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General Election November 4

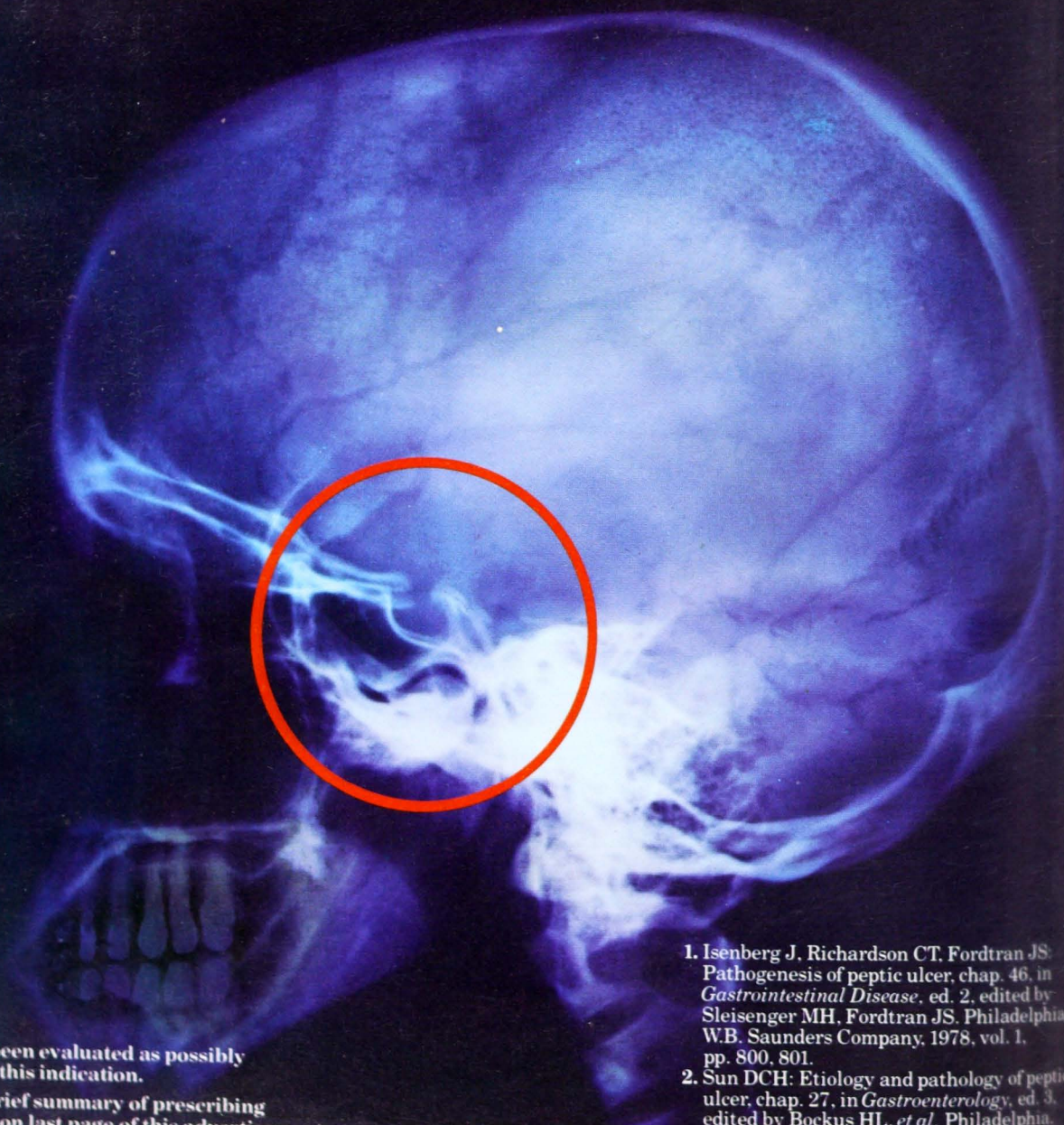
The stress-secretion relationship in duodenal ulcer*

The best available evidence suggests that anxiety and emotional tension stimulate acid-pepsin secretion.¹ Also, the development of an ulcer crater in predisposed individuals, or the aggravation of ulcer symptoms, is often typically preceded by a stressful event or situation. *Anxiety* in particular seems to play a determining role in the course and prognosis of the disease, as well as its etiology.

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ON THE COVER: TOMA takes this opportunity to urge all its members to vote in the general election November 4. Remember, voting is a privilege; if you fail to vote, you do not have the right to complain.

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Mr. Tex Roberts, Editor

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

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- ★TOMA District XII
Environmentally Influenced Skin
and ENT Complaints
Sponsored by Texas College of
Osteopathic Medicine
Holiday Inn
Groves
Contact:
Nancy Smith, TCOM/CME
Camp Bowie at Montgomery
Fort Worth, Texas 76107
817-735-2538

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- ★TOMA District VI Meeting
Contact:
Thomas A. Halling, D.O.,
Secretary
713-453-8531

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- 9-13
Annual Convention
American Osteopathic Association
Las Vegas, Nevada
Contact:
American Osteopathic
Association
212 E. Ohio Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611
1-800-621-1773

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- ★TOMA District III Meeting
Petroleum Club
Citizens National Bank Building
Tyler
6:30 p.m.
Contact:
H. George Grainger, D.O.,
Secretary
214-593-9731

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- ★TOMA District II Meeting
Don Pedro's
1801 W. Division
Arlington
6:30 p.m.
Contact:
Bill H. Puryear, D.O.,
President
817-834-7161

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- ★TOMA District V Meeting
Commerce Club
Merchants Bank Building
Dallas
6:30 p.m.
Contact:
John W. Wilson, D.O.,
Secretary
214-691-1090

- ★TOMA District XIV Meeting
Sizzler Steak House
McAllen
7:30 p.m.
Contact:
Cleo D. Wilson, D.O.,
Secretary
512-423-7330

- ★TOMA District XV Meeting
Contact:
Robert F. Bode, Jr., D.O.,
Secretary
214-647-1455

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- ★TOMA District IX Meeting
1101 E. Nueces
Victoria
3 p.m.
Contact:
C. Duane Tisdale, D.O.,
Secretary
512-578-9821

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Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

1

- ★TOMA District VI Meeting
Contact:
Thomas A. Halling, D.O.,
Secretary
713-453-8531

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- ★TOMA District V Meeting
Legislative Awareness Night
Loews Anatole
Monte Carlo Ballroom
Dallas
6:30 p.m., cocktails
7:30 p.m., dinner
Contact:
Robert N. Collop, D.O.,
President
214-821-2667

Calendar of Events

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★TOMA Administrative Guide
Committee Meeting
Amfac Hotel, Room 205
D/FW Airport
9 a.m.

★Texas Osteopathic PAC Meeting
Amfac Hotel, Room 205
D/FW Airport
11 a.m.

★TOMA Board of Trustees
Meeting
Amfac Hotel, Room 205
D/FW Airport
1 p.m.
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Executive Director
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Future of Aging*
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Fort Worth
14 CME Hours, Category I
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Nancy Smith, TCOM/CME
Camp Bowie at Montgomery
Fort Worth, Texas 76107
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★TOMA District II Meeting
Christmas Party
Ridglea Country Club
Fort Worth
6:30 p.m.
Contact:
Bill H. Puryear, D.O.,
President
817-834-7161

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Christmas Day

JANUARY

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New Year's Day

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★TOMA District VI Meeting
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Secretary
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Secretary
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★TOMA District II Meeting
Century II Club
Fort Worth
6:30 p.m.
Contact:
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Petroleum Club
Citizens First National Bank
Tyler
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Contact:
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★TOMA District XIV Meeting
Sizzler Steak House
Harlingen
7:30 p.m.
Contact:
Cleo D. Wilson, D.O.,
Secretary
512-423-7330

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★TOMA Legislative Reception
Headliner Club
Austin
4-8 p.m.
Contact:
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TCOM Holds Convocation, Celebrates 10th Anniversary

September was a busy month for Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (TCOM) as it entered its second decade as "Fort Worth's Medical School."

