

"(2) a postaudit in a manner acceptable to the state auditor of expenditures related to the residency training program of a medical school, licensed hospitals, or nonprofit corporations with which the board has contracted; and

"(3) distribution of family physicians and improvement of medical care in underserved urban and rural areas of the state and, insofar as possible and prudent, encouraging the permanent location in underserved areas of family physicians trained in these programs.

"Sec. 61.504. DISBURSEMENTS. (a) Pursuant to a contract, the board may disburse through the designated project director to a medical school, licensed hospitals, or nonprofit corporations funds for the purpose of the graduate training of physicians in an approved family practice residency training program. The project director shall be the chairman of the Department of Family Practice in a medical school or the program director of an approved family practice residency training program operated by licensed hospitals or nonprofit corporations. The project director shall, in accordance with such rules as the board may adopt, make timely reports directly to the board concerning the development and progress of the family practice training program.

"(b) The board may establish by contract the method or manner of the disbursement to the project director.

"Sec. 61.505. ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a) The Family Practice Residency Advisory Committee is created and shall consist of 12 members. One member shall be a licensed physician appointed by the *Texas Osteopathic Medical Association*; two members shall be licensed physicians appointed by the Association of Directors of Family Practice Training Programs; two members shall be administrators of hospitals in which an approved family practice residency training program operates and shall be appointed by the Texas Hospital Association; one member shall be a licensed physician appointed by the Texas Medical Association; two members shall be licensed physicians appointed by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians; three members of the public shall be appointed to the committee by the governor; and by virtue of his office, the president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians shall be a member of the committee.

"(b) The terms of office of each member, excluding the term of office of the president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians, shall be for three years, except for the

initial term, which shall be designated in a manner approved by the board in such a way, insofar as is possible, that one-third of the members shall serve for one year, one-third for two years, and one-third for three years, and thereafter each member shall serve for a term of three years. Each member shall serve until his replacement has been appointed to the committee.

"(c) The members of the committee shall not be compensated for their service, but shall be reimbursed by the board for actual expenses incurred in the performance of duties as members of the committee.

"(d) The committee shall meet at least annually and so often as requested by the board or called into meeting by the chairman.

"(e) The chairman shall be elected by the members of the committee for one year.

"(f) The committee shall review for the board applications for approval and funding of family practice residency training programs, make recommendations to the board relating to the standards and criteria for approval of residency training programs, and perform such other duties as may be directed by the board."

Sec. 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

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New Statistical Data on HBP Released

Blood pressure of Persons 6-74 Years of Age in the United States and Hypertension: United States, 1974 are two publications which appeared in the new series of the National Center for Health Statistics. They include new data which were obtained in the Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (HANES) from April 1971 through June 1974.

Among the data included in the summary are: mean systolic blood pressure increases with age from 103.3 among children age 7-11 years to 150.1 among adults age 65-74.

Mean systolic and diastolic pressures among the population decrease significantly with an increase of family income and education.

While no regional differences in mean diastolic blood pressure are apparent mean systolic blood pressure is significantly higher for persons living in the Northeast and West. ▲

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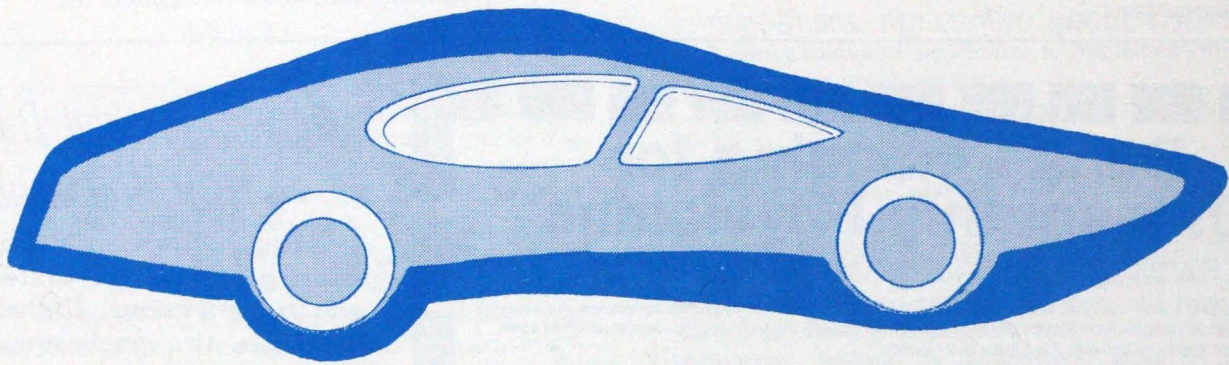
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Song, dance and comedy will ring out June 16, 17 and 18 when the Guild and Auxiliary to Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital stage a gala musical revue at the Scott Theater.

All proceeds from "High Fever", the name given to this amateur revue, will be donated to the \$7.5 million building and expansion program the Hospital is planning.

Mrs. Howard Greiner, vice president of the Guild, is general chairperson of the 1977 revue.

Supporting this joint project of the Guild and the Auxiliary as patron chairperson is Senator Betty Andujar, the Texas legislator who introduced in the Senate the bill which made Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine a state-supported medical school under the governance of the Board of Regents to North Texas State University.

