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EDITORIAL PAGE

The annual meeting of the House of Delegates held in Dallas April 30 and May 1, 1952 was indeed inspiring.

After six years' effort on the part of TAOP&S, we have finally developed a representative body, representing the ten districts of osteopathic physicians in the State of Texas. The members of the House are to be congratulated upon their untiring efforts in behalf of their district. The attention and interest of the members of the House this year were by far the best in the history of the House.

It is regrettable that it is not feasible or possible at the present time to publish the committee reports and the entire proceedings of the House. This issue of the JOURNAL carries a resume of the proceedings with corrections of certain recommendations made by committees. Each delegate has in his possession a printed copy of committee reports. It is the duty of each delegate to read, explain and discuss these reports with each member of the profession.

When your delegates speak, they speak for you. Each member should realize that any policy or action taken by their delegates reflects upon each individual member. If you want to be sure that your delegate represents your ideas, you must be familiar with their action as well as the committee's action, the financial report and all matters pertaining to the association. If you are not given a report, it is your duty to demand one.

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Dr. Floyd F. Peckham, AOA President, Extends Greetings To The House of Delegates

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FLOYD F. PECKHAM, D. O. President, American Osteopathic Association.

The Speaker states that we have as an honored guest the president of the American Osteopathic Association, and appoints Dr. Robert E. Morgan, national trustee, to escort Dr. Peckham to the rostrum to extend greetings from the American Osteopathic Association.

DR. PECKHAM: Thanks, Mr. Speaker, and Members of the House. I am delighted to be here and I appreciate this invitation. It has been my pleasure to have been in Texas on several occasions and from experience know it is a great State, on which I need not dwell.

One or two things come to mind and stand out forcibly in your contribution to the osteopathic profession. First, you have produced some great men. You have four past presidents of the AOA, and I recall the experience on my last trip here which im-

pressed me very much, and it has never been forgotten. A couple of years ago I came to Texas to speak, I believe, to the Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association. It was a very hot day in August and two of the past presidents-I believe Dr. Holloway and Dr. Scothorn—came to the hotel just to greet me and wish me well, and one of them said, "I want you to know that this is the first time I have had on a coat all summer." But he said, "When the "ne president elect of the AOA comes to our State, it is something that merits the wearing of a coat." To me this was one of the nicest gestures that has ever happened to me.

You have a past president sitting beside me, who, in my opinion, has contributed to osteopathy as much as any one person I know in the whole country. He has in Chicago a monument in the way of the permanent home of the American Osteopathic Association, which I am sure you have seen, and down through the years it will be considered a monument to Phil Russell. It was his idea. We all tried to do our bit toward it, but it is a great thing and it started in his mind.

You also have another family represented in the activity of organized osteopathy. Dr. Morgan is a trustee of the AOA — an excellent trustee — having done some very fine work. He has the

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skill and connections that have aided materially in veterans organizations. He has the respect of the entire board and is doing a splendid work, and you should be proud of him.

We also have Mrs. Morgan and she has been a most gracious, efficient and able president of the auxiliary. In my travels this year, which have been considerable, I have seen Mrs. Morgan frequently. As a matter of fact, only last Saturday night in Chicago, it was my privilege to be seated next to her at a banquet and she is doing a commendable work.

Your legislative efforts have been wonderful. You have a good law and you have another undertaking which I do not think is equaled in any other State. Considering the number of people who are practicing osteopathy, I am sure that no state can show the hospital development which the osteopathic profession in Texas has accomplished. It is remarkable. I have seen many of these hospitals. My understanding is that you have more than 50, which is an outstanding accomplishment and you are to be congratulated.

It seems that I am to appear two or three times before the entire group in

attendance and there are many problems that I should like to discuss with you but, to conserve the time before this busy House, it will be my privilege to make an official report to the association in its assembly.

Yesterday I sat in all day with your board of trustees. I could not help but be impressed by the skill and particularly by the real interest and determination to do a good job that was evident all day long. It seems to me that Texas has everything it takes to really go places in the osteopathic profession, and the AOA recognizes this and appreciates all that you have done, and so in order to not waste any more of your time again may I tell you that I appreciate the opportunity of being here.

Thank You!

Mrs. George J. Luibel extends her appreciation to the members of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons for their thoughtfulness expressed by the lovely flowers sent to her recently while she was in the hospital, as they helped immeasurably to make the days much brighter.

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Dr. Robert H. Lorenz, duly elected Speaker of the House of Delegates, presenting Dr. A. Ross McKinney, retiring Speaker, with engraved gavel for services rendered.

Resume of Minutes of the House of Delegates Hotel Adolphus, Dallas, Texas

Wednesday, April 30 - Thursday, Morning, May 1, 1952

House was called to order at 9:00 a.m., April 30, 1952 by the Speaker, Dr. A. Ross McKinney of Texarkana.

Invocation was given by Dr. Robert H. Lorenz of Dallas, Texas.

The Speaker, Dr. A. Ross McKinney, then appointed the following committees:

Credentials Committee: Dr. Robert J. Brune, Chairman; Dr. Robert H. Lorenz, Dr. Sherman P. Sparks and Dr. Henry A. Spivey.

Resolutions Committee: Dr. Robert H. Lorenz, Chairman; Dr. Lester L. Hamilton, Dr. Howard R. Coats.

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Sergeant-at-arms: Dr. Charles H. Bragg.

Parliamentarian: Dr. Merle Griffin.

The Credentials Committee reported and the following delegates were seated:

Dr. Dwight H. Cox, Hedley

Dr. J. Francis Brown, Amarillo

Dr. J. Gordon Stewart, Clarendon

Dr. E. W. Cain, Amarillo

Dr. Robert E. Morgan, Dallas

Dr. Robert H. Lorenz, Dallas

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Dr. J. A. Finer, Lubbock Dr. Richard M. Mayer, Lubbock

Dr. Sam F. Sparks, president of the association, spoke to the House of Delegates for some ten minutes. He reviewed the formation of the House and the reason for the formation of same. He called attention to the fact that the representatives from the districts to the House of Delegates was the proper and only way to secure action in the State Association on matters of policy. He stressed the duties of those serving in the House, not only that they were charged with the responsibility of the policies set by the association, but stressed the fact that it was the duty of the members of the House of Delegates to return to their districts and report upon the action taken by this House. Dr. Sparks then commented upon the duties as set up by the organization, calling the attention of the House to the fact that if the committees did not function, the organization suffered in every department.

Following Dr. Sparks' address, Dr. Robert E. Morgan, national trustee, escorted Dr. Floyd F. Peckham, president of the American Osteopathic Association, to the platform, where he delivered a short greeting from the American Osteopathic Association, and told the group that he would address the entire assembly the following day on

national affairs.

The next order of business was presenting the minutes of the previous meeting. The House moved to accept these minutes as printed and that they be filed.

Dr. Robert H. Lorenz, vice speaker,

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1033 MAIN AVENUE SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS moved that since all reports were printed they be accepted as printed and placed in the hands of delegates before the convention, with the exceptions of the recommendations and additional reports. This was seconded by Dr. Brune and was carried.

This year all committee reports and recommendations, with the exception of the Physicians Relocation Committee and the Selective Service Committee were placed in the hands of the delegates two weeks prior to the meeting of the House.

The report of the executive secretary being first on the agenda was accepted and filed, but the House requested that the executive secretary epitomize and review his report. He briefly commented on the following subjects:

Financial condition of the association, which is the best ever.

Reported on the membership being the highest—410.

Reported that the exhibits were the largest ever.

Explained the budget.

Discussed for a considerable time the Journal, calling attention to the fact to the house that articles were not forthcoming from the profession to make this Journal the type it should be.

Called attention to the directory and commented upon the improvement this

year

He called attention to the House of the Selective Service Act and warned them that we must be prepared to serve our country in the capacity for which we have been trained in this emergency.

Discussed the Nettleship Insurance Company and P&PW.

He commented at length on the good work of the insurance committee and our public relations under the present plan with Blue Cross.

He reviewed somewhat the legislative possibility for the following year.

He gave a complete report on the State office, the inadequacy of the office and the need for expansion, and the need for additional secretarial help.

The House, in discussing the directory, called attention to the fact that under specialists the members of the Society of Proctology be shown, which had inadvertently been left out, and recommended that same be printed in the next directory.

The Speaker asked for special order of business at the request of the board of trustees to consider amendments to the Constitution that had been published, realizing that if one of these amendments were adopted, it would have considerable effect upon the recommendations adopted by the House:

Recommendation No. 3 was adopted by the House, which set up an entire new arrangements of committees and created a Manual of Procedure as directions for the committees' activities.