A variety of special events, including the Third Annual Fall Convocation and dedication of the Marjorie R. Sharp Conference Room held on September 25 and the college's 10-year birthday celebration held on September 30, highlighted the month's activities.

During the Fall Convocation Jane Laughlin Denslow, coordinator of community relations at Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, addressed the audience with a historical perspective on the life of A.T. Still, her grandfather and the founder of osteopathic medicine.

Mrs. Denslow, along with her husband, John Stedman Denslow, D.O., Henry B. Hardt, Ph.D., and Hugh O. Wolfe were honored as the recipients of TCOM's Founders' Medals for 1980.

Dr. Denslow is currently vice president emeritus at KCOM. Dr. Hardt, who resides in Fort Worth was the first dean of TCOM and Wolfe is a member of the North Texas State University Board of Regents, TCOM's governing body.

Upon accepting his Founders' Medal, Dr. Hardt in turn presented the medal to his wife, who he said had inspired him throughout his years.

In her speech, Mrs. Denslow noted that the original 1892 charter for the American School of Osteopathy, the country's first

college, stated, "The object of this corporation is to establish a college of osteopathy. The design of which is to improve our present system of surgery, obstetrics, and the treatment of diseases generally." This statement, she said, is still valid today.

Dakota and Michigan," she said. Mrs. Denslow quoted author Mark Twain, testifying in behalf of the osteopathic bill before the New York Legislature in 1901 as saying, "It is the proud boast of this republic that we have religious liberty -- why not allow the same liberty in



Recipients of the 1980 Founders' Medals were from left, Dr. and Mrs. Henry H. Hardt of Fort Worth, Mrs. Jane Laughlin Denslow of Kirksville, Missouri, Hugh O. Wolfe of Stephenville and John Stedman Denslow, also of Kirksville. The third annual convocation honored the 1980 first-year students at TCOM.

As osteopathy was accepted at a more or less local level, Mrs. Denslow reviewed the importance of establishing practice rights in the many states. "By 1897, osteopathy was recognized as a new school of healing by special legislation in four states, Vermont, Missouri, North

caring for our bodies?"

Mrs. Denslow told the audience of about 250 people that many advances have been made in materialistic things to show the growth of osteopathic medicine -- beautiful campuses, fine laboratories, new colleges and thousands of osteo-

pathic hospital beds. "Good solid, research has been produced by our basic science faculties but we are still woefully lacking in clinical research. We are still not able to produce scientific documentation of the various facets of somatic dysfunction. I shy away from the theory that clinicians avoid research because of the poor monetary return. I fervently hope that your clinical faculties will guide the bright, inquiring minds of their students into an interest in investigation."

"Time magazine, on July 14, 1980, in an article on "That Aching Back" quoted a member of our profession as saying, "There is no evidence that manipulation is better for a patient . . ." an irritating statement which, had it said scientific evidence, would be largely true. I consider this not a denigration but a challenge. We must have solid, accurate, acceptable osteopathic clinical research before we are ready to celebrate."

Prior to the convocation, the Marjorie R. Sharp Room, named after the late wife of T. Robert Sharp, D.O., of Mesquite, was dedicated. The room is located on the seventh floor of Medical Education Building I.

Dr. Sharp funded the project that converted the room into a conference center equipped for multimedia presentations.

A past president of the Auxiliary to TOMA, Mrs. Sharp was active in all phases of Auxiliary work in addition to being active in many church and civic organizations.

On September 30, TCOM officially celebrated its 10th anniversary as an osteopathic medical college. During the afternoon reception, Dean Ralph L. Willard, D.O., lead the birthday party participants in singing "Happy Birthday" to their college.

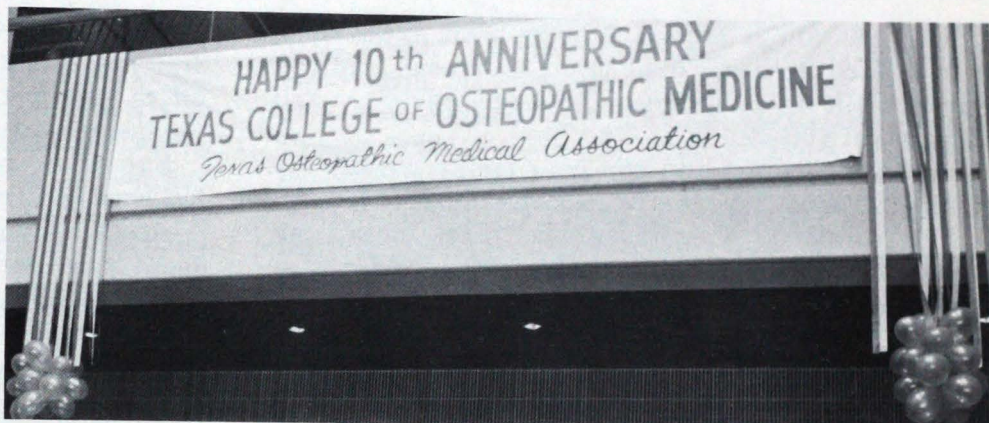
It was on October 1, 1970 that TCOM officially opened its doors to the first class of 20 students. The original classrooms were held on the fifth floor of Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital and the anatomy

lab was located in a nearby garage apartment.

Today, 343 graduates later, 330 students are being educated in facilities that include an eight-story medical education building, five family practice clinics, seven specialty clinics, two additional leased properties and a pathology building. Construction will begin soon on a second major educational structure, the \$15.5 million Medical Education Building II. ▲



Dr. Willard, left, and Dr. Sharp unveil a memorial plaque.



A 20-foot birthday card from TOMA to TCOM was hung in Med Ed I for the celebration.

Editor's Note: The following letter was sent to Ralph L. Willard, D.O., dean of TCOM by Hugh O. Wolfe of Stephenville. The letter follows the presentation naming Wolfe a recipient of TCOM's Founders' Medal. The letter makes the same points by the recipient at the annual convocation.

Thank you for the great honor. This "Founders' Medal" will be a constant reminder of the many pleasant hours with you and your associates. What a great team! What a great College of Osteopathic Medicine! We are proud of you and we are grateful for the product of your labors.

Just think, this all started in a little frame house, then a bowling alley and my motel. Now look at this magnificent structure and keep your eye on tomorrow. Yes, these hallowed grounds will provide many fond memories

that will satisfy nostalgia. While I dream of the past, you will make dreams come true.

Doctors of Osteopathy, did you know that some allopaths see you as a dangerous, complex compound of carbons? I know you as doctors of vision and courage. You see problems here that are now the rule — not the exception. I commend you for meeting the challenge head-on. That D.O. caduceus will shine bright in the victory parade.

D.O.'s, this is your ship. Do not let it flounder or sink by default. Guard it well against would-be pirates and politicians. As TCOM goes, so goes your strength, your philosophy, your integrity; even your profession.

If anyone at John Peter Smith says *Go to Hell, then Go!* Go, and serve that rural community too.

Yours in bond,
Hugh Wolfe

Mercury Vapors Lead to Health Abuses

By Robert Bernstein, M.D., Commissioner
Texas Department of Health

You can roll it around in your hand like a small marble, use it to turn a dime into a shiny coin, and you can watch it disappear into cracks and crevices — and carpets — if you spill it.

It can also poison you and your family through the release of vapors, says the Texas Department of Health.

This substance is mercury, or "quick silver," an amazing liquid metal which fascinates students in science classes and can lead to health-threatening abuses.

Poisoning by mercury vapor, which has no odor or other warning properties, has become a publicized occurrence in several Texas cities and towns this year — places like Austin, Baytown, Cockrell Hill, Dallas, Freeport, Jefferson and Waskom.

It gained its first notoriety in Jefferson, when an entire family became sick after moving into a newly-purchased home. Although pesticide poisoning was suspected — the home had been sprayed before the new owners moved in — an investigation proved otherwise. An alert investigation, however, indicated an evidence of a mercury spill in a bedroom to unravel the mystery of the family illness.