Co-chairperson of the patron committee is Dr. David M. Beyer.

Special patron invitations will be mailed Saturday, April 9. All "High Fever" patrons reserving seats for one of the performances will be ushered to the Patron's Circle. They will be recognized on the Patron's Page in the Souvenir program, and they will be honored guests at a champagne reception which will be hosted at intermission in the Scott Theater's solarium.

The cast performing at each of the 8:00 p.m. shows will include doctors, employees, Guild mem-

bers, Auxiliary members, hospital volunteers and hospital friends. They will be supported by dozens of backstage workers and musicians.

The Jerome H. Cargill Producing Organization, Inc., of New York City, will provide the professional direction for this amateur revue.

Chairing the talent committee is Mrs. Philip P. Saperstein, president-elect of District II ATOMA. She will be assisted by Dr. Harris F. Pearson and Mrs. John Young.

Mrs. Hugo J. Ranelle, a past president of ATOMA, District II, is program chairperson. Co-chairperson is Bill Winstead, the hospital's controller.

Guild members serving on the program committee include Mr. and Mrs. Norman W. Beard, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Burt, Mrs. Raymond A. Fetter and Mrs. M. L. Jennings. Auxiliary members serving on the program committee are Mrs. John C. Kemplin, Mrs. R. Lynn Powell, Mrs. Bill H. Puryear and Mrs. Dan A. Wadell.

Mrs. J. Thomas O'Shea, immediate past president of ATOMA, District II, is ticket chairperson. Co-chairperson is Mrs. Norman W. Beard, a Guild member.

Publicity chairperson for the spring revue is Miss Carol M. White, the hospital's director of Community Relations. She will be assisted by Auxiliary member Mrs. Thomas R. Turner, who has designed the "High Fever" poster, tent card and feverish-red bumper sticker.

Among the many who are contributing their time and talents toward the success of this project are Mrs. Paul Q. Proffitt, Mrs. Raymond A. Fetter and Mrs. R. Lynn Powell who are on the committee for the champagne receptions and cast party.

Chairing the finance committee is Norman W. Beard; Mrs. Randall C. Perkins, Mrs. C. D. High and Mrs. W. R. Phelps comprise the makeup committee; FWOH associate administrator, William D. Poteet, and assistant administrator Joseph F. Sloan head the extra revenue committee.

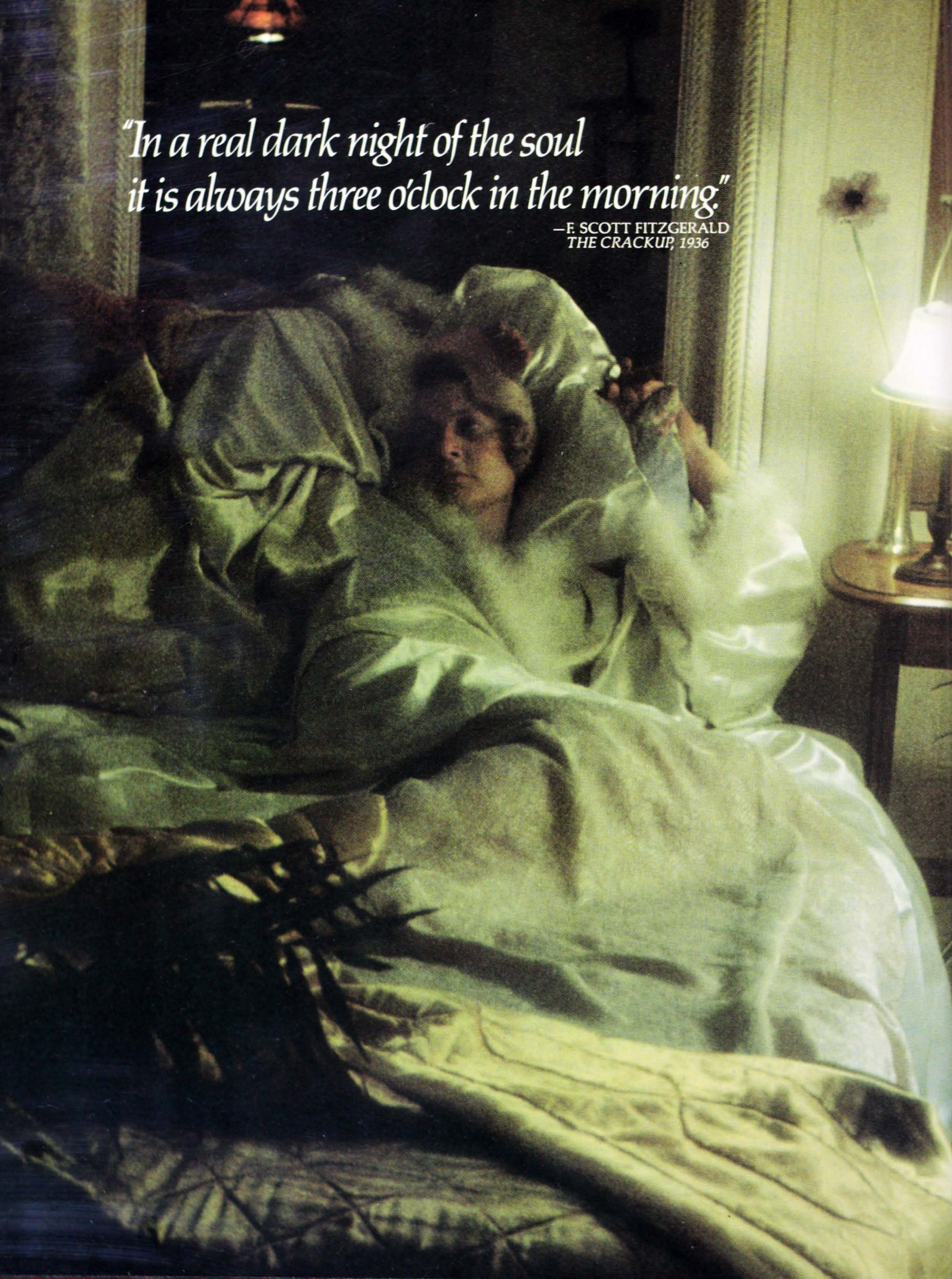
In charge of the ushers will be Sparky V. Pearson. Charles E. Williams, Jr., and H. Dan Duncan are in charge of all stage props.