The other two amendments as submitted were of necessity defeated because they were in conflict with the one

adopted.

Report of the Public Health Committee was next on the agenda. Dr. Wilson, chairman, reviewed at length the bills that were passed by the last legislature and commented upon the legislative session of 1953.

Recommendations as printed, 1, 2, 3

and 4 were adopted.

Recommendation No. 5, the follow-

ing substitution was made:

"That the House of Delegates and the Board of Trustees express confidence in the Public Health Committee of the TAOP&S in the protection of the profession."

Recommendation No. 6 was adopted

as printed.

Recommendation No. 7 was amended as printed to substitute for "whenever possible" the words "whenever feasible".

Recommendation No. 8 was adopted

as printed.

Report of the Membership Committee by Dr. Earle H. Mann, chairman, was received and filed. The report showed th th

the largest number of members yet in the history of the organization—410. The printed recommendation of this committee was defeated, due to the fact that it would interfere with the new set up as adopted when the Constitution was changed in regard to committees.

Report of the Emergency Disaster Committee by Dr. R. J. Brune, chairman, was received and filed. There was considerable discussion in regard to this report. There were no recommendations. The discussion brought out that most of the districts were cooperating with the State setup of emergency disaster but that to date there had been very little activity, with the exception of formulation of plans.

The report of the Selective Service Committee, Dr. J. B. Donovan, chairman, was accepted and filed. There were no recommendations. This committee brought out the report that we had had difficulty with one local board and one physician who was in the Reserve during the past year but that the matter had been straightened out to the satisfaction of the Association.

Report of the Veterans Affairs Committee was accepted and filed. Dr. Morgan, chairman, commented at considerable length in reference to the activities of the osteopathic veterans in their organization. He presented two recommendations. The first was adopted as printed. The second recommendation was reworded as follows and adopted:

"Recommended that since it is desirable that your Veterans Affairs Chairmen participate in State veterans organizations appropriations be made to enable part of the expenses to be paid by the Texas Association."

Recommendation No. 3 of this Committee was referred back to the Board because it deals with specific finances. This recommendation was adopted by the Board of Trustees.

Report of Professional and Public Welfare Committee was accepted and filed. Dr. Luibel, co-chairman of this Committee, elaborated to some extent in regard to the failure of committee members, the profession and the hospitals to cooperate in public relations of the State Association, calling attention to the fact that the entire legislative committee's action and all other committees' actions were directly related to the proper public relations activity of the State Association.

Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 as printed were adopted; No. 7 was defeated; No. 8 was deleted by request of the Board of Trustees because it would be an obstruction to the new committee setting up the Manual of Procedure, and it was felt that they should set the functions before action was taken upon it. No. 9 was adopted as printed.

The report of the Vocational Guidance Committee was accepted and filed. Dr. Garrison, chairman, called attention

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to the fact that in the future we should have an osteopathic physician at every vocational guidance conference held in our colleges in the State. Recommendation as printed by the committee was accepted.

The report of the Program Committee was accepted and filed. Dr. Garrison, chairman, reported the difficulty in securing programs for this year's convention and stated that he hoped in the future that it could be avoided.

Recommendation No. 1 was defeated by the House on recommendation of the Board of Trustees because of the fact that it would interfere with the new constitutional committee changes that had just previously been voted on. Recommendation No. 2 as printed was accepted.

At this point, Dr. Ellis made the following motion:

"That the Program Committee decide upon the speakers wanted for the convention and that the executive secretary be instructed to make final arrangements for the speakers."

Dr. Brune moved, seconded by Dr. Lorenz, and made a substitute motion that the matter be referred to the new committee on Manual Procedure to define the duties of the committees. This carried.

The report of the Insurance Committee was received and filed. Dr. Gafney, chairman, conducted a rather lengthy discussion of the activities of this committee's work and presented recommendations.

Recommendation No. 1 was referred to the Board for action, as it dealt with finances. The Board of Trustees adopted it.

Recommendation No. 2 was defeated, because it interfered with the prerogative of the president in appointing committees under the constitution.

Recommendation No. 3 as printed was adopted.

Recommendation No. 4 was defeated upon recommendation of the committee

chairman himself because the discussion brought out and proved that it was not feasible to set up at the present time In-Patient Clinics for classification.

Recommendation No. 5 was defeated because of the adoption by the House earlier of the new constitution, which automatically takes care of this recommendation.

Recommendation No. 6 was made to the House in an effort to bring out a discussion as to how charges should be made or how he should pay the charges in reference to inspection of hospitals by the committee.

Motion was made and passed that the committee handle the charges as they had been previously handled during this year.

Dr. Gafney submitted to the House a supplementary report of the Insurance Committee stating the new procedure by which the Insurance Committee was inspecting registered hospitals not inspected by the AOA and making recommendations to the Board of Trustees of the Texas Association as to those hospitals that the Insurance Committee felt should be recommended to the Bureau of Hospitals of the AOA for registration.

Dr. Gafney went into a considerable discussion explaining the form used for evaluating these hospitals by the inspectors.

The Osteopathic Progress Fund Committee report by Dr. Lester J. Vick, chairman, was received and filed.

Dr. Vick presented an additional report, commenting upon and showing a chart listing those who had pledged to the Osteopathic Progress Fund, those who had paid their pledges, those who had not paid their pledges and those who had not pledged to the fund at all, by districts.

He commented at length in regard to the fact that two districts in the State had failed to reply to correspondence from his committee. District 4 in particular had difficulty with district 10 which lately had been clarified. Dr. Vick made one recommendation which was adopted as printed.

Dr. Vick then presented Mr. Lewis F. Chapman of the American Osteo-pathic Association, who spoke to the House at considerable length in reference to the Osteopathic Progress Fund brought out the following points:

He discussed first the classification of doctors in the profession:

- 1. Persons well informed and contributing to OPF.
- 2. Informed and interested but has paid up his former pledge and is not at the present contributing.
- The physician who has neither interest, is not informed and has never contributed.
- 4. The physician who has pledged and informed but has not paid up his pledge.

Mr. Chapman pointed out that better than 150 colleges granted osteopathic physicians a B. S. degree after attending three years of premedical instruction and attending one year in an osteopathic college. He pointed out that more schools should do the same, if and when they have pre-osteopathic students.

He called to the attention of the group that the colleges of today are approved by all state educational accrediting bodies from coast to coast, the same accreditation as granted to the old school of medicine. He stated that the osteopathic profession should be proud of the fact that the American Council of Education, the highest evaluating group of academic education, has a

member of the Bureau of Education of the AOA, and that three representatives of the osteopathic profession took part in every meeting and were voting members.

He called attention to the fact that many college presidents were using as an example the Osteopathic Progress Fund as sponsored by the osteopathic profession from which we were gaining a tremendous amount of good public relations.

He called attention to the fact that 233 osteopathic physicians in Texas have not contributed to OPF, that 119 pledges were behind in their payments. He further stated that the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons was considered one of the leaders in the group of divisional societies and that the OPF was one of its failures and that it should bring it up to the position that the association enjoved from its other activities. He stated that no profession could possibly be any stronger than its colleges. He called attention to the fact that only 22.5 per cent of the cost of training these students was covered by the tuition and that the school had to make up 75 per cent of the cost of educating a student. He stated that all colleges now had a budget of over \$1,000,000 annually. He further stated that there were no better public relations that could be secured by the osteopathic profession than a request for money from the lay public under the OPF plan. A rising vote of thanks was given to the OPF Committee by the House.

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The report of the Censorship and Ethics Committee by Dr. Merle Griffin, chairman, was received and filed. Considerable discussion was had in regard to this report of recommendations of the committee.

Recommendation No. 1 as printed was amended to read:

"Any member of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons who willfully continues to violate the code of ethics we recommend that the Board of Trustees exercise its responsibility".

Recommendation No. 2 as printed was amended to read:

"Any member or nonmember of the osteopathic school of practice who is licensed by the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners as a D. O. and who has been notified in writing concerning the violation of the Doctor's Title Law and should this violation continue in spite of repeated notifications, that this individual's name be submitted to the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners for suspension of his license."

Recommendation No. 3 as printed was amended to read as follows:

"This committee recommends further that an osteopathic physician licensed as such in the State of Texas by the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, even though not a member in good standing of the association, who continually and flagrantly violates the laws of Texas, that such individual's name be reported to the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners for suspension of his license."

An open discussion was held by the House on the question of physicians-patients relationship in regard to the osteopathic profession.