Extensive environmental tests by TDH personnel of Public Health Region 7 showed extremely high levels of mercury in the air. Subsequent investigations led to the discovery of other homes with mercury contamination. Charles H. (Chuck) Wentworth, a Region 7 engineer, supervised the cleanup of mercury in the homes. The contaminated carpet and pad in the first home were removed and buried.

The summer investigations have shown that mercury spills in homes are a significant health hazard, says Jerry Lauderdale, administrator of the Occupational Health and Radiation Control.

In the first case in Jefferson, said Lauderdale, family members began having nausea and stomach cramps. Medication for a "virus" failed to help, and poisoning from the treacherous mercury vapor continued to exact its toll. Finally, after three months of intermittent and progressively worsening symptoms, the family moved out of its new home.

Public health officials tested for several possible toxic substances.

When the mercury test was conducted, recalled W. T. (Doc) Ballard, chief engineer of the Tyler regional office, the mercury levels recorded "went as high as the instruments would go."

Expensive, painful treatment of the entire family followed in a Dallas hospital.

Acute mercury poisoning may affect the lungs and cause pain and tightness in the chest, difficulty in breathing, coughing, weakness, loss of appetite, weight loss, insomnia, indigestion, diarrhea, loosening teeth, irritability, memory loss and hand tremors.

Long term exposure may affect several body functions and organs, such as the kidneys, liver, brain, heart, and lungs. Acute skin reactions also have occurred following contact with mercury compounds.

Mercury and mercurial compounds are now widely used, not only in medicine and dentistry, but also in the chemical industry and in the manufacturing of paint, paper, pesticides and fungicides.

The major industrial uses are in the manufacture of electrical control instrumentation, electrolytic cells and explosives. Mercury compounds are also important in industrial gauges and in the chemical laboratory. Care by industrial users is vital to prevent chronic poisoning, said Lauderdale.

Lauderdale said children are attracted to mercury, and often it is brought into homes after being sneaked out of a school science laboratory, or perhaps acquired at a place of employment.

The exposure of a Dallas family resulted after a friend brought the mercury home from a job in a 12-ounce perfume bottle as a "new toy" for the children. After the children became ill, the family was alerted to the possibility of mercury poisoning by television news reports of the East Texas incident.

When a carpet is contaminated, Lauderdale suggests that the carpet and pad be taken up and destroyed since it is almost impossible to remove the mercury. Walking on the carpet breaks down the mercury into smaller droplets and increases the output of toxic vapor, said Lauderdale.

After a carpet and pad are removed and disposed of properly, Lauderdale said the area under the carpet should be decontaminated before replacement.

He also cautioned against using a vacuum cleaner in attempting to clean up a mercury spill, "It won't be successful and the vacuum cleaner will become contaminated," he said.

When mercury exposure is suspected, a physician should be contacted, says Lauderdale. Urine or blood samples for mercury may be desirable, and treatments are available to speed elimination of mercury from the body.

"Removal from further exposure is an important aspect of treatment, so decontamination of the home is necessary," he warned.

If a parent sees a child playing with mercury, the mercury should be confiscated and efforts made to determine if any spillage has occurred inside a home.

Energy efficient homes are especially vulnerable due to the lack of fresh air entering the home to dilute mercury vapors in the air," said Lauderdale, "Mercury has no odor or warning symptoms and mercury poisoning frequently is misinterpreted unless the physician is aware of mercury exposure."

For further information, contact Jerry Lauderdale, AC 512-458-7254, or at: Texas Department of Health, 1100 W. 49th Street, Austin, Texas 78756.

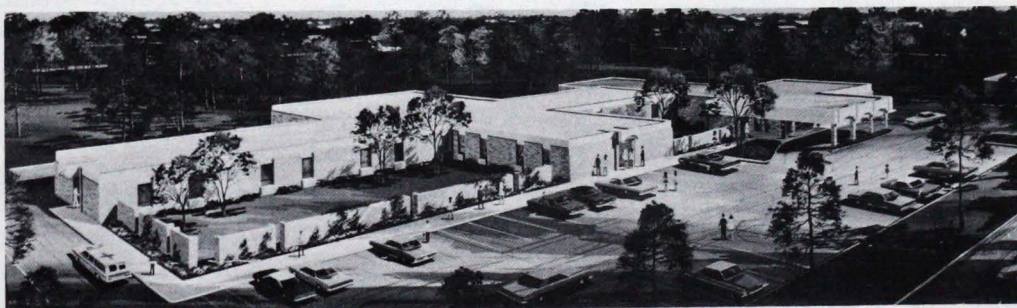
ATOMA Distributes Books

In an effort to "help get the word out," the Auxiliary to TOMA has been distributing copies of *The Difference A D.O. Makes* written by Bob Jones, executive director of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association.

To date, over 75 of the books have been placed in city high schools and college libraries across Texas. Among those receiving the books, compliments of TOMA and the Auxiliary, are libraries in Blanco, Pharr, San Antonio, Crosbyton, El Paso, Midland, Weatherford, Buda, Lorenzo, Longview, Orange, Lubbock, Fort Worth, Marble Falls, Arlington, Big Springs, Alpine, Iraan, Karnes City, Snyder, Dallas, San Angelo, Killeen, Texarkana, Hooks, Edcouch, Friona, Childress, Levelland, Whitehouse, Tyler, Brookshire, Kingsville, Morton, Seymour, Commerce, Harlingen, San Benito, Brownsville, Edinburg, Donna, Alamo, Raymondville, Weslaco and Lyford.

If any Auxiliary member would like to place *The Difference a D.O. Makes* in the city or school libraries of her hometown, please contact the TOMA office or ATOMA President Inez Suderman and the books will be sent to you for distribution.▲

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News From The Colleges

CCOM

Lawrence U. Haspel, D.O., professor of internal medicine at the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine (CCOM) has been named vice president for medical center affairs at the Olympia Fields Osteopathic Medical Center.

COMS

The College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery (COMS) in Des Moines, Iowa has announced six new faculty appointments.

Jon Cox, D.O., Frederick W. Strickland, D.O., Janet C. Hunter, D.O., and Cygnet Schroeder Pandeya, D.O., have joined as assistant professors of family practice. Daniel R. Deavers, Ph.D., has joined as an assistant professor of physiology and pharmacology and David W. Leopold, D.O., has been appointed professor of pediatrics.

OU-COM

Daniel J. Marazon, D.O., associate professor of family medicine at the Ohio University-College of Osteopathic Medicine (OU-COM), has been appointed medical director of the college's Medical Service Clinics.

In other appointments, Arden Findlay, D.O., associate professor of family medicine in the section on osteopathic principles and practice and David Partiquin, D.O., professor of family medicine and head of the section on osteopathic principles and practice, have joined OU-COM as full-time professors.

The second medical building on the OU-COM campus was formally dedicated October 4 at ceremonies held a few hours before the College of Osteopathic Medicine's Fifth Annual Convocation.

Irvine Hall — a 17-year-old former dormitory — was renovated at a cost of \$7.5 million to serve as a medical and science education center. Funds for the project came from an appropriation by the Ohio General Assembly.

William Lavelle, chairman of the OU Board of Trustees, said the use of a renovated dormitory as a medical education building was a "wise and prudent use of the Ohio taxpayer's money." He said that as a citizen of this area he was "very thankful" for the medical facilities the college is bringing to this region of the state.

The building now houses basic science faculty and administrative personnel, and has laboratories for microbiology, physiology, and anatomy. Also contained in Irvine are two new lecture halls — one which seats 280 persons, and the other which seats 125.

In addition, areas have been added for clinical demonstrations and electron microscope use.