The costume committee, supervised by general chairperson Mrs. Howard Greiner, includes Guild members Mrs. George M. Esselman, Mrs. Bessie Stewart and Mrs. Jack W. Stoddard and hospital volunteers Mrs. Gladys Head and Mrs. Hazel Lindsay.

The Cargill organization annually sends directors to every state, to Canada and to Mexico to work with service groups and junior leagues to stage amateur benefit revues.

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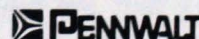
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Medicaid -- too much for too many

The poor and elderly in Texas are hoping, along with physicians and politicians, that the Governor's Blue Ribbon Medicaid Committee can find some solutions to the problems that plague the program. H. Eugene Brown, D.O. of Lubbock serves on the committee, and Jimmy D. Johnson, D.O. of Dallas testified at one of the hearings. Dr. Johnson has been active representing TOMA on the Medical Care Advisory Committee to the Department of Public Welfare. Here is Dr. Johnson's distressing report submitted to TOMA:

I went to Corpus Christi on February 2, 1977 at your request and spoke before the Blue Ribbon Committee concerning problems with Medicaid in Texas.

Some of the most salient points that I made were as follows:

1. The program is attempting to supply far too many people with too broad a coverage of benefits. An example is that 57,000 recipients are housed in long-term care centers and receive nearly one-half of the program's funds. The remaining portion is divided among the remaining 600,000 for their services.

I feel that our priorities are in error. Far too many people are being "baby-sat" by the nursing centers; only 16 per cent of the residents should be in mandatory care centers. The other 84 per cent are Type Two and Type Three categories.

2. I do not think that we can reduce the current number of prescriptions (three monthly), but it is my opinion that the type of prescriptions filled under the plan could be reduced.

Tranquilizers, antidepressants, non-narcotic analgesics, vasodilators (with the exception of nicotinic acid), and most forms of anti-inflammatory arthritic preparations, could also be considered for removal from the list of authorized drugs,

3. We must consider eliminating some of the unnecessary programs that are non-mandatory, such as the denture, hearing aid, and eye glass program.

Whereas these programs are not extremely taxing today, each year they are doubling in cost. The denture program is expected to increase from \$4.4 million to \$10.1 million in expenditures.

Once again I would like to point out that these are non-mandatory services that are being provided,

and the immediate question is, can we afford these services to be continued at this time when we are in a financial crisis.

4. The present fee system is unfair to many physicians. My personal fee, in my opinion, of \$10 per office visit is a fair fee; yet associates of mine that are Board qualified general practitioners are receiving as low as \$6 per visit here in Dallas. This system needs study and amendment.

5. The state bureaucracy in handling Medicaid claims develops into a game of Russian roulette that the physicians (or many of them) refuse to play, and drives off many fine physicians that would, under different circumstances, accept welfare patients, were it not for the increased paper work, et cetera.

Many physicians have stated to me that they just could not put up with the "hassle" of filing claims and waiting for determination and/or payment and the constant upkeep of claims pending.

Some of the five points were not very well received by the Committee, and the members did not show any enthusiasm or appreciation for any of the information they received or the work of the men that came before the Committee to make their reports. I feel that the meeting was a waste of time for myself and others that spoke.

After my report I opened the floor for discussion and questions and only Dr. Cole participated by asking one question. No other Committee member showed any interest. This suggests to me either that I'm a rather dull speaker, or that they had total lack of concern and/or disinterest in the subject of my report.

I feel that the time has come that we stop speeches and take action. We can no longer afford the niceties we are providing welfare recipients.

As we heard before the Governors' Conference, before President Carter, if Medicaid is not curtailed or more wisely administered, it may not only break the states' treasuries, but it will hasten the federal programs that are so desired by so many.

I want to thank you for the privilege of going before the Committee and presenting my views. Although I wish I could say that I felt we accomplished what we attempted to do, I do not feel that we were successful.