Dr. Dan Beyer, chairman of the Physicians Relocation Committee, gave a verbal report of his committee's activity. There was no written report. He

reported better cooperation of the physicians in sending in new locations. Dr. Beyer suggested that the president or secretary of each divisional society notify the state secretary of good locations in their particular district.

Report of Bureau of Conventions, Dr. J. R. Alexander, chairman, was accepted and filed. Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 were all defeated because conflicting with constitutional change as voted by this House.

The next order of business was a call for recommendations to the House by the Board of Trustees, other correspondence as submitted to the House having been taken care of by committee reports.

Correspondence from district 2 was submitted to the House and the following recommendation was adopted:

"That the House of Delegates appoint a committee to investigate the possibility and advantages of erecting a State office building." This was passed.

Another recommendation from district 2:

"That the House of Delegates instruct the delegates to the AOA to take specific action to assure that osteopathic physicians seeking to secure recognition in a specialty group or certification in a specialty be furnished with specific information as to the method of procedure for securing a membership or certification."

This passed.

District 2 submitted the following recommendation:

"That delegates to the AOA be instructed to introduce the following in the House of Delegates of the AOA:

'That the securing of professional liability insurance through the official carrier of the AOA be contingent upon membership in the divisional society.'"

This passed.

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By vote of the House the budget was open for discussion and an explanation called for of the revised budget, which was given by the executive secretary, the amendment to the budget including salary change of assistant secretary to \$3,000 a year and an addition to the budget of the Veterans Committee of \$200. The House endorsed these changes by vote.

District 6 of Houston introduced the following:

"In the interest of promoting harmony and to augment public relations.

BE IT RESOLVED that the State Office be instructed to discuss any controversial problem of any individual member, osteopathic institution or organization concerned prior to correspondence or conduct of business with any individual outside of the association."

This resolution was voted down by the House.

District 6 introduced the following: "In accordance with a motion made by the House of Delegates at Fort Worth, Texas, in 1950 we recommend that the State Office vigorously pursue previous authorized action concerning the telephone directory listing of osteopathic physicians under the heading "Physicians and Surgeons, D. O."

A substitute motion was made to this recommendation that the recommendation be referred to the proper committee under P&PW for their action as they see fit. The substitute motion carried.

District 6 submitted the following:

"Recommendation that the insurance committee of the State Association be commended for its action during the fiscal year 51-52 and that steps be taken to obtain full membership in Blue Cross."

This recommendation was not voted upon as action had already been taken to cover the resolution. District 6 submitted the following recommendation:

"Recommend to the incoming president from the House of Delegates that in an effort to promote better understanding and cooperation at the district level, the president or a representative appointed by the president contact each district personally within three months following the convention, outlining the aims and objects for the ensuing year, chiefly upon organizational activities."

The House took no action upon this resolution but discussion brought out the fact that it was the duty of the members of the House of Delegates to take the information back to the individual district and that such information should be carried to the district by members of the House of Delegates and that the president should be invited to the districts whenever the district so desired.

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A motion was made to give the executive secretary a rising vote of thanks for his service and his untiring efforts in behalf of the association. Same was given.

New business was called for. Dr. Alexander, chairman of the Honorary Life Membership Committee recommended that Dr. Thomas L. Ray and Dr. A. O. Scharff be granted life memberships by the House. Same was granted by vote of the House.

A report of the committee appointed last year on the Manual of Procedure was given by Dr. Merle Griffin, chairman, but the report was referred to the Committee on Committees (the new Manual Procedure Committee).

The House passed the following motion:

"That the president assign to appointed committees their duties during the year 52-53 until the House of Delegates adopts a new Manual of Procedure."

This motion carried.

District 2 submitted the following motion:

"That all committee reports and recommendations be presented to the parliamentarian fifteen (15) days before the annual meeting for correction as to constitutionality."

This motion was defeated.

District 2 submitted the following recommendation:

"That all papers presented at a district or hospital staff meeting be in writing and sent to the secretary of the State Association for possible publication in the Journal."

A substitute motion on the above was offered stating that where feasible all speakers before divisional societies or hospital staffs be encouraged to put their paper in writing and send to the secretary for publication. Substitute motion carried.

The House then called for nomination of officers. After nominations were made the House adjourned until the following morning when election was held and the officers as printed in the front of the Journal were elected.

Report of the Resolutions Committee

Dr. Robert H. Lorenz, Chairman WHEREAS, the members of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons in convention assembled in Dallas May 1, 2, 3, 1952 for its annual session has completed a particularly advantageous and interesting convention, be it

RESOLVED: That profound appreciation be expressed by the Osteopathic Profession to the Hon. J. B. Adoue, Jr., Mayor of Dallas, who cordially welcomed us.

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BE IT RESOLVED: That gratitude be extended to the Rev. Homer P. Reeves, Rev. Paul B. Frank, and Rev. Don Root for their prayers of divine guidance. BE IT RESOLVED: That Doctor Floyd Peckham, President of the A.O.A. and his staff be thanked for their most gracious participation in our convention.

WHEREAS, Some of the members of our Profession have traveled to that undiscovered country from whose borne no traveler returns, be it

RESOLVED: That our sympathies be extended to the families of these deceased along with our thanks for their contributions to the Profession during their lifetimes.

BE IT RESOLVED: That our thanks be expressed to Drs. George E. Miller, Robert H. Beyer, Raymond A. Biggs, Anthony E. Scardino, Malcolm E. Snell,

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Charles L. Curry, and Martin C. Beilke for their valuable contributions toward making this convention a success.

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WHEREAS, The best laid plans are of value only if faithfully and conscientiously executed, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we extend to Doctor Phil Russell and his staff our grateful appreciation of their untiring devotion to a high sense of duty as evidenced by the successful operation of the state office; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That to our Speaker, Doctor Ross McKinney. our thanks be voiced for his guidance and impartial decisions in our deliberations.

WHEREAS, The standing of the Osteopathic Profession has been greatly advanced in the past year and the profession has become more closely knit during the administration of President Sam F. Sparks, be it

RESOLVED: That our deep appreciation be conveyed to him for the energetic, unselfish and skillful administration of his office.

RESOLVED: That the appreciation of the Association be expressed to those not of our profession who were part of the speaking program at this conven-

tion who so graciously contributed of time and knowledge:

Dr. Carl Moore, M. D. Hon. L. W. Flewellen Dr. S. P. Bliss, M. D. Mr. Stephen L. Mayo Miss Julie Benell

BE IT RESOLVED: That the appreciation of the House of Delegates of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons be extended to the forty-four technical and scientific exhibitors. Their expenditure of time and effort has contributed greatly to the pleasure and information of those in attendance at the Convention; and their names will be published in the next issue of the JOURNAL.

RESOLVED: That our efforts be consecrated to further the public interest in Osteopathy and that we throw our full efforts behind our schools through the Osteopathic Progress Fund, and as a divisional society, assist the American Osteopathic Association in all of its efforts.

WHEREAS, the Auxiliary is so important in the life of our organization, be it

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RESOLVED: That the program Chairman, Dr. Archie L. Garrison, and his able associates, and the local convention committee be commended for the excellent program and the gracious hospitality we have enjoyed and that our thanks be extended to them.

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WHEREAS, the proper publicity and statement of fact by press and radio are of inestimable value for the enlightenment of the public, and

WHEREAS, the press and radio of Dallas have given generous time and

space for this publicity, be it

RESOLVED: That our thanks be expressed to the Dallas Morning News and the Dallas Times Herald, and Radio Stations KRLD, KLIF, WFAA, WRR, and KSKY.

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WHEREAS, Mr. Randall Davis, Manager of the Adolphus Hotel, and his personnel have courteously and efficiently fulfilled our request, be it

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Boston Pathologist Presents Theory on New Source Of Spread of TB

BOSTON, MASS. (AOA)—A new concept of the manner in which tuber-culosis infection spreads within the lungs was presented by Dr. Phillip Schwartz, pathologist of the Wallace Research Institute at the 48th annual meeting of the National Tuberculosis Association.

Dr. Schwartz says that the lymph nodes and lymphatic channels play an important part in transmitting tuberculosis from the focus of the infection to other parts of the lung. Formerly it had been held that only the bronchial system was involved in the spread of infection.

Dr. Schwartz spoke from observations based on 700 autopsy specimens.

Dr. R. L. Yeager of Pomona, New York, said that the drug pyrazinamide, which has been used on a limited scale in tuberculosis treatment, had a "moderate degree of anti-tuberculosis activity" capable of producing symptomatic improvements in patients.