PCOM

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM) has announced that the 13-acre campus on City Avenue at Monument Road will be known as "The Osteopathic Medical Center of Philadelphia." "We made this decision," said college president Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., "to clearly identify our campus as a medical center. In addition to the country's 10th largest medical school, we operate

a full-service hospital, a school of allied health, four health care centers and a new five-story medical office building. We feel that the new name is more appropriate to our corporate function."

According to Dr. Rowland the official corporate name will remain Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

PCOM has announced the appointment of Thomas P. Devlin, D.O., as an assistant professor of emergency medicine and Edwin W. Abbott, D.O., as associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology.

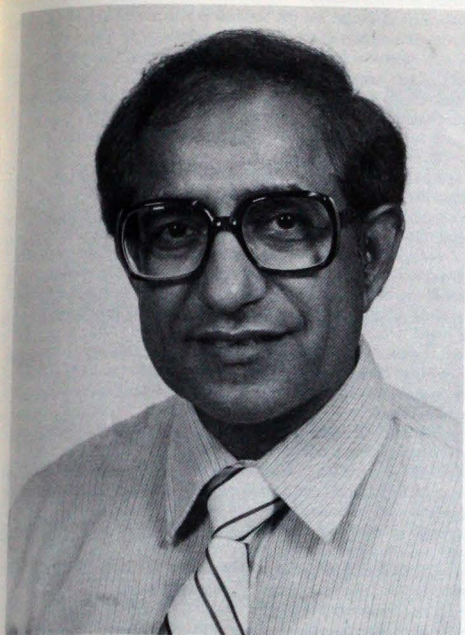
TCOM

Harbans Lal, Ph.D., whose main research field is the involvement of brain and mind in the body's health, has been named professor and chairman of the pharmacology department at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (TCOM).

Dr. Lal had been at the University of Rhode Island since 1967, serving as professor of pharmacology and toxicology and professor of psychology since 1970. He held a concurrent appointment at the Rhode Island Institute of Mental Health as clinical psychopharmacologist.

At TCOM Dr. Lal will continue his internationally known research into abused drugs and drugs used in the treatment of mental illness, anxiety, senility and hypertension. His work focuses on the fields of stress, psychosomatic diseases and pain.

Dr. Lal's laboratories in Rhode Island were responsible for the discovery of several new drugs or new uses for current drugs. One new drug, clonidine, an antihypertensive drug to detoxify heroin addicts, is



Harbans Lal, Ph.D.

now used in at least four clinics and has been used on some 400 patients.

"Clonidine is not a heroin-substitute like methadone," Dr. Lal explained. "It (clonidine) assists the patient to be heroin-and methadone-free by preventing cold-turkey symptoms."

In Boston last month, Dr. Lal presented results of his Rhode Island research into a new use for an old drug in the treatment of tardive dyskinesia, a man-made disease caused by drugs used to treat schizophrenics. "After years of using these drugs to treat schizophrenia," the TCOM researcher said, "there is a good chance of developing uncontrolled muscular movement such as swinging arms, moving lips and protruding tongue. This, of course, creates a distinct social stigma. Other people think these victims are crazy whether or not they really are."

"The drug we proved to be

useful in treatment of tardive dyskinesia is valium. I cannot tell anyone to use it for that, however. We showed its usefulness; it's up to the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) now."

Part of Dr. Lal's current study involved psychosomatic illnesses, diseases whose cause or enhancement is emotional or mental. "That field covers diseases such as anxiety, stress, asthma, allergies and cardiovascular ailments, but cancer is a newer area for psychosomatic treatment," he said.

Dr. Lal earned degrees from Punjab University and the Universities of Kansas and Chicago before holding positions at Northwestern University Medical School, the University of Kansas and in Rhode Island. He is author of more than 250 research papers, 10 books and 30 chapters in technical books.

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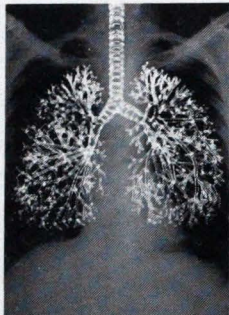
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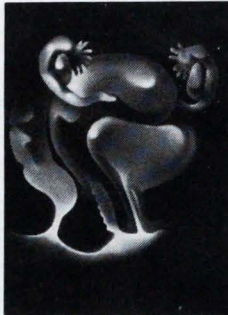
UPPER RESPIRATORY

acute otitis media in children



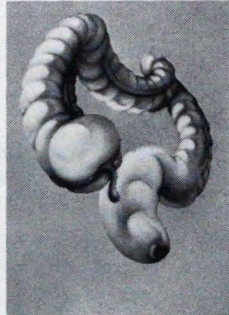
LOWER RESPIRATORY

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ATOMA News

By Mrs. Raymond E. Mann
District X

Living next to a newly developed golf course produces interesting sights and sounds in Southwest Lubbock; we've seen many jack rabbits, squirrels, owls, a pheasant in the front yard and heard a coyote's lonesome howl one evening. After a couple of real "frog strangler" rains, our fall weather is just about perfect and the sunsets spectacular. With all this homegrown environment to enjoy, our golf and tennis players have been testing their knees, shoulders, ankles and endurance in a dazzling display of athletic prowess. Some weeks the comparison of ace bandages leads to an impromptu meeting around the jacuzzi in Physical Therapy.

Dr. R.Z. and Evangeline Abell spent two happy weeks in September visiting friends in Long Island. Dr. Gene and Dana Brown continue to enjoy their Cloudcroft long week-ends frequently. Joan McMillion says she has given up tennis for golf. Dr. Leland and Norma Nelson, with daughter Debbie and grandchildren in town, have become expert at "care and feeding of grandchildren." Dr. Richard Mayer is sporting around town in a new Mercedes. Dr. Ken and Terry Kruczek entertained Ken's brother, Dr. Michael Kruczek, from San Antonio.

Just received a bulletin from Community Hospital announcing the arrival of a 7 lb. 6 oz. baby boy

to Ann and Gary Wright on October 8. Proud grandparents are Dr. Harlan and Lynn Wright. Dr. Bob and Jean Maul are off on that exotic sounding "Road to Tangier, Marrakesh, etc..." We'll anticipate hearing the full refrain when they return. Dr. Ray and Jo Mann are leaving for the surgeons convention in Miami October 12 - 19, and hope to visit with Dr. Jim and Sue Mott of Naples, Florida, along with many other good friends from around the country.

Sympathy is extended to Dr. Oliver and Betty Jones on the death of Oliver's brother, Dr. Gale Jones, of Grant City, Illinois.

By Mrs. J. Thomas O'Shea
ATOMA News Chairman

What with Halloween costumes to be made, birthday parties to be planned, and a never-ending series of meetings to attend, how does anyone get anything accomplished?! I think I'm having a "The hurrier I go, the behinder I get" crisis. But I'm not going to wait until New Year's Eve to make some resolutions and get back on the right track.

I hereby resolve:

1. that I will find time to attend the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital Guild meetings. They always sound so interesting and I always hear "that a good time was had by all."
2. that I will make a real effort to become an active member in the TCOM Faculty Wives

Club. They too always have an excellent newsletter and interesting, well-planned meetings.

3. that I will attend the next District II meeting even if it is held in a far-away land. The Auxiliary has always been important to me, especially on a local level, and involvement in it is especially important now that our responsibilities are increasing in the community.
4. that I will attend the National Convention in Las Vegas even though those days away will put me even further behind. As a delegate, I always enjoy the convention and come home so enthusiastic about our many accomplishments nation-wide.
5. that I will call our District II president soon to find out what is being planned for our annual Christmas party. And offer to help if she needs me.

Well, that's my list. As you can see, I too need reminding that I owe a great debt to osteopathic medicine; and the only way I can repay it is to be involved in the community as the wife of an osteopathic physician. Feel free to borrow any or all of my resolutions for your own use!

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By Mrs. Robert R. Ling
District VI

First of all I would like to thank the *Texas D.O.* for the feature story in its last issue on our "Kiss Me I'm a D.O." buttons and our Oiler hats. We have had so much fun with this public relations project.