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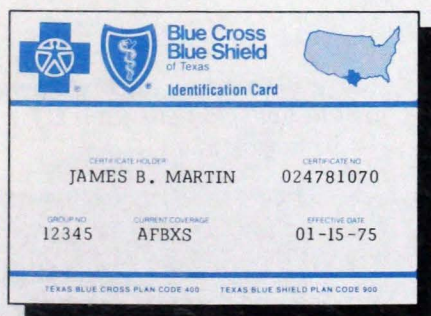
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PROGRAM

SATURDAY

APRIL 23, 1977

8:00— 8:45 a.m.	REGISTRATION	12:00— 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH
8:45— 9:00 a.m.	WELCOMING REMARKS Ralph L. Willard, D.O., F.A.C.O.S. H. J. Friedsam, Ph.D.	1:00— 3:00 p.m.	<i>Current Trends in the Management of the Aging Patient (Con't) Dr. Hanna</i>
9:00—10:00 a.m.	<i>Identifying the High Risk Patient in Geriatric Medicine Dr. Cordas</i>	3:00— 5:00 p.m.	<i>The Range of Living Arrangements for your Older Patients — From Total Institutional Care to Self-Care Dr. Shore</i>
10:00—12:00 noon	<i>Current Trends in the Management of the Aging Patient Dr. English and Dr. Martin</i>	5:00 p.m.	ADJOURN

This one-day program clinic is designed to acquaint the practitioner with some of the special problems and needs of the aged patient. Up-to-date information on the physical, social, and psychological aspects of "older people oriented" diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation will be conveyed by eminently qualified speaker-consultants.

New facilities required as District III grows

Osteopathic facilities and services in Tyler continue to expand at a rapid rate.

Neal A. Pock, D.O., KCOM '70, opened an 8,000 square foot professional building adjacent to Doctors-Memorial Hospital in July, 1975. Occupants of the new building include three D.O.s, three dentists and a pharmacy.

In addition to Dr. Pock, the D.O.s include Dr. M. Scott Connor, a G.P. graduate of TCOM, and Dr. Bruce Petermeyer, who completed his residency in internal medicine at East Town Osteopathic Hospital last June.

Recently ground was broken to add another 3,000 square feet to bring the complex to 11,000 square feet of working space, with 48,000 square feet of parking space.

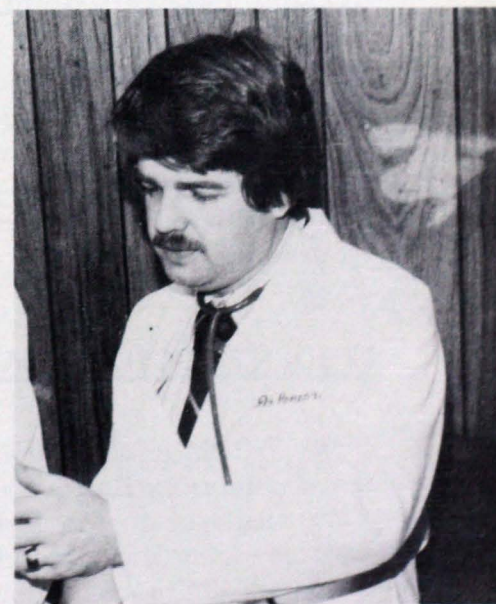
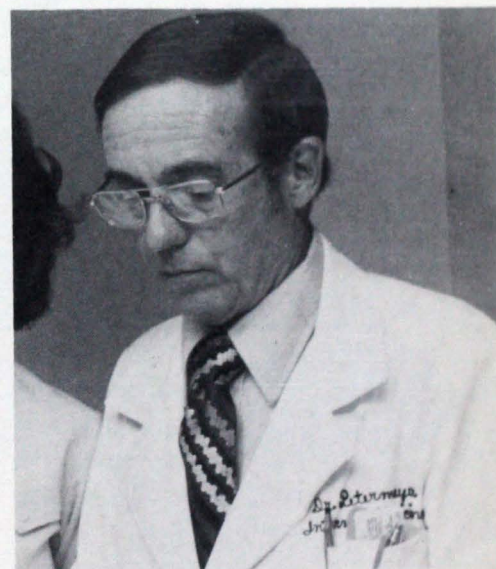
Among its tenants will be Paul Moran, D.O., general surgeon; Paul (Bill) Duncan, D.O., a G.P. from Magnolia, Ohio; and Dr. Grady Browning (Ph.D.), clinical psychologist and counselor.

About three years ago, Doctors-Memorial Hospital, an osteopathic institution, located adjacent to Dr. Pock's development, opened its new facilities with 54 beds. The hospital Board is currently funding an expansion to 104 beds.

Olie Clem is administrator of Doctors-Memorial and has served the osteopathic profession in Tyler for many years. He was administrator at the time that two former osteopathic hospitals were combined into the present institution.

As a result of the development of the osteopathic medical center, construction of a new 100-bed nursing home is scheduled to begin soon on four and one-half acres that have been acquired by outside interests and is located adjacent to the osteopathic facilities.