Mother of Mrs. C. R. Stratton Dies

Mrs. Margaret McKee, 76, died at the Stratton Clinic and Hospital at 2 p. m., Thursday, June 26, 1952. The last rites and burial were held in Hillside. Mrs. McKee was a native of Ohio and made her home with Mrs. Stratton.

To Publish Book of Poems

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH (AOA)
—A new book of poems by Jeanne
Helm Sisson, wife of Dr. Keith R.
Sisson, entitled "Familiar Is the Wind,"
is to be published next month. Mrs.
Sisson is an active member of the Kent
County Osteopathic Auxiliary.

Cost of Operating Hospitals Doubles Since 1946

CHICAGO, ILL. (AOA)—The cost of operating general, non-profit hospitals in the United States reached four billion dollars during 1951, an increase of 6.6 percent over the previous year's expense and double that of 1946, the American Hospital Association states. Average cost for each patient each day in these hospitals last year was \$18.01.

Salaries in hospitals, Dr. Anthony J. J. Rourke, president of the association asserted, now represent an average of 56 percent of total expense, and in many hospitals this figure is 75 percent of total costs. Non-profit general hospitals have an average of 181 employees for every 100 patients, he added.

Plant investment in hospitals has has grown more than 40% since 1947 and now totals nearly eight and one-quarter billion dollars. From the standpoint of plant assets, this makes hospital operation the fifth largest industry in the country, Dr. Rourke commented.

Other statistics reported include the fact that the average patient spent slightly more than eight days in the hospital in 1951. Almost 19 million patients were admitted last year. The number of births rose near the 2,900,-

of 1947. "This does not mean necessarily that there were more babies born last year," Dr. Rourke explained. "Rather, it is an indication that more people are aware that hospitals are the safest place for their babies to be born."

Heart Disease Deaths Increase, But Individual Risk Called No Greater

NEW YORK, N. Y. (AOA)—The number of deaths from heart and blood vessel diseases has increased over the past half a century, but the average person actually faces no greater risk of dying of heart disease today than he did 50 years ago, reports the American Heart Association in a new illustrated booklet entitled "Diseases of the Heart and Blood Vessels—Facts and Figures."

Women face less risk than men of falling victim to heart diseases. During the past 20 years there has been a downward trend for cardio-vascular-renal death rates for all groups except white males.

Of the 745,000 deaths caused by these diseases in 1950, ninety percent resulted from arteriosclerosis and high blood pressure. More than nine million persons in the U. S. are estimated to have some form of cardiovascular-renal disease.

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Editorially Speaking This Editorial Writes Itself

Several months ago this page carried a chore concerning the medical profession and osteopaths. We thought it contained a few grains of practical horse-sense and was devoid of bias and prejudice. We espoused an approach to the solution of this problem made by the leaders of medical physicians and osteopaths, possibly involving the coalition of both groups.

Of course, an editor (first of all) should write stuff people read. Apparently that editorial was read widely, judged by the response. We were rawhided and "panned" by several, but most of the response was congratulatory. Letters came in from all over and signed by M. D.'s who approved at least the common-sense expressed. Opposed were those who feared such an open discussion of the subject in a bulletin produced by our County Medical Society. Naturally, when a guy signs his name to an article, it does not reflect any formal action on the part of our membership; it's just his own pipe-dream, for better or for worse.

In order to keep this discussion completely and totally free from personal animus or ignorance, let us ask a few questions:

Are osteopaths studying the right subjects and enough hours to be practicing medicine and surgery (the same as M. D.'s) which they are doing right now? To answer this question we would like to quote the Wisconsin Medical Journal for December, 1951.

Kirksville College of Osteopathy Pharmacology & Materia Medica			126	hours
Los Angeles School of Osteopathy Pharmacology & Materia Medica			288	hours
Kansas City College of Osteopathy Pharmaco-Dynamics Mat. Med. & Prescription Writing Clinical Pharmacology Applied Pharmacology		. 48 hours	258	hours
Chicago College of OsteopathyPharmacology			190	hours
University of Wisconsin Materia Medica	Lecture Lab	64 hours 48 hours	112	hours
Philadelphia College			180	hours

If one looks over this table without having a pre-formed idea, the answer is obvious. "But," he might say, "just putting in so many hours of inferior training doesn't prove anything. What about the other subjects studied?" There is a lot of truth in such a contention. But, let's look again at the "proof of the pudding" from the Wisconsin Medical Journal quoted above.

please see table on opposite page

From the foregoing, certain conclusions are patent, although everyone who interprets this data will arrive at slightly different end-results. However, probably it is best for each reader to make up his own mind on what inferences may be drawn from the facts presented. Perhaps the attitude in Wisconsin differs from that in Missouri, perhaps the results would be the same in Missouri, we don't know. At least, to those who want to think, and think honestly, this editorial writes itself.

VINCENT WILLIAMS, M. D.

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^{*}General Averages for the five physicians were recalculated in the Society's office and were found to be 85, 83, 85, 84, and 87, respectively.

Texas Osteopaths Entertain 56 Here for Examinations

Clipping from the FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

The Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons honored 56 examinees with a dinner meeting here Friday night.

The guests, 10 of whom are junior examinees, will complete their Texas Board of Medical Examiners tests here

Saturday.

Dr. Phil Russell, executive secretary of the association, pointed out the need for doctors in Texas and extended a welcome to them to join in the work in the state.

"But let me warn you, we want you to recognize your responsibility to the public," Russell said. "If you are just interested in making money, we don't

want you."

Russell also told the 56—members of a group of 312 taking the examinations here—that they were "full fledged physicians operating under the philosophy of osteopathy.

"It's the osteopathic school of medi-

cine.

"You have the same right to practice as any other school of medicine."

Represented in the group at the banquet at Dennie Harman's Restaurant were students and graduates of colleges in Chicago, Des Moines, Kansas City, Kirksville, Mo., and Philadelphia.

Examiners Entertained At Dinner

Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery

Leo D. Brubaker, Donald Lee Eakin, Homer M. Flora, Seaborn E. Jones, R. I. Kirwood, W. J. Legg, Jack W. McCorkle, Patricia Lynn Morrisson, Selden E. Smith, Donald Lee Smith, William M. Snow, John H. Burnett, Bernard A. Burton, Dorland A. DeShong, William R. Harris, Ned D. Krohn, Gene F. Mahaffey, Fred V. Parman, James E. Stephens, Anthony W. Villa, John H. Bullock, Harold E. Fannin, Loyd W.

Ficke, Helen M. Henery, Samuel P. Jones, Norbert Lane Kirk, Stephen F. Kubala, Sturgis Lyster, Thomas J. Mitchell, Donald R. Munroe, Richard O. Schneider.

Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery

Claude Lewis Booher, John Hamilton Boyd, Ray Lee Fischer, John B. Jones, Jr., Ervin J. Mareal, Irene J. Nowicki, Carol J. Sohns, William K. Bowden, Elbert P. Carlton, Robert B. Finch, Robert L. Hamilton, Robert G. Haman, Arthur A. Mauldin, Joe W. Rhoades, Robert J. Shields.

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Physicians Of Texas Attending Dinner Given For Examinees

Dr. George F. Pease, Dr. Roy B. Fisher, Dr. Phil R. Russell, Dr. Robert B. Beyer, Dr. Jerry O. Carr, Dr. Cathetine K. Carlton, Dr. George J. Luibel, Dr. V. L. Jennings, Dr. Noel G. Ellis, Dr. Edward L. LaCroix, Dr. Hugo J. Ranelle, Dr. J. C. Baker, Dr. Lynn Ford Fite, Dr. Max Flowers, Dr. Jack H. Woodrow, Dr. C. R. Packer, Dr. Daniel D. Beyer, Dr Clifford E. Dickey, all of Fort Worth.

Dr. George E. Miller and Dr. Carl

O. Haymes, both of Dallas.

Dr. Edgar A. Haynie, Richardson, Dr. Everett W. Wilson, Portland, Dr. R. H. Peterson, Wichita Falls, Dr. Russell L. Martin, Mt. Pleasant, Dr. Lester D. Lynch, Tyler, Dr. E. T. Gettins, Odessa, Dr. Ira F. Kerwood, McGregor, Dr. John G. Henery, Kansas City.

Letter of Appreciation

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Dear Dr. Russell:

I wish to take this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks to you and the Osteopathic Association for the cordial welcome and courtesy extended me during my recent visit to Fort Worth on the occasion of Board Examination.

I hope I shall have the opportunity of renewing our acquaintance on my anticipated visit to Fort Worth in the

near future.