I want to welcome District X to our Auxiliary news page. Their correspondent is Mrs. Raymond E. Mann. True to my word I will mail her something special for answering my challenge for other auxiliaries to mail their "goings on" so that we may know what others are doing across our great state of Texas.

Lois Campbell and myself flew to Harlingen and then drove to Pharr to attend the Board meeting of the State Auxiliary chaired by Inez Suderman, our current president. Other members in attendance from our district were Elaine Armbruster and Linda Armbruster. We have talked about how informative the day was and how delicious the luncheon was that Inez served in her home. My family was thrilled

when I brought home a sack of lemons picked right from trees growing in Inez's back yard.

We held our first meeting of the year at Kaphan's restaurant and had a real fine turnout. Our new year-book was distributed to all in attendance. This year's edition is really a knockout, done in "oiler blue" with an eyecatching cover. We are really going to give the other districts a run for their money for first place at our State Convention. My compliments to the committee that worked on this. Some of our members whom I met at our first meeting were: Dr. and Mrs. James Thompson, Dr. and Mrs. Don Rinker, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Cunningham, Dr. and Mrs. John Williams, Dr. and Mrs. Henry Ruehle, and Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Wasserstein.

We are planning a bus trip to the Wursthfest in November so I will let you know who went and who had the most fun with their new "D.O." buttons. Dr. Bob and I will also report on the National Convention in Las Vegas.▲

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O.M.T. Clinical Sessions (each day)
Sexual Counseling by the General Practitioner
Newer Aspects about Venereal Diseases
Male Infertility

Tuesday, February 10

Resurgence of an Old Disease (T.B.)
Recommended Pre and Post Op O.M.T.
Evaluation of the Jaundiced Patient
Strokes - Transient Ischemic Attacks
Evaluation and Treatment of Acute Eye Problems
Common Skin Diseases - Diagnosis and Treatment

Diagnosis and Treatment of Pediatric Eye Disorders
Pediatric O.M.T.
Pediatric Pneumonias

Wednesday, February 11

Review of Skin Tumors
New Eye Surgical Procedures
Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery - The Indications and Expectations
Philosophy and Concept of American Indian Medicine
Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty - Balloon Dilation and Rehabilitation

Thursday, February 12

Team Approach to Management of Trauma Patient
Using the Proper Coding for Medicare/Medicaid Billing
Shoulder Impingement Syndrome
Solitary Lung Nodules
Emergency Treatment of the Trauma Patient
Environmental Lung Diseases

Friday, February 13

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TCOM Trains GPs in Wake of Projected

The United States is heading for an over surplus of physicians by 1980, especially in the specialty areas, according to a recently released report by the Graduate Medical Education National Advisory Committee (GMENAC). The (GMENAC) report urges medical schools to limit enrollments and encourage new doctors to enter general practice as opposed to the specialty fields.

It also recommends extra federal financial rewards, such as tax credits, for physicians who practice in underserved areas.

Ralph L. Willard, D.O., dean of Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (TCOM), has noted that the high percentage of osteopathic physicians in primary care and rural areas shows that "we're (TCOM) doing what they (GMENAC) say needs to be done."

Recommendations by the GMENAC to cut back on the supply of physicians and encourage students away from the overcrowded medical specialties "are an encouragement for us to continue our mission," Dr. Willard said. Of the 343 physicians graduated from TCOM so far, 87 are in general and family practice in Texas and eight are in other areas of primary care.

In a breakdown of where the total number of graduates are, 138 are in private practice, 109 are still in internships and residencies and 96 are in military and public health service. A little more than half of the 138 practice in communities of less than 50,000.

TCOM, which is currently operating at 75 percent of its projected maximum, will increase its 1981 entering class to 112 and maintain it at that level.

According to figures released by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), about 92 percent of the nation's D.O.s are in primary care areas and more than 75 percent are in general practice. More than half practice in rural communities of 50,000 or fewer.

In predicting the over surplus, the GMENAC said that by 1990 the U.S. will have a surplus of 70,000 doctors and by the year 2000, the surplus will number 145,000.

The report also states that no new medical schools (either osteopathic or allopathic) should be opened.

It also recommended that by 1984 the schools cut new enrollments at least 10 percent from the 1978-79 class or 17 percent from this fall's class.

The panel said the number of foreign medical school graduates allowed to practice in this country should be severely restricted. The 40,000 - 50,000 foreign graduates expected to begin practice here in the 1980s account for the bulk of the projected surplus.

In predicting the over surplus, the panel also said the number of physician assistants, nurse practitioners and nurse midwives will rise from 20,000 in 1978 to 40,000 in 1990 and their growing numbers will compound the situation. It recommended an extensive examination of those roles.

Much dissent is expected from the medical community, which is expected to heavily lobby the congress not to turn the recommendations into national policy with the force of law.

At the American Osteopathic Association's Board meeting this month in Las Vegas, the AOA Board of Trustees will vote on a proposed resolution stating its disappointment that the GMENAC did not separately study the existing and projected patterns and needs of osteopathic medicine.

Listed below are the predictions of the GMENAC doctor surplus or shortages by 1990 in a variety of fields.

Child psychiatry: 9,000 needed, a shortage of 4,900 projected.

Emergency medicine: 13,500 needed, shortage of 4,250.

Preventive medicine: 7,300 needed, shortage of 1,750.

General psychiatry: 38,500 needed, shortage of 8,000.

Hematology-oncology-internal: 9,000 needed, shortage of 700.

Dermatology: 6,950 needed, surplus of 400.

plus of Specialists

Gastroenterology-internal: 6,500 needed, surplus of 400.

Osteopathic general: 22,000 needed, surplus of 1,150.

Family practice: 61,300 needed, surplus of 3,100.

General internal: 70,250 needed, surplus of 3,550.

Otolaryngology: 8,000 needed, surplus of 500.

General pediatrics: 36,400 needed, surplus of 4,950.

Urology: 7,700 needed, surplus of 1,650.

Orthopedic surgery: 15,100 needed, surplus of 5,000.

Ophthalmology: 11,600 needed, surplus of 4,700.

Thoracic surgery: 2,050 needed, surplus of 850.

Infectious diseases-internal: 2,250 needed, surplus of 1,000.

Obstetrics-gynecology: 24,000 needed, surplus of 10,450.

Plastic surgery: 2,700 needed, surplus of 1,200.

Allergy-immunology-internal: 2,050 needed, surplus of 1,000.

General surgery: 23,500 needed, surplus of 11,800.

Nephrology-internal: 2,750 needed, surplus of 2,100.

Rheumatology-internal: 1,700 needed, surplus of 1,300.

The panel also forecast twice as many specialists as needed in these fields: cardiology-internal medicine, endocrinology-internal medicine, neurosurgery and pulmonary-internal medicine.▲

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Dr. Boyd Replies

The following letter was written to the editor of *American Medical News*.

Dear Sir:

Your article on the osteopathic profession in the July 25th issue was excellent, and the letters of response in the August 29th issue were almost as enlightening. Dr. Carl Siegel's letter may actually reveal a problem of one segment of our profession, that of D.O. graduates inadequately trained, or uninterested in osteopathic medicine's manipulative arts. We do have these people — many of them entered our schools seeking only "to be a DOCTOR." However, if his experience with our profession were broader (if it extended to Eden, Texas, or thousands of other locations) he would find that many patients come to us because they do receive osteopathic manipulative treatment as a part of their care.

Many of my M.D. friends would tell you that I am proud of the quality of the education I received, including a grounding in the complex contributions of the neuromusculoskeletal system in health and disease, and that I apply that training in my daily practice.

I hope that your article and recent changes in official M.D.-D.O. relations mean that Dr. Siegel speaks for a minority among M.D.s, and that the allopathic profession has given up its struggle for organizational, political and philosophical monopoly in medicine.

Sincerely,
John H. Boyd, D.O.