Doctors-Memorial has 17 osteopathic GPs on the professional staff, in addition to D.O. specialists in anesthesiology, internal medicine, radiology, general surgery, orthopedic surgery, and a dentist.



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FLEX EXAMINATION PASSED BY 137

The Texas State Board of Medical Examiners reported that at its winter meeting 137 persons were licensed by reason of passing the FLEX examination. Of these, 74 were foreign, 20 out-of-state and 43 Texas medical school graduates. Also, of the 137 licensed, 21 were repeats in taking the FLEX exam.

BILL WOULD PLACE LAY PERSONS ON LICENSING BOARDS

Following a national trend, a bill has been introduced in the Texas Legislature that would increase the membership of all occupational licensing boards and commissions by three lay persons representing the general public. If passed, the bill would effect 34 such boards and commissions, including the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners.

DPW DOCTORS SHIFT POSITIONS

Philip A. Gates, M.D., has been appointed to a new position as Deputy Commissioner for Health Policy, Planning and Consultation at DPW. Emmett W. Greif, M.D., succeeds him as Acting Deputy Commissioner for Medical Programs. Dr. Gates spent many years developing the Texas Medicaid system. Dr. Greif was in general practice 12 years before becoming an anesthesiologist. Mr. Marlin Johnson is the Executive Director of Medicaid Programs for the department.

MALPRACTICE CLAIMS COST \$25,000

The Insurance Services Office (ISO) analyzed 10,000 malpractice claims settled by 11 carriers in a one-year span and found that the average pay out was \$25,000. Of the 10,000 claims, only seven per cent went to trial—with the doctors winning four out of five cases. Half of all the claims brought against doctors in this study were settled without going to trial.

REPORT YOUR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION PROBLEMS

TOMA wishes to document, as soon as possible, any problems D.O.s are encountering with the workmen's compensation system. Please type out complaints and pertinent information from injured workmen, your office staff, yourself, including statements made by claims personnel, and have them notarized and sent to the State Office. We have reason to believe there are some abuses that are not in the best interest of the physician or the injured workmen.

STUDENT DOCTORS HELP OUT

TCOM joined some 20 other Tarrant County Health Care agencies in participating in a Community Health Fair February 28—March 3 at the Tarrant County Junior College.

Student doctors from TCOM, under supervision of licensed D.O.s, provided free glaucoma testing on March 1 and 2. TCOM representatives also distributed literature on the osteopathic medical profession during the four-day event.

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LETTERS

Sen. Bentsen favors "sunset" legislation

Senator Lloyd Bentsen
Washington, D. C.

Dear Lloyd:

Congress and people are fully aware of the disturbing phenomenon connected with federal legislation and the resulting regulations.

More often than not, the regulations are far afield from the intent of the legislation you passed.

Therefore, this Association would like to go on record in support of H. R. 322 by Congressman de la Garza and/or any other legislation that would require responsible review of proposed regulations before they are set in cement (Federal Register).

Tex Roberts, CAE
Executive Director

Dear Tex:

Thank you for getting in touch with me.

H. R. 322 is now pending before the House Judiciary Committee, and Committee consideration has yet to be scheduled. Although I have not had the opportunity to study H. R. 322 in detail, I will take a close look at it and will be following any action by the House of Representatives.

As you may know, prior to my six years in the Senate, I spent sixteen years building my own business and I am very familiar with the frustration experienced due to overly burdensome bureaucratic requirements. I spent many hours completing the endless stream of government forms and paperwork that were necessary to comply with federal regulations.

I am deeply concerned that for too long Congress has passed laws without regard to the paperwork burden that would result, and

Congress has too often passed excessively general legislation, leaving it up to the various executive agencies to formulate the specific guidelines or regulations. To prevent such occurrences in the future, I have introduced legislation requiring all measures proposed by Congress to include an explanation of the paperwork burden it would impose on business. In addition, I have been pressing for legislation requiring all federal agencies to cite the specific law which grants them their authority for issuing a new regulation.

In an effort to strike from the book existing regulations and programs which are obsolete or counter-productive, I am co-sponsoring two bills which operate under what is known as the "sunset" concept. The Regulatory Reform Act sets up a five-year schedule for compulsory review of all federal regulatory commissions. Regulatory activities to which the Congress does not take affirmative action would automatically terminate. The Government Economy and Spending Reform Act requires Congress to re-examine all government programs on a regular basis to see if they are accomplishing the objective originally intended. The ineffective programs or those which have outlived their usefulness would be weeded out.

The "sunset" legislation will insure that Congress exercises continual oversight in rulemaking decisions, and I will be making every effort to secure the enactment of these proposals. I am glad to know that you share my concern in such matters, and I appreciate your taking the time to write.

Senator Lloyd Bentsen
Washington, D. C.

Sometimes it takes guts!

Dear Tex:

Lockhart has really been good to me and my family — of course, this is my hometown.

The city recently took on two FMGs (M.D.s) and we are still looking for more physicians.

Just wish all these young graduates had to put their nose to the grindstone for a year or so and hang onto the ropes.

Just thankful I had the guts to go where I thought I was needed.

E. Lane Bowden, D.O.

Instant practice for D.O.