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New Elections

WILMINGTON, DEL. (AOA)— The Delaware State Osteopathic Society elected Dr. George F. Nason of Wilmington as president for the ensuing year. Other officers named include Dr. John C. Bradford, vice-president; Dr. J. Ford Donohue, treasurer; and Dr. Arthur J. McKelvie, secretary.

DETROIT, MICH. (AOA)—Dr. Raymond D. Forsythe, team physician and head track coach at the University of Detroit, was chosen president-elect of the Central Collegiate Conference.

Dr. Forsythe was formerly team physician for the Brooklyn Dodgers, the Detroit Lions, and the Detroit Tigers.

MISSOULA, MONT. (AOA)—Dr. Asa Willard, a past president of the A.O.A., was recently elected president the Masonic Brotherhood. The brotherhood is composed of members of the Masonic and Eastern Star bodies of Missoula and western Montana.

RUTLAND, VT. (AOA)—Dr. Marian N. Rice of Windsor was re-elected president of the Vermont Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs at the state convention here.

MILWAUKEE, WIS. (AOA)—Dr. Carl V. Bleck of Milwaukee was chosen president-elect of the Wisconsin Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Dr. E. G. Anderson of Surgeons. Janesville was elected vice-president.

Antibiotics Safer Than Silver Nitrate For Babies' Eyes, Says Optometrist

PHILADELPHIA, PENNA. (AOA) -Dr. Bernard Witlin, Professor of Bacteriology at the Pennsylvania State College of Optometry, says that antibiotics such as penicillin are safer than silver nitrate in protecting the eyes of new-born babies.

Dr. Witlin said that antibiotics seem eliminate asceptic conjunctivitis, which sometimes develops as a result of using silver nitrate, he added.



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Michigan Doctors Boycotting Hospital Due to Osteopaths' Use

From the FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

BAY CITY, MICH., June 11—Cityowned General Hospital was boycotted by members of the Bay County medical profession Wednesday in a dispute over whether osteopaths should practice there.

The Bay County Medical Society and the Michigan Hospital Association joined forces in their battle against a city council ruling Monday to allow osteopaths use of the hospital facilities.

Members of the society began their boycott of the 150-bed hospital Tuesday within a few hours after the council's decision.

Physicians and surgeons said they would send no more patients to the institution. One doctor said "in several days this hospital will be a ghost institution."

Dr. A. L. Ziliak, society president, after an emergency meeting Tuesday, said "we are not walking out. We're being forced out to maintain our standing with our parent organization (the American Medical Association).

(In Chicago, where the American Medical Association is holding its annual convention, a spokesman said there is no national AMA policy on osteopaths.)

D. O.'s Staff Bay City General Hospital After M. D.'s Walk Out in Protest Over Council Decision

CHICAGO, ILL., JUNE 14—Dr. Hobert C. Moore, superintendent of the Bay City, Mich., Osteopathic Hospital, advised the national officers of the American Osteopathic Association that osteopathic physicians and surgeons of nearby cities have completely staffed the Bay City General Hospital. Earlier in the week the staff of medical doctors walked out following a decision of the municipal council to permit osteopathic physicians and surgeons to care for their patients in that tax-supported hospital.

"The various specialty departments of this 150-bed hospital are now staffed by doctors from similar departments of osteopathic hospitals in Bay City and neighboring cities," Dr. Floyd F. Peckham, President of the American Osteopathic Association and a practicing physician here, said tonight.

"The rights of the public in its own institution to choose its own physicians are evidently to be fought out in Bay City as an issue which has wide significance throughout the country," Dr. Peckham continued.

"The Bay County Medical Society, in boycotting the Bay City General Hospital and removing their patients from

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that city-owned hospital, and refusing to serve the citizens of Bay City who built and maintain the hospital, shows an almost unbelievable lack of concern for the rights and welfare of the people," asserted Dr. Peckham.

"It appears that the municipal government arrived at its decision to admit patients of osteopathic physicians and surgeons after an exhaustive survey of the local health needs and in the face of a boycott threat on the part of members of the local organization of doctors of medicine," Dr. Peckham stated.

"The M. D.'s defend themselves on the ground of coercion on the part of the American Medical Association. Any such out-of-state domination, however, was denied by a spokesman for the AMA as reported in the CHICAGO TRIBUNE.

"The public has expressed its confidence in the osteopathic profession by granting unlimited practice rights in the healing arts to Michigan osteopathic physicians and surgeons, which privileges and responsibilities they have enjoyed for many years," Dr. Peckham pointed out.

"There is a large number of osteopathic hospitals in Michigan staffed exclusively by osteopathic physicians and surgeons," Dr. Peckham pointed out. "While the Council had this matter under advisement, the Council members visited two osteopathic hospitals in Detroit.

"Both the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital, of 340 beds, and the Art Centre Hospital are staffed exclusively with osteopathic physicians, and have complete hospital facilities. Each gives service under the Blue Cross and Blue Shield health insurance plan.

"Evidently the Bay City's officials' observation of the operation and equipment of these osteopathic institutions confirmed their decision to authorize our doctors to practice in the city's own 150-bed hospital," the AOA president stated.

"No single school of medical practice has a monopoly on good medical care," Dr. Peckham observed. "It is evident that the needs of the public could best be served by the combined efforts of local representatives of both schools of medicine, thereby permitting residents of the Bay City area who are in need of hospitalization to benefit from the complete facilities provided by this municipally - owned institution," Dr. Peckham concluded.

BAY CITY, MICH., June 16—The City Council, in response to pressure, rescinded by a vote of 5 to 4 their former decision to open the municipally owned Bay City General Hospital to patients of osteopathic doctors.

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New Laurels

KIRKSVILLE, MO. (AOA)—Dr. Carl B. Umanzio, chairman of the department of bacteriology of the Kirksville College, was recently honored with membership in the Societe Mycologique de France, an international group devoted to the scientific study of mycology.

ARKANSAS CITY, KANS. (AOA) —Dr. L. E. Brenz, Sr., dean of the doctors of osteopathy in Kansas, was honored at a dinner for his 50 years of active practice here by the members of the South Central District of the Kansas Osteopathic Association.

MEDIAPOLIS, IA. (AOA)—Dr. H. M. Patterson was presented with the Silver Beaver award at the annual recognition dinner of the Southeast Council of the Boy Scouts of America. It is the Council's highest award and is annually given to two members who have performed extraordinarily meritorious service during the preceding years.

Washington News Letter

SOCIAL SECURITY RESTRICTED RETIREMENT FUND. Hearings on the Social Security Restricted Retirement Fund bills, HR. 4371 and HR. 4373, mentioned in my Washington News Letter of April 4 were held before the House Ways and Means Committee on May 13, 1952. The AOA Department of Public Relations submitted for the record a resolution adopted by the AOA Board of Trustees last December in favor of the proposed program in principle, together with related comments. As yet, the Committee has taken no further action on the bills.

OPTOMETRY. A bill, S. 106, revising the optometry law in the District of Columbia passed the Senate on May 7. The bill exempts D. O.s and M.D.s. There is no companion House measure although a Subcommittee of the House District Committee have completed hearings. No action has been taken by the full House Committee.

DOCTORS BONUS. S. 3019 (referred to in my Washington News Letter of April 18) extending the Armed Services doctor and dentist bonus of \$100 a month until July 1, 1953 passed the Senate on June 2, after beating off an opposition amendment by a vote of 50 to 4. Yesterday, the House Armed Services Committee favorably acted on the legislation, unanimously, and it is due for House approval at an early date.

ALASKA MENTAL HEALTH ACT. Today the House Committee on Intérior and Insular Affairs substituted HR. 8086 for HR. 4966 (mentioned in my Washington News Letter of March 8, 1952), and ordered the bill favorably reported to the House where it is scheduled to be acted on next Monday. The reason for substitution was that HR. 4966 was so riddled with amendments by the Committee on June 3 that a clean bill seemer advisable. Our requested osteopathic amendment to HR. 4966 was adopted by the Com-

mittee and incorporated in the original and reported prints of HR. 8086.

ARMED SERVICES RESERVE. HR. 5426, a bill reorganizing the Reserves of the Armed Services, passed the House on October 15, 1951, and was considered by a Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee on May 26, 1952. The AOA Department of Public Relations submitted a statement on two principal points, namely, that reservists in training for preparation for the practice of osteopathy be delayed in call to active duty until the completion of their professional training, and that the annual and quadrennial physical examinations of reservists be performed by civilian rather than military physicians, including physicians with the D. O. degree.

S. 2552. The Senate and House conferees on S. 2552 will hold their first conference meeting on Friday of this week to determine the fate of the House amendment clarifying the legal status of osteopathic candidates for commissions in the Medical Corps of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The Armed Services and the AMA are vociferously opposed to the amendment.