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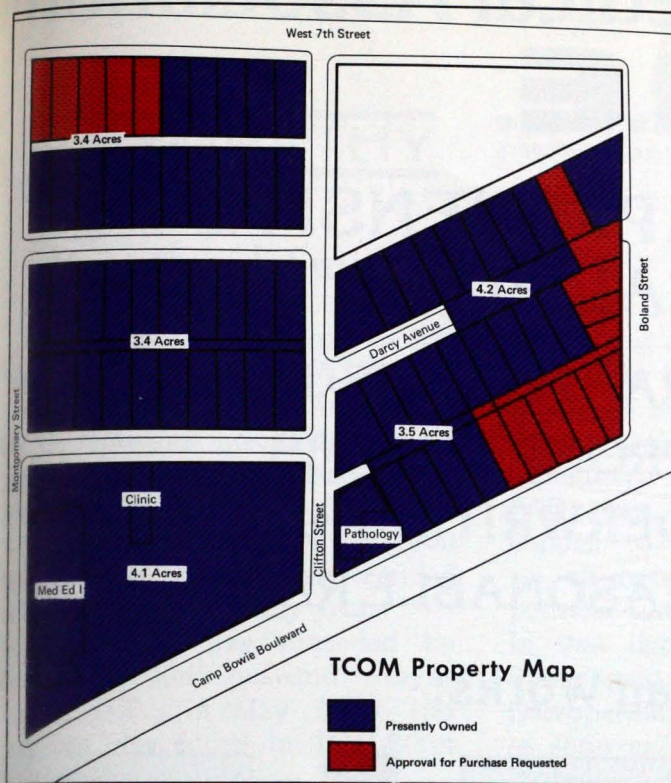
Those who describe themselves—or others—with that "physician first" nonsense want to imply that the person's first concern is treating patients and that being an osteopathic physician is only a secondary concern. But the osteopathic medical profession is predicated on a foundation of caring. D.O. is supposed to mean "caring," "treating the person, not the disease."

The hidden meaning behind "a physician first . . . and a D.O. second" is often: "I'm a physician. I'm equal to an M.D. I'm accepted. And secondly (perhaps unfortunately) I'm a D.O." It's that hidden meaning that worries and disappoints me.

Pride is an important element to each of us. We need to be proud of ourselves, our appearance, our work, our families, among other things. And the D.O. today has every reason to be proud of the degree, doctor of osteopathy. You can and should be proud of your achievement in becoming an osteopathic physician.

You can . . . and you should. . . be pleased and proud to say "I'm an osteopathic physician." Because when you get right down to it, that's it all.

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College Increases Holdings

In addition to the land where Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine's Medical Education Building I and the Institute for Forensic Medicine sit, TCOM has acquired 57 additional lots and has requested permission to purchase 14 others.

This land is located east and north of the school's current facility.

According to L.L. LaRue, TCOM's chief fiscal officer, the college is anticipating breaking ground on Medical Education Building II in early January. The second new structure will be built at a right angle to the existing structure on the Mattison Street side of Medical Education Building I. ▲

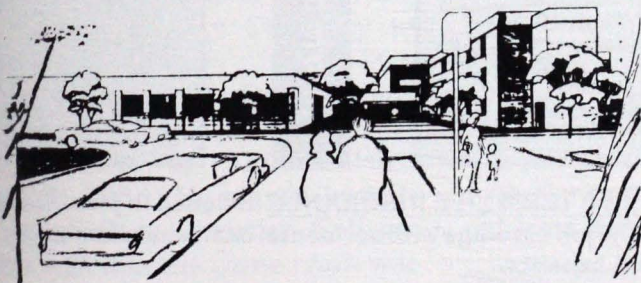
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"Now it may interest you to know that 11,998 people are in jail, so that leaves just 2 people to carry the load. That's you and me — and brother, I'm getting sick and tired of doing everything myself!"

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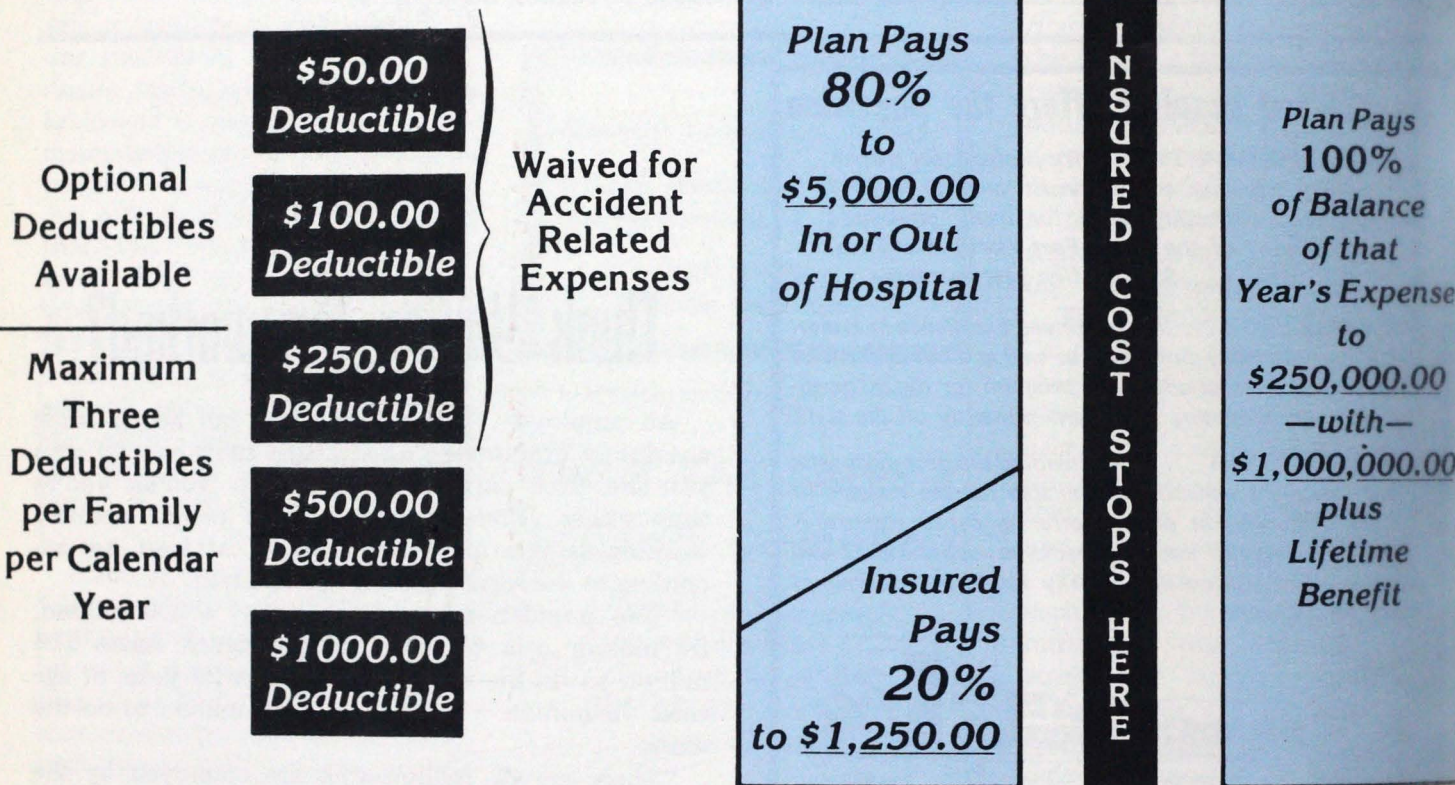
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District Communiqués

Mrs. Pearl Smith

By H. George Grainger, D.O.
District III

Mrs. Pearl Ann Johnson Smith, 74, mother of Jerry W. Smith, D.O., of Houston died August 29, at a Houston hospital. Funeral services were held August 30 in Jacksonville.

She was born October 24, 1905 in Kirksville, Missouri and resided in Jacksonville for many years.

Mrs. Smith was preceded by death by her husband Wayne Smith, D.O., in May 1965. Her husband was active in TOMA for many years.