Dear Sir:

Our town in south Texas is growing at an unprecedented rate due to a local "oil boom". The area is ripe for another family practitioner. I myself only moved here six months ago and have been over-busy since the first day.

I am the only D.O. in a huge area. I would like to have another D.O. move here and need your help in finding one.

I would like a list of Texas residents or doctors married to Texans so I may contact them. Either present interns or residents would be ideal.

I would also like to place an ad in the *Journal* in the near future and would appreciate any advice you may be able to give me.

My interest in this is merely because I would rather see a D.O. move here than an M.D. The opportunity here is truly outstanding and needs no sales pitch. Someone is bound to come here soon, so let's try to have him one of ours rather than one of them.

D. L. Schmidt, D.O.
Pearsall, Texas

LETTERS

Haven't located any surgical residents who will be completing their training in the near future, but since this Journal is widely circulated in osteopathic medical schools and hospitals, perhaps you will be hearing from someone who might read this, and about whom we do not know at present.—Ed.

Texas not forgotten

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I would like to attend the annual meeting in Corpus Christi next May. Would appreciate proper forms, etc.

Just 11 years ago in Corpus Christi I took office (as president) of TAOP&S. Time flies and how I do miss Texas and Corpus Christi. I'll get home before too long, I hope.

My old partner, Sam Ganz, takes office and this I must attend, so would appreciate any information.

I have enjoyed the Texas Journal since I have been up here but they quit sending it. I'd be glad to pay for it being sent up.

Thanks and hope to see you in May.

F. E. Logan, D.O.
Carthage, Missouri

Dear Fred:

We were glad to know you hadn't forgotten us down here in Texas, and are happy to send you registration forms for our convention in Corpus Christi, May 5-7.

When a member moves out of state, we automatically remove his name from our Journal mailing list, but since you enjoy it and would like to continue to receive it, we will put your name back on our list and hope it will entice you to return to Texas.—Ed.

Comprehension of philosophy

Dear Mr. Roberts:

You are to be commended for printing "Why be a D.O.?" in your March Journal. Sometimes students demonstrate more sense than those of us in practice. In this case it is evident that the student's basic abilities have been cultivated by a competent faculty. The student's comprehension is admirable and the faculty must be congratulated.

M. Sidney Hedeem, D.O.,
Executive Director
Minnesota State
Osteopathic Association

P.S. I am having copies made of the article to send out to all of our state association members.

Still free choice of doctor?

Senator Oscar Mauzy
Austin, Texas

Dear Senator Mauzy:

Your original legislation that gave injured workmen free choice of physician was definitely in the interest of the patient, but I am inquiring by this letter as to whether or not there is a movement on foot in the legislature to change that freedom of choice.

There is still pressure to send injured workmen to the "company" doctor, and we have letters telling us that this does not always get the best of care.

We do not condone overutilization or a physician exceeding his scope of practice in taking care of a patient; however, we do have a problem with some of the claims people of the big workmen's comp carriers making slanderous remarks to the injured workmen concerning the services of D.O.s. We are at work on the problem and hope to have it cleared up soon.

Is there any threat to the free choice of physician and services under the workmen's comp law in this session?

Tex Roberts, CAE
Executive Director

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Thank you for your letter of March 17, 1977. There are always forces at work down here trying to do away with freedom of choice of a physician by a workmen's compensation claimant.

If I have anything to say about it, they will not be successful this year either.

Senator Oscar H. Mauzy
Austin, Texas

Mason gets D.O.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

This is to apprise your office of my impending move to Mason.

After a great deal of deliberation, my family and I decided to move to a rural area and we feel that the Hill Country is ideally suited for us.

As you know, Mason is again without a doctor. It is my intention to establish practice in the clinic adjacent to the Mason Memorial Hospital, beginning April 1, and am prepared to be available to provide the community with reliable, quality, osteopathic medical care.

I mailed 2,000 (letters) one month ago, in an effort to provide my active patients with adequate notice. For those patients who specifically asked for a recommendation, I referred them to my very capable colleague, Dr. Jarvis Bull.

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Waldemar D. Schaefer, D.O.

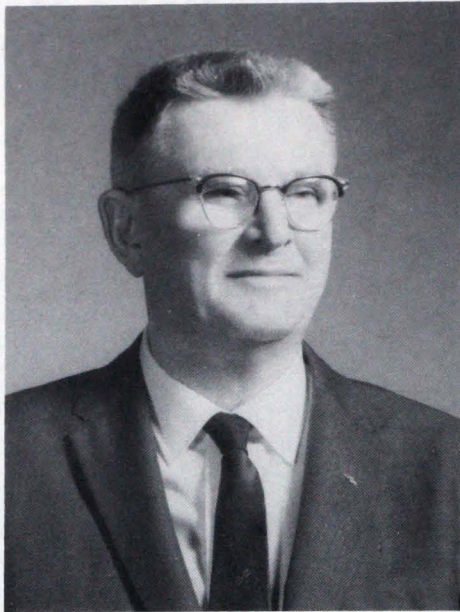
Dr. Waldemar D. Schaefer, who served longer in the TOMA House of Delegates than any other D.O. in Texas, died of a heart ailment Tuesday evening, March 29, in Alamo General Hospital, San Antonio.