Our efforts to clear osteopathic appointments in the Medical Corps, Regular and Reserve, by way of the women physicians bill, S. 2552, died aborning. The Defense Department (temporarily) duped a majority of the Senate and House conferees, as witness the following excerpt from the Statement of the Conference Managers on the part of the House:

"The Senate conferees were of the opinion that it has been, and is, a policy of the Armed Forces to limit appointments in the Medical Corps of the services to persons who possess, among certain other qualifications, the degree of doctor of medicine. This policy is based on the administrative and professional ne-

cessity arising out of the very nature of military service.

"The matter of possible utilization of osteopathic physicians as members of the Medical Corps of the Armed Forces has been a subject of study by the Armed Forces Medical Policy Council and the Surgeons General, charged as they are with the preservation of the physical and mental health of the members of the Armed Forces. It has been considered that this responsibility cannot be discharged in the absence of fixed standards of preventive measures, diagnostic procedures, and

therapy.

The vital necessity for the fixed and uniform standards referred to above has precluded the use of two distinct therapeutic systems in the Armed Forces. This can be more fully appreciated when it is realized that under many situations—ashore, aboard ship, and with the Air Force —a lone medical officer's work and responsibilities include the entire gamut of medical practice: preventive medicine, neuro-psychiatry, the treatment and management of contagious diseases, the prescription and administration of therapeutic drugs and biologicals, operative surgery, and public health and sanitation. In view of these facts, doctors of osteopathy who do not also have the degree of doctor of medicine are not qualified for all the duties which all Medical Corps officers must be able to discharge in accordance with generally acceptable medical standards throughout our world-wide military service. At this time the Department of Defense is opposed to the use of osteopaths as such by the Armed Forces for the foregoing reasons.

"The Army-Navy Medical Service Corps Act of 1947 (Pub. Law 337, 80th Congress, 61 Stat. 734) would authorize the appointment of doctors of osteopathy in the medical service corps of the Army or Navy. However, at this time there is no requirement for osteopaths in the Armed Forces.

"The clear purpose of S. 2552 is to make full utilization of manpower resources in those fields in which there are acute shortages. This bill is intended to provide additional physicians, dentists, and other specialists for which there is an acute military need because of the expansion of the Armed Forces in the Therefore, it present emergency. would seem that an amendment which recognizes the status of osteopaths in the medical service should not be made a part of this bill. The House recedes.

When presenting the report to the House, Mr. Vinson of Georgia a conferee who was against the osteopathic amendment despite unanimous approval by the House, stated that separate legislation might be employed for the purpose "a little bit later."

Congressman Fred Crawford of Michigan took the conference statement apart in the Congressional Record of

June 17, as enclosed.

From the Congressional Record Proceedings and Debates of the 82nd Congress, Second Session

Commissioning Osteopathic Physicians In The Medical Corps

EXTENSION OF REMARKS of

Hon. Fred L. Crawford of Michigan In the House of Representatives

Tuesday, June 17, 1952
Mr. CRAWFORD. Mr. Speaker, under leave to extend my remarks in the RECORD, I should like to comment on the recent action of the Senate and House conferees in rejecting the clarifying osteopathic amendment which had been unanimously adopted by the House to S. 2552, a bill whereby the laws gov-

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erning male appointments in the medical service of the Army and Navy would apply equally to female applicants.

In my opinion, the House agreed to the conference report not for the reasons assigned in the conference report, but rather to avoid jeopardizing enactment of the remainder of the bill during the few remaining days of this session of Congress.

The conference report completely ignored the issue involved. The purpose of the amendment was to clarify existing legislation under which Congress already has authorized appointment of osteopathic graduates in the Medical Corps of the armed services. In 1946 by Public Law 604 Congress expressly authorized the President to appoint osteopathic graduates as commissioned medical officers in the Navy. That law is still on the statute books, but its implementation is clouded by a rider inserted in the doctor's incentive pay bill of 1947, Public Law 365, Eightieth Congress. The amendment to S. 2552, which the conferees rejected, would have removed that cloud.

Instead of dealing with that issue, the conference report dragged out the hackneyed and discredited allegations of the Defense Department that osteopathic education is inferior to medical education.

Congress had already repudiated that allegation in passing the 1946 act relating to the Medical Corps of the Navy, which I have mentioned.

As far back as 1929, in regulating the healing arts for the District of Columbia, Congress recognized the equivalency of medical and osteopathic education in Public Law 831 of the Seventieth Congress, by providing: "The degrees of doctor of medicine and doctor of osteopathy shall be accorded the same rights and privileges under governmental regulations."

The Veterans' Administration, in implementing Public Law 293 of the Seventy-ninth Congress which placed os-

teopathic graduates and medical graduates on the same plane in the Medical Service of the Department of Medicine and Surgery, has approved osteopathic education as being of the same preprofessional, professional, and hospital intern training standard as in the case of medical education.

Some three-fourths of the State legislatures take a different position than the Department of Defense. These States, in a number of which medical and osteopathic graduates take the same State board examination including the very subjects enumerated by the Department of Defense, license osteopathic graduates to practice all branches of the healing art including major surgery and drugs and the other subjects mentioned by the Department of Defense.

It has been called to my attention that the Wisconsin Medical Journal for December 1951 reports the standing of the first five medical doctors and the first five doctors of osteopathy examined for a State license to practice medicine and surgery in July 1951 and the osteopathic candidates made the higher grades.

The Department of Defense is out of step with Congress and the legislatures of the States in general and with the true facts when it denies the equivalence of medical and osteopathic education, and it performed a disservice to the members of the Armed Forces when it employed such a red herring to defeat the amendment to S. 2552.

The other reason assigned in the conference report for the rejection of the osteopathic amendment was that a more appropriate legislative vehicle for accomplishing the purposes of the amendment may be employed. The chairman of the Committee on Armed Services in presenting the conference report to the House stated that such a vehicle might be found a little bit later. It should be found now.

The doctors bonus law will get the reprieve mentioned in my Washington News Letter of April 18 and June 10. S. 3019, for the purpose, extends the law to July 1, 1953. The bill is before the President for signature. The bill provides incentive pay of \$100 a month for military doctors, including the Public Health Service, who enter the Service other than via the draft. . . The Social Security Act Amendments of 1952 bill. HR. 7800, may be devoid of any provisions preserving insurance rights of permanently and totally disabled by waiver of contributions, requiring physical examinations by physicians. As originally drawn the bill allowed the Federal Security Administrator to control the program of physical examinations. In that form, it was stopped by an initial vote of the House but passed the House in an essentially equivalent form which provided that the certifications would have to be made "as required", and of course the Federal Security Administrator would have been empowered to interpret that phraseology. However, the Senate Finance Committee has stricken that provision, Section 3, from the bill on the ground that there is not sufficient time remaining in this session for the Committee to give proper consideration to that phase of the legislation. The over-all definition of physician contained in the general provisions of the Social Security Act would have included osteopathic physicians for examination purposes in any event. The Senate Finance Committee has invited the House to resubmit the matter for subsequent consideration. . . The G. I. bill, HR. 7656, making servicemen who have served since June 27, 1950 eligible for veterans education rights has passed the House and has been favorably reported by the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, and the legislation is due to pass before the end of this session. The program envisioned by the bill is not as liberal as the World War II act, but it will serve as a very substantial incentive for veterans education enrollment

in our colleges. . . On June 25 the VA announced that post-Korea veterans who need outpatient treatment for disabilities that are presumed to have resulted from their service will be provided needed treatment by Veterans Administration until VA can determine whether their disabilities actually are service-connected. . . Physicians certifications of pregnancy for purposes of Selective Service are required to be more specific under revised regulations. Heretofore it was only required that there be filed "with the local board the certificate of a licensed physician stating that the child has been conceived". There has now been added to the regulations the following: "the probable date of its delivery, and the evidence upon which his positive diagnosis is based." The regulation, Sec. 1622.30 (c) (2) was revised by Executive Order 10363, filed in the Federal Register June 17, 1952. ... S. 2337, the bill reactivating an EMIC program is due to receive action by the Senate Committee on Labor and

EMIC program is due to receive action by the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare before adjournment. . . A new Nurses Education Aid bill, HR. 8087, is pending before the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. . . The President's Commission on Health Needs has scheduled a panel discussion of medical research and education to which an osteopathic physician informed in those fields will be invited. The Commission is required to render its report by the end of 1952.