Survivors include one son, Dr. Smith and three grandchildren.

We had a turnout of more than 40 at our September meeting at which we heard speakers from the Texas Osteopathic Political Action Committee (Texas Osteopathic PAC) warn us as to what could happen to our profession unless we all become activists -- both political and pocketbook -- wise. In that light, District III pledges \$500 again, and will send Texas Osteopathic PAC a check just as soon as we collect just a little more 1981 dues.

Statement for \$20 dues will have been mailed you all as you read this. If you haven't gotten around to it, now is a real good time to do it.

Speaker for the November 15 meeting of District III will be Dr. Bryan Holland, professor of medicine at The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. He is being sponsored by District III and the Giegy Pharmaceutical Company. The meeting will be in Tyler at the Petroleum Club in the Citizens Bank Building.

Earl Kinzie, D.O., of Lindale was honored at the district meeting with the presentation of a gold medal from E.R., Squibb and Company

for his "outstanding service." Steve Shockley, popular East Texas Squibb representative, presented Dr. Kinzie with the Preceptorship Award.

Incidentally, the *Tyler Morning-Telegraph* carried a two-column picture of the event, which will be offered for reproduction in our journal and *THE D.O.* and is to be shown soon in Squibb's national in-house organ.

According to the grapevine, Gary Taylor, D.O., has been elected chief-of-staff at the community hospital in Mt. Pleasant. The hospital has a combined D.O.-M.D. staff. ^

Raymond Wray

Raymond Wray of Combine, a brother of John A. Wray, D.O., of Amarillo and Thomas Wray, a senior at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, was killed October 15 when a single-engine Beechcraft Bonanza airplane he was riding in struck a guy wire of a broadcast tower in Cedar Hill.

A memorial service was held October 17 in Kaufman with graveside services at City Cemetery in Abilene.

Wray was originally from Abilene where he was named outstanding senior athlete at Abilene High School in 1966. He played basketball for Abilene Christian College.

Also killed in the plane crash was Ed Templeton, Jr., of Abilene.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy; one son, Rodney, 7; two daughters, Julie, 4 and Neita, 2; his mother, Mrs. Raymond Wray of Abilene; and three brothers, John of Amarillo, Thomas of Fort Worth and David of Abilene. He was preceded in death by his father. ^

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TOMA Legislative Reception

January 27, 1981

Headliners Club, Austin

TOMA Public Health Seminar

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE CONTROL SEEKS ABSTRACTS

The National Conference on High Blood Pressure Control is seeking abstracts dealing with hypertension. The annual meeting of the National Conference is slated for May 3-5, 1981 at the New York Hilton in New York City. Deadline for submission is November 24. For more information contact the National Conference on High Blood Pressure Control, 1501 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 600, Arlington, Virginia 22209.

TI BEGINS NEW PROGRAM

Texas Instruments will implement a Hospital Confinements Certification Program which will provide hospitals with not only a certification of coverage but also a guarantee of payment for a certain number of days based on the admitting diagnosis. The program will be voluntary and will require some participation from the attending physician. Aetna Life and Casualty, which administers the program requests the physicians to call them if there is a change in the patient's condition that would extend the patient's confinement past the number of days certified. It is hoped the program will avoid claim delays and retroactive claim denials.

DR. SMITH ELECTED TO KCCOM ALUMNI OFFICE

George N. Smith, D.O., of West has been elected president of the Alumni Association of the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine.

FORT WORTH HOSPITAL CHANGES ITS NAME

Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital has changed its name to Fort Worth Osteopathic Medical Center. The largest osteopathic hospital in Texas, the facility is in the process of a major expansion program.

STATE BOARD ISSUES 838 NEW LICENSES

As a result of the FLEX examination administered last June, the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners has issued 838 new licenses. Of these, 64 went to D.O.s and 774 to M.D.s. Also, 54 were foreign medical graduates, two were Canadian graduates, 100 were out-of-state graduates and 682 were graduates from Texas medical schools.

TCOM TO ACCEPT 112 NEW STUDENTS

Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine is anticipating accepting 112 first-year students in September of 1981. This will be the largest class to be accepted by the college.

SPOH ADMINISTRATOR INSTALLED AS AOHA CHAIRMAN

John B. Isbell, administrator of Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospital in Dallas, was installed as chairman of the board of the American Osteopathic Hospital Association during that organization's annual meeting October 21 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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THC PILLS TO BECOME AVAILABLE IN SOME TEXAS PHARMACIES

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) has announced that the tetrahydrocannabinol pills will become available in 17 Texas hospital pharmacies after a national protocol is approved. For more information, contact the TDH at 512-458-7111.

DR. HERZOG OPENS FAMILY PRACTICE

Gene A. Herzog, D.O., has opened a family practice office in Gainesville and joined the medical staff at Gainesville Memorial Hospital. He is a graduate of Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine.

NOM WEEK SET FOR 1981

National Osteopathic Medicine Week has been scheduled for September 13-19, 1981, according to the American Osteopathic Association.

FORT WORTH VOLUNTEER RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD

Elva Wickliffe, a volunteer at Fort Worth Osteopathic Medical Center, has been selected Volunteer of the Year by the National Osteopathic Guild Association. She has volunteered over 2,800 hours to the hospital.

NEW D.O.s OPEN PRACTICE IN ARLINGTON

Christian J. Roenn, D.O., and Robert C. Kent, D.O., have opened the Southwest Arlington Medical Clinic for family medicine and surgery. Both are graduates of Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine.

HAVE ALL PRESCRIPTION DRUGS BEEN APPROVED BY FDA AS BEING SAFE AND EFFECTIVE?

The Federal Appeals Court decision which declared, "All new products must have FDA approval before being marketed - regardless of the 'generally recognized' safety and effectiveness of their active ingredients" is in direct contradiction to the Lannett Decision in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and strengthens FDA's ANDA program for review and approval of generic drugs. Many physicians have been under the impression that all prescription drugs on the market have been approved by FDA as being safe and effective. . . which has not been the case in the last few years.

TIMA GETS GRANT FOR PSRO REVIEW IN TEXAS

The Texas Institute for Medical Assessment and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) have at the last minute agreed on a one-year PSRO operating grant. The agreement came after several months of struggling over terms. The \$1.133 million grant will allow TIMA to begin PSRO review in 51 Texas hospitals, located in Galveston, Harris, Jefferson and Travis counties and will provide concurrent review of 71,000 federally funded admissions during the grant period.

Opportunities Unlimited

Practice Locations in Texas

PHYSICIANS WANTED

ASSOCIATE DEAN for Academic Affairs needed at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (TCOM). TCOM invites nominees and applications for the position of Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. The Associate Dean for Academic Affairs has general responsibility for the development of educational philosophy and policies, implementation of the academic programs of the college and the encouragement of research and scholarly efforts of both faculty and students. Applicants or nominees must hold an earned doctor of osteopathy degree, be licensable in Texas, and present evidence of successful experience in educational leadership. TCOM has been a part of the Texas College and University System under the direction of the Board of Regents of North Texas State University since 1975. Applications must be received no later than January 15, 1981, accompanied by a comprehensive curricular vita, and names and addresses of five references. Please send to M. L. Budd, Ph.D., Chairman, Search Committee, TCOM, Camp Bowie at Montgomery, Fort Worth, 76107, E.O.E.

ASSOCIATE NEEDED—to take over the general practice and OB of a solid, well-established clinic where a high quality of broad range general practice of osteopathic medicine is practiced. 250K gross with no medicaid or weight junkies. Present doctor will concentrate on specialty practice. 12 minutes by freeway to downtown Dallas. No financial obligations. References required. Reply to Box "R", TOMA, 512 Bailey Avenue, Fort Worth, 76107.

CLYDE—26-bed hospital in beautiful hill country for sale. Close to San Angelo. Good location for D.O. general practitioner/surgeon. Other D.O.s practicing in the area. Contact: L. T. Gayao; (day) 915-854-1820 or (night) 915-854-1868.