A native of Pennsylvania, Dr. Schaefer served as superintendent of schools in Espanola, New Mexico before entering KCCOM, from which he graduated in 1948.

He was a fellow in the American College of Osteopathic General Practitioners and a life member of TOMA. Earlier this year he was awarded life membership in the AOA, although he had not received formal notification and presentation of this honor at the time of his death.

This year he was again elected a delegate to the TOMA House, and he had been informed that the formal presentation of the AOA life membership would be made at the Corpus Christi convention May 4. This would have been his twenty-second year in the TOMA House. Service to the profession by Dr. Schaefer included 25 years as secretary-treasurer of TOMA District VII.

Surviving are his wife, four children and two brothers. They are Mrs. Lily Gonzales Schaefer, his wife; Mrs. Christina Schaefer Tabb, Rosemary Gonzales, Carlos Gonzales and Albert Navarez. His surviving brothers are Dr. Frederick A. Schaefer of Fleetwood, Pennsylvania, who holds a doctorate in education, and Luther B. Schaefer



of Hamilton, New York.

He was born in Reading, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1908, and received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque.

While in Espanola, he served as president of the Lions Club in 1942 and 1943 and became active in the Lions Club in San Antonio soon after he went into general practice there in July, 1948. He served on the Lions Club Crippled Childrens Committee and numerous other committees in the service club.

Dr. Schaefer elected to become a sustaining member of TOMA in 1958 and over the years continued this extra financial support for his alma mater, KCCOM. Dr. Schaefer was an active staff member of the Alamo General Hospital, an osteopathic institution in San Antonio. ▲

HEW to modify final CON regs

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare will soon publish two amendments to the final certificate of need (CON) regulations which appeared in the *Federal Register* January 21.

The first change deals with the bed complement threshold at which a certificate of need is required. The regulations say that additions or conversion of more than 40 beds or 25 per cent of the total bed complement, whichever is less, over a two-year period, would require a CON. The change would drop these figures to 10 beds or 10 per cent. In either case, the CON would be required whether or not any capital expenditure is involved.

The second change deals with the required findings of the state agency as they relate to the cost, efficiency and appropriateness of the service being proposed by the applicant for a CON. The final regulations required that the agency *consider* the cost, efficiency and appropriateness of the particular service already offered by other facilities in the Health Service Area. The HEW modification will require that the agency make a *written finding* in this regard as well as a written finding as to the cost, efficiency and appropriateness of the service being proposed by the applicant.

This last change should be advantageous to osteopathic hospitals since it would require, in the case of a CON which is denied, that the reasons for the denial be in writing and that the evaluation of the service as provided by the other institutions also be in writing.

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District III

by H. George Grainger, D.O.

The visit of Executive Director Tex Roberts to District III headquarters March 19 was altogether a huge success, both public- and professional relationwise.

Tex spent a full day in Tyler, inspecting Dr. Neal Pock's expansive and expanding Professional Building, as well as Doctors-Memorial Hospital, which is bulging at the seams with patients (and contemplating the doubling of its size); then being interviewed by the local TV station, and likewise by an attractive young lady reporter from the Courier-Times.

Then in the evening came the prime reason for the visit; a talk, mainly about current legislation in Austin (malpractice!), but also about the activities of the Central Office, and what all you get for your money, which is quite a lot.

The turnout at the meeting was highly gratifying, in spite of the Petroleum Club's dinner bill. It was good to see two extra tables had to be set up to accommodate the influx of late comers. (Friend Robert Hairston, by the way, didn't show, even though the notice was mailed to him this time on time.)

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Dr. Anton Lester's dogwood in front of his office was acclaimed by the host of viewers of the Tyler Azalea Trails as the most beautiful blossoming dogwood tree on the block, if not in Tyler.

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Linda Rasberry, beautiful wife of bearded Kerry Rasberry, was in the local news early March. Linda was shown among a group of officers of

the Tyler Chapter of Rose Toler. She is the secretary of the group. What is a Rose Toler? Don't ask Kerry; ask Linda.

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Paul Moran, newest of Tyler surgeons of the osteopathic persuasion, attended the big ACOS bash in Tulsa mid-March. Rotund, Board-eligible Paul, who is working on his fellowship, left his family at home in Tyler. Strictly business, he said.

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E. F. Touma finally joined up with the burgeoning Doctors-Memorial staff, and is pouring anesthetic regularly for our three surgeons and an occasional G.P. E. F. is Board-eligible after his residency in Flint Osteopathic. He came here after a 13-year stretch at East Town Osteopathic and is building a nice lake home out on Emerald Bay. He brings with him wife Billie; Susie, age 9. By the way, Susie barks.

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## District XVI

by Ted Alexander, Jr., D.O.

At our February 9 meeting a new member, Dr. Thompson of Knox City, was introduced.

The excellent food at the Pelican Restaurant was enjoyed by all.

The program was presented by Dr. Ted Alexander, Jr., on congenital hemolyte jaundice.

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At our meeting March 9, Dr. Lee Walker of the Department of OB/GYN at TCOM gave an excellent presentation on toxemia.

He also brought our District members up-to-date on recent developments at TCOM.