"Don't Tell Children It Won't Hurt" Says Iowa Child Health Director

DES MOINES, IA. (AOA)—Children about to be immunized should not be told the prick of the needle won't hurt, but instead should be given a realistic approach to the procedure.

This advice was given to Iowa esteopathic physicians at their 54th annual convention by Dr. Madelene Donnelly, director of the division of maternal and child health of the state department of

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AUXILIARY NEWS

Auxiliary District 2

Dallas Osteopathic Hospital Guild was hostess at the open house held there on National Hospital Day. Punch, coffee, and donuts were served to visitors, and single gardenias were presented to the ladies. Floral selections were received from several florists, business firms, and friends of the hospital.

Mrs. Robert E. Morgan, our national auxiliary president, was honored with an appreciation luncheon on May 22. The event was held at the Lakewood Country Club, with Mrs. J. C. Calabria and Mrs. J. N. Stewart as hostesses. A gift of rhinestone jewelry was presented to Maude as a token of esteem. Thirtyfive (35) members of the local auxiliary were present.

JUNE LUTZ (Mrs. Robert F.) Secretary, D.O.H. Guild

Auxiliary District 6

Harris county auxiliary is on the look out for two used baby beds, in immediate demand at their hospital. Anyone wanting to donate same please contact Mrs. William Badger 815 West Gray, Houston, Texas.

Doing a good public relations job, Teenie Alexander and Wanda Hess visiting the Committee in charge of the recent Houston Polio Clinics and offering the volunteer services of members of the Harris County Auxiliary. We hear they were accepted and got to work right away.

John and Nell Donovan of Austin in town June 25 celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary with Reg and Cecile Platt. Dinner at the Shamrock and a huge bouquet of white peonies (Nell's favorite) were the order of the day.

Justin and Louise Adams about to become grandparents—by end of July to be exact.

The J. J. Choates back from an extensive tour through six states, enabling them to take in Carlsbad Caverns, Pikes Peak, the Grand Canyon and the wonderful Redwoods in Sequoia National Park. Also Earl and Betty Reed back from a three week trip to New Mexico —lots of fishing for them.

CECILE PLATT, Reporter

Tilley To Give A. T. Still Memorial Lecture At 56th Annual Convention In Atlantic City

CHICAGO, ILL. (AOA) — This year's Andrew Taylor Still Memorial Lecture, a tradition at AOA annual conventions, will be given by Dr. R. Mc-Farlane Tilley, Wednesday, July 18, at 11:15 a. m.

On September 1 Dr. Tilley will become chairman of the department of osteopathic medicine at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery.

At present Dr. Tilley is chairman of the AOA's Council on Education and a member of the Healing Arts Advisory Committee to Selective Service. He is a past president of the American Osteopathic Association and holder of its distinguished service certificate.

Iowa Underwriters Urge Use of D. O.'s for Medical Examiners

DES MOINES, IA. (AOA)—The Iowa Association of Life Underwriters voted unanimously, at its recent annual meeting, to recommend to their member companies the use of osteopathic physicians for medical examinations, the WEEKLY UNDERWRITER announces.

The Iowa Quarter Million Dollar Club, a major insurance group with national affiliations, recently adopted a similar resolution and had urged the association to take the same action.

NEWS OF THE DISTRICTS

DISTRICT ONE

Dr. John Costello, Los Angeles, California, and Dr. E. E. Ludwig, Rochester, Michigan, were principal speakers at the month's staff meeting of the Groom Osteopathic Hospital, at Groom, Texas, Tuesday, June 10. The meeting featured the class held by Dr. Vick in Vascular Surgery and 32 guests were entertained at the dinner preceding the meeting. Dr. Costello followed his talk on vascular surgery with original films in sound and color of surgeries he has done at the Los Angeles County Osteopathic Hospital. Dr. Ludwig gave a most interesting and informative talk on the problems and management of Osteopathic Hospitals. Visiting doctors for the occasion were: Drs. A. E. Loeffler. Paramus, New Jersey; Glenn Miller, Oklahoma City; Hugo Ranelle, Fort Worth; C. A. Kincaid, Oxford, Kansas; George T. Haymen, Doylestown, Pa.; Miles Jermanovich, New Carlysle, Ohio; E. M. Iverson, Gallup, New Mexico; L. J. Vick, Glenn Scott, Maxfield and Weir, of Amarillo.

Taking time out to fish the last part of June, Dr. John L. Witt and his family are catching the big ones at Lake Texhoma.

Dr. J. H. Kritzler and Mrs. Kritzler roared with the rest of the Lions at the convention in El Paso the last of May.

Dr. John L. Prendergast, formerly of Kit Carson, Colorado, is getting firmly established in Panhandle. We visited his new office building now being decorated in Panhandle, and his plans are indicating some really nice new quarters.

Dr. Bob Tyler, Amarillo, now with Dr. Paul Roberts at Panhandle.

Dr. John V. London and his family are heading for the National Convention in Atlantic City in July.

Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital has initiated or inducted three new internes: Dr. Sue Fisher, Dr. J. H. Brown, and Dr. James R. Kirk.

Dr. Don Weir has returned from a convention trip to Washington State, where he addressed the convention on

anesthesiology and X-ray.

Dr. Lester Vick has just completed his annual Post Graduate course. Dr. John Costello of Los Angeles conducted the course in Peripheral Vasculas Diseases. Dr. E. E. Ludwig ably assisted Dr. Vick in the lecture and surgical portion of the Proctology section. Dr. Maurice Vick of Loveland, Colo., assisted during the second week.

I guess all the guys and gals are planning to vacate this summer, but aren't making much talk as to where and when. One sure thing is that Dr.

E. W. Cain will go fishin'!

DISTRICT TWO

Miss Patricia Ann Miller, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. S. Miller, Fort Worth, was installed as Worthy Advisor of North Fort Worth-Tarrant Assembly No. 126, Order of the Rainbow for Girls, in a public ceremony at 8 p. m., June 7 in Tarrant Masonic Lodge.

Miss Miller is a May graduate of Arlington Heights High School, and plans to enter NTSC, Denton, in the

tall.

Miss Barbara Miller, sister of Patricia, was installed as Worthy Associate Advisor, and will be installed as Worthy Advisor in October.

Both girls will be Grand Pages at Grand Assembly to be held in Fort

Worth, June 15-18.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert H. Lorenz are the proud parents of a new baby boy, weighing 7 lbs., 13 oz. Mother and baby are doing splendidly.

DISTRICT THREE

Everyone seems to be vacationing or planning one—or haven't yet recovered from one. Hence there is a marked paucity of news this month, at least of a printable nature. Dr. and Mrs. C.C. Rahm of Tyler attended an Independence Day dance at the Bellwood Country Club. It was extremely hot but Dr. Rahm said he didn't feel it much. Dr. J. G. and Mrs. Brown also attended and seem no worse for wear.

Dr. and Mrs. Bernard W. Jones, Mineola, Texas, are visiting in Des Moines, Iowa. Business is popping in the OB department in his absence, I hear.

The new wing of the Big Sandy Hospital is still not quite complete but should be ready for use soon. Dr. Bragg is developing a very irritating headache from listening to the hammers—hope he can stick it out until the furniture is in. He, too, recently had to vacate for a few days but it took two days before he could finally get started.

Dr. H. G. Grainger reports the death of Mrs. Grainger's father recently.

The Gafney Hospital has postponed staff meetings for the vacation season and during hot weather. I miss those pre-meeting visits at the secretary's house so much too.

Drs. T. Hagan, Longview, Texas; Wayne Smith, Jacksonville, Texas; Burr Lacey, Quitman, Texas; R. L. Martin, M. L. Cline and John S. Kennedy, Mt. Pleasant, Texas; C. List, Troup, Texas; Wm. Cooper, Brownsboro, Texas; Ralph Kull and Earl Stuart, Winnsboro, Texas; J. Turner, Canton, Texas; and E. Kinzie, Lindale (the Blackberry Capital of East Texas); will all be very happy this month to see their names in print in the District 3 news-so now whyinell don't ya send me some. You know what everyone suspects when the quiet gets so thick.

What is this story I hear about Dr. Phil Russell of Fort Worth training up to become a South Sea Island District

Judge?

'Tis rumored that Drs. W. Coats and

Chas. Bragg are getting rich.

Dr. J. G. Brown recently recounted a story about the patient that called on him with multiple lacerations, a black eve and a couple of stray glass cuts in his clothing but who refused absolutely to give any history. After a patient and careful patching and bandaging of the patient, some of his reticence thinned out and he asked the doctor the amount of the bill. Dr. Brown told him the amount and the patient was somewhat alarmed at its height, but paid. He then said, "You know-I just figured a way to make a million dollars." Dr. Brown said, "How?" The patient muttered, "Invent a belt buckle that won't rattle."

Dr. L. D. Lynch has a new classification for certain patients: "Elective

Emergency."

Dr. H. R. Coats is currently spending his afternoon leisure time practicing "Chinatown"—on his new Hammond Organ. It helps soothe away the frustration he has had for years in not being able to obtain a genuine heatherwood

bagpipe.

Nearly any old-timer can recall a little kitchen table surgery—his own or some he saw. However, Dr. K. E. Ross is one of the few that can claim the distinction to having been a patient on one. It progressed quite well, too, until the barber shears got too slick, the eyelash tweezers failed to hold and the procaine ran out. However an emergency consultation was called and, while the hemostasis was rather crude, it finally healed. Ask Dr. Rahm—he remembers more of the deTAILS.

Dr. W. K. Bowden, Kirksville graduate, has opened his office at Overton, Texas, and is also serving Carlisle, Texas, as physician three times weekly.

Nacogdoches, Texas, is recently reported as a good location for an Osteopathic physician. For details, write to the Pool-Perkins Drug Store, Nacogdoches, Texas. All the D. O.s that formerly practiced in Nacogdoches have

done very well financially and the Dora Garrison Memorial Hospital, 20 miles distant, is an Osteopathic institution. Appears possible that considerable service could be rendered in that area, as Dr. James Bone (Garrison Hospital) has a very strenuous practice and another D. O. nearby should be of mutual benefit

Dr. Chas. Ogilvie, now with the Stevens Park Hospital, Dallas, was caring for Dr. J. D. Bone's practice in Garrison, last week. Dr. Bone was strenuously vacationing in California—visiting his brother — something homeopathic about that. Never could understand how you could cure exhaustion with more fatigue.

Dr. and Margaret Coats are attending the Operettas at Dallas, every two weeks. The Coats Brown Hospital observed Independence Day—three majors in the morning—two OBs in the PM several fishing plans were ruptured.

For a neurologic specialist (by appointment), Dr. H. G. Grainger, of Tyler, has the most devious approach. 'Frinstance, that multiple fracture—Sunday morning, too—that Dr. Gafney so laboriously screwed back together. 'Spose H. G. G. can really tell this soon whether it was the median, ulnar, or musculospiral that had the most involvement? Another fishing tour permanently incarcerated by the passing of time.

DISTRICT FOUR

Dr. Elmer Baum, Dr. George Miller, and State Senator Dorsey B. Hardeman sparked the first meeting of the year for District 4 in San Angelo, June 8.

Elmer outlined the year's program and clarified organization points of interest. George gave us pathology and in return he 'ran' an oil well drilling for an hour before the meeting. George, that last instrument going down is a Totco—it is used to check, amazingly accurately, the angle of the drilling. With a deviation from the vertical of

more than four to six degrees, many wells have to be abandoned. The recording is done at different levels by a stylographic device which is accurate at any depth. Mrs. Baum and Mrs. Miller were also welcomed.

Senator Hardeman, ablest defender of constitutional government in our state senate, outlined objections to alarming sections of the Document on Human Rights in the United Nations charter. He pointed out that these so-called 'rights' might better be called the 'Document on Human Slavery'. If you want something to make you wonder just what is going on in the plans for a 'better' world, then hear Dorsey Hardeman—with the facts!

Dr. Glynn Raley, of Miles, graduated from Des Moines the first of the month, and with all possessions, returned to the big state for State Board exams. He will be interning with the Blackwoods after July 15.

Dr. and Mrs. Willcutt and children of Rankin are newcomers in the district. Bring us a little rain, friend, and you may stay a long time. It's so dry out here now that a man will take a drink of water with most anyone.

Jackie Rountree presented Wiley with a son June 26. The young man weighed 11 pounds and has been named Randolph Winston.

Mrs. B. B. Jaggers is recovering nicely from her recent surgery. She had a pulmonic valvulotomy at Baylor Hospital. According to medical records there has been only one other older than she to have the same surgery.

Drs. Fred and Laura Auwers visited in Odessa with the Drs. Gettins. They were on their way to Oregon, where they plan to open practice.

Dr. Ray Hubbard and family of Roby visited in Odessa recently.

Clarence Booher, K.C.O.S. student, received word that he passed the Florida Basic Science Board.

Robert McCorkle and family visited Drs. Norman and V. Mae Leopold this

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past week. Bob has just finished his first year at K.C.C.O.S.

Henry Hensley, senior student at K.C.O.S., has been visiting his sister in Odessa. He comments that the Texas students enjoy receiving THE JOURNAL each month.

DISTRICT SEVEN

The doctors in Austin were very much honored in the middle of June by a visit from Dr. A. A. Choquette from Kansas City. The meeting was held in Dr. B. C. Richards' office June 9, 1952. Dr. Choquette presented a series of slides and a most interesting talk on Genito-Urinary diseases. The meeting was enjoyed by all present.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Love spent their vacation in California visiting relatives. While there Dr. Love attended the

California State Convention.

The last meeting of District 7 was held at the Stowell-Beckwith Clinic in San Antonio, June 29, 1952. Mr. George, inspector for the State Board of Pharmacy, gave a very interesting talk on some phases of Medical and Pharmaceutical law. A representative of Squibb Company presented a film on the therapeutic use of Tolserol. This was followed by a short business meeting.

Dr. W. D. Schaefer spent a couple of days in Houston renewing old ac-

quaintances.

Dr. William J. Mosheim who has been associated with Stowell-Beckwith Clinic the past year and a half opened offices at 3339 Fredericksburg Road. He will conduct general practice.

Dr. R. L. Brock from Granbury spent a few days in San Antonio. Dr. Brock is associated with Granbury

General Hospital.

Dr. R. L. Wascher spent his vacation in Corpus Christi and Port Aransas.

The monthly staff social and educacational meeting of the San Antonio Osteopathic Hospital was held at Dr. I. T. Stowell's residence. Dr. W. R. Jenkins who has been in practice with Dr. J. C. Williamson for the past few months has opened a separate office at 1617 South New Braunfels. His wife, Dr. Constance I. Jenkins, will practice with him. Prior to their arrival in San Antonio she was doing general practice in Atlanta, Mo. SECRETARY-TREASURER. District 7

DISTRICT EIGHT

A special meeting of district 8 was held in Brownsville at the Landrum's Restaurant on Saturday, June 7, 1952. Plans were instituted to organize a separate district for the Valley, since it is so far from Corpus Christi and the remainder of district 8 members felt that it would be advisable to have their own district in the Valley. It was suggested that this organization be called district 11. Those attending this meeting from Corpus Christi were Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Schultz and Dr. and Mrs. Merle Griffin.

On Monday, June 9, 1952, a special called executive committee meeting of the Corpus Christi Osteopathic Hospital accepted the resignation of the superintendent of the hospital, Mrs. S. E. Welch.

The Nueces Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons met in regular session Friday, June 13, in the Driscoll Hotel, at which time a special preview showing of a moving picture entitled "The Treatment of Criminal Alcoholic Antabuse" was shown. This picture was very enlightening and educational to the members.

Dr. R. J. Brune and family are vacationing in Colorado and points beyond until June 30. Also, Dr. T. M. Bailey left Corpus Christi June 19 to return June 27.

Dr. and Mrs. D. Alfred De Shong are in Corpus Christi. Dr. De Shong will begin a one year internship in the Corpus Christi Hospital June 1, as will Dr. Bernard A. Burton, who, with Mrs. Burton, arrived the past week in Corpus

Christi. Both doctors came to Texas to finish the State Board examination held in Fort Worth this month.

Dr. C. R. Woolsey was elected president of Corpus Christi Osteopathic Hospital at the annual board meeting Thursday night, June 5, 1952 in the Robert Driscoll Hotel. Dr. T. M. Bailey, re-

tiring president, presided.

Other officers elected were R. B. King, vice president, and Dr. Merle Griffin, reelected secretary-treasurer. Dr. R. J. Brune was elected to the board of directors and R. A. Humble and Dr. Merle Griffin were reelected. Other board members are T. E. Bailey, J. A. Kimmey and E. B. Shellenberger.

DISTRICT NINE

District 9 held its regular meeting June 11, 1952 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Willis Crews in Gonzales, Texas. Dr. and Mrs. Heberle from Gonzales and Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd from El Campo were guests. Dr. Heberle is an optometrist and Mr. Boyd a junior from Kirksville.

Officers elected for the coming year; Dr. Robert L. Morehead, president; Dr. Richard L