DALLAS HOSPITAL — Affiliated with 10 out-patient Clinics needs GPs for family practice. Also general surgeon or combination. Call collect: Joe Foss, South Oakcliff Medical Center 214-946-4000.

FORT WORTH — Department of Surgery, Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine has full-time clinical faculty positions open, general surgery and orthopedic surgery. The department will accept applications from surgeons with excellent qualifications and a genuine interest in academic surgery. Excellent instructional salary levels. For full details write: William R. Jenkins, D.O., FACOS, Chairman, Dept. of Surgery, Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, Camp Bowie at Montgomery, Fort Worth, 76107.

FORT WORTH — Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine faculty positions available. Clinical departments, family practice, specialists. Contact: Ralph L. Willard, D.O., Dean, TCOM, Camp Bowie at Montgomery, Fort Worth, 76107.

GROVES — Anesthesiologist needed in Groves/Port Arthur area of Southeast Texas. Contact: John Sielert, Administrator, Doctors Hospital, 5500 - 39th Street, Groves, 77619. Phone: 713-962-5733.

HALTOM CITY — needs one or two family practitioners. First 90-days RENT FREE. Located five-minutes from downtown Fort Worth. Next to established pharmacy and dental office. Large reception area, six exam rooms, x-ray, lab, two restrooms with showers, private office for physician, break room, large storage area, 2300 square feet available, parking plentiful. Call 817-284-8026 or 535-2525 and ask for Richard.

HOUSTON — Physicians interested in Houston area (family practice or pediatrics urgently needed). Contact: Lanny Chopin, Administrator, Eastway General Hospital, 9339 N. Loop East, Houston 77026. Phone: 713-675-3241.

HURST — GPs, Pediatrics, OB/GYN— Needed immediately, 115-bed Hurst General Hospital, located between Fort Worth and Dallas, needs GP's, Pediatricians, OB/GYN to serve rapidly growing area. Excellent opportunity for experienced or young eager physicians wanting to build a practice. Hospital will assist with start-up and relocation expenses. Contact: John Miller, Executive Director, Hurst General Hospital, 837 Brown Trail, Hurst, 76053. Phone: 817-268-3762.

JUNCTION — needs general practitioner. D.O.s welcomed. Town located in Kimble County. Community wide population of about 4,500. Has 18-bed short term general hospital with lab, x-ray, EKG computer service, respiratory care and coronary care unit for ancillary support services. A beautiful place to live. For more information write Don Hopkins, Administrator, Kimble Hospital, Junction, Texas 76849.

NIXON — seriously needs another osteopathic physician interested in doing general practice including osteopathic manipulative therapy. (Only physicians willing to practice OMT need respond.) The town is growing, has a new refinery that is presently being tripled in size, plus an expanding poultry and egg industry. Beautiful new clinic building to office in, along with another D.O., a dentist and an optometrist. Contact: W. G. Millington, D.O., 200 E. Second St., Nixon, 78140 or call (day phone) 512-582-1222 (night phone) 512-582-1336.

NIXON — general/family practitioner needed in city of 2,000 and is the center of a service area of 10,000 people. Warm climate year around. Active volunteer

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ambulance service and modern 90-bed nursing home. Modern facilities, completely equipped examination rooms, laboratory, x-ray and rear entrance emergency room is in the Nixon Medical Center. Nixon Hospital District is prepared to offer this facility rent free for a 12-month period and will make certain financial guarantees to the physician selected, as well as, grant staff privileges. For more information contact: Richard L. McClarney, Box 510, Luling, 78648 or call 512-875-5643.

REFRACTIONIST — Retired or semi-retired refractionist needed immediately for modern, professional optical office in Texas. Full or part time considered. No investment, no dispensing, good income. Earn while you train. Write Box "M", 512 Bailey, Fort Worth, 76107.

SWEETWATER — General Practice D.O. needed to associate with established young D.O. Salary or percentage first year. Full partnership second year. Busy practice. Large clinic with own x-ray and laboratory. If interested call or write L. R. Moses, D.O., 1401 Hailey, Sweetwater, 79556; phone: 915-235-1784 or after 7 p.m. 235-5215.

TEXAS OPPORTUNITY NEAR SAN ANTONIO — Family physician needed to replace busy physician who wants to slow down and retire in two years. No investment required. Modern hospital located in adjacent town. Excellent family area. All replies will be kept confidential and all replies will be answered. Contact: Box "A", TOMA, 512 Bailey Avenue, Fort Worth, 76107.

TYLER — Multi specialty general osteopathic hospital (54 beds) in East Texas has immediate need for an internist. Excellent income potential. Contact Mr. Olie Clem, Administrator, Doctors Memorial Hospital, 1400 West SW Loop 323, Tyler, 75701. Phone: 214-561-3771.

TYLER — Population 70,000 plus. General/family practice in beautiful East Texas. Free office space adjacent to a 54-bed general osteopathic hospital, relocation expense and financial assistance available until practice is established. Excellent schools including Tyler Jr. College and University of Texas at Tyler. Beautiful lakes and trees. Outdoor activities unlimited. This is one of the most beautiful places in the country to live and raise a family. Contact: Mr. Olie Clem, Admin., Doctors Memorial Hospital, 1400 West SW Loop 323, Tyler, 75701. Phone: 214-561-3771.

POSITIONS DESIRED

GENERAL INTERNIST — 28, desires to establish practice in Texas when Internal Medicine residency is completed. Available August 1981 — Texas licensed. Curriculum vitae available upon request. If interested write Box "T", TOMA, 512 Bailey, Fort Worth, 76107.

GENERAL PRACTICE — D.O. physician would like to establish solo or partnership practice preferably in 100 mile radius of Austin. Would consider other areas. Write John Schepman, D.O., 604 Pennsylvania Avenue, Nutter Fort, West Virginia 26301. Phone: 304-622-2957.

GENERAL SURGEON — Homesick Texan would like to return after completing General Surgical residency on January 31, 1981 in Michigan. This lovable 30-year-old man has a wife and three children. Would like to work with a group but has no qualms in going solo as starvation sets in. Those interested please contact: Steven R. Price, D.O., 2943 Barth Street, Flint, Michigan 48504. Phone: 313-238-4384.

GENERAL SURGERY — Physician wanting General Surgery practice. Native Texan. Completes residency July 31, 1981. Abdominal surgery with exposure to chest, vascular and urology. Married with two children. Previous GP and OB experience. Contact: L. D. Farr, D.O., 3921 Beecher Road, Flint, Michigan 48504. Phone: 313-762-4571 (wife).

INTERNIST — Looking for active practice in larger city of Texas. Willing to associate with other physician or to buy practice. Does general practice and rheumatology work, also. For more information contact: Joel M. Shavelle, D.O., 7654 Timber Ridge Drive, Birmingham, Michigan 48010. Phone: (office) 313-541-5260 or (home) 313-855-2450.

ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON — will be out of residency July '81 and wishes to practice in Texas. For more information write or call Robert Chouteau, D.O., 106 Westridge Drive, West Des Moines, Iowa 50265. Phone: 515-225-1417.

PEDIATRICIAN — Looking to relocate in Texas. Prefers to practice within a 150 mile radius of Fort Worth. For more information write TOMA, Box "D", 512 Bailey, Fort Worth, 76107.

PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT — Recently graduated energetic physician's assistant seeking position with family practice D.O. in Texas. Has practice experience with D.O.'s. C.V. will be sent upon request. Contact: Ronald V. Washaki, 7140 San Mateo Blvd., Apt. 272, Dallas, 75223 or call 214-328-4707. (For personal or professional reference contact: Imre Kocsis, D.O., 2431 Pine Bluff, Dallas, 75228. Office phone: 214-944-8111.

(For information call or write Mr. Tex Roberts, Executive Director, TOMA Locations Committee, 512 Bailey Avenue, Fort Worth, 76107. Phone: 817-336-0549 or toll free in Texas 1-800-772-5993.)

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