In appreciation for his excellent lecture, District XVI presented Dr. Walker with a check for \$100 to be used in the Department of OB/GYN at the College.

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Dr. Ted Krohn is recovering from a severe bout of congestive heart failure.

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Diagnostic Radiology Conference Scheduled

The Seventh Regional Diagnostic Radiology Conference, sponsored by the American Osteopathic College of Radiology, will be held at the Fairmont Hotel in Dallas Friday, April 22 through Sunday, April 24.

Program chairman, Dr. Anthony G. Bascone, radiologist from Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospital, states that the program will feature several Dallas-Fort Worth D.O.s.

They are Dr. Jay Beckwith, gastroenterologist from Fort Worth; Dr. Joel Alter, Fort Worth surgeon; Dr. Jack McCorkle, radiologist from East Town Osteopathic Hospital; Dr. Charles D. Ogilvie, radiologist from Canton; Dr. Ed Lichwa, radiologist from Stevens Park, and Dr. Stan Briney, radiologist from Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital.

The program also features several area M.D.s, including Dr. James Sweatt and Dr. Lee Radford, both of Dallas. Dr. Barry Green, from M.D. Anderson Hospital, will have a two-hour portion of the program on Saturday, and will be reviewing modern gastrointestinal radiological techniques and ultrasound.

The program is approved for 17 hours credit by the American Osteopathic Association, and carries a registration fee of \$150.

The program is primarily designed for radiologists,

though may appeal to other physicians. Residents, interns and students are invited to attend, but should preregister by calling Dr. Bascone at Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospital (214-943-4631).

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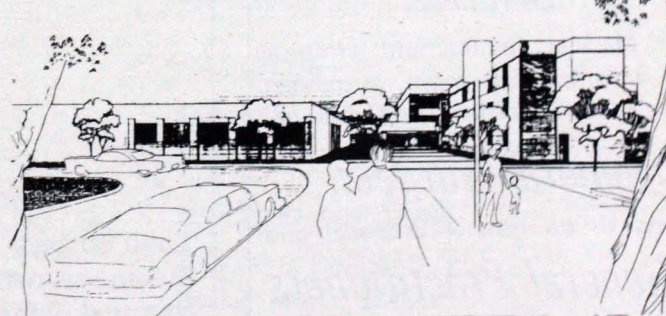
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M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute has established a free, statewide Cancer Information Service for the public, one of 17 such programs funded by the NCI throughout the nation. Mrs. Sandra Pinto, deputy information coordinator and administrator of the service, says it "should create a positive awareness of cancer so that people will be encouraged to seek treatment at an earlier stage of the disease."

Red Cross volunteers staff the information service. They are backed up by a technical advisory board of 75 physicians and other health professionals. So far, the most frequent questions have been about breast, lung, and skin cancer. Many other callers want general information about cancer and its symptoms.

At these prices???

A man stopped at a cafe and ordered a cup of coffee. When the waitress delivered it, he attempted to make conversation. "Looks like rain, doesn't it?" he ventured.

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A recent survey of callers revealed that 37.8 per cent of those polled took some action as a result of calling the service. Of those who

took action, 41 per cent had seen a physician and 8.9 per cent had made an appointment to do so. Other actions ranged from quitting smoking and changing living habits to participating in a screening clinic.

More than 3,000 persons have called with inquiries since the service began several months ago. The statewide toll-free number is 1-800-392-2040. The Houston number is 792-3245.▲

Consumer Alert: What Government Costs YOU

Consumer Alert: The Federal Government will cost the average family \$5,797 in the next fiscal year (FY).

Ask anyone what the largest item in his family household budget is and he might say food, clothing, or an automobile.

The average household in 1978 will spend \$3,354 on food, \$1,166 on clothing and shoes and \$985 on new and used automobiles, but costing more than all of the above will be their expenditures to keep Uncle Sam in shape.

Actually, the government costs the average family more than food, clothing, and automobiles combined. This year, as it has every year since 1965, the Federal

budget will increase.

The explosion of Federal expenditures during the last decade has resulted in an increase of 97% per household, from \$2,941 in 1968 to a projected level of \$5,797 in 1978.

The most significant increase in the last decade was in income security which more than tripled and now costs the average household \$1,896. This is because more persons have become eligible for Social Security and the new Supplemental Security Income programs in the public health area.

Doubling of the national debt has resulted in a 13.0% increase in the cost per family of debt service charges to \$523 per household.

1968--78 Budget Comparisons

	Expenditures FY (billions)		Expenditures per household		Per cent change
	1968	1978	1968	1978	1968-78
Total outlays	\$178.8	\$440.0	\$2,941	\$5,797	+ 97%
Income security	33.7	143.9	554	1,896	+242%
National defense	79.4	112.3	1,306	1,480	+ 13%
Public health	9.7	43.2	160	569	+256%
Debt interest	13.8	39.7	227	523	+130%
Natural resources/energy	4.0	19.7	66	260	+294%
Education/manpower	7.0	19.4	115	256	+123%
Commerce/transportation	10.6	19.3	174	254	+ 46%
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Source: The United States Budget, Fiscal Years 1968 and 1978 ▲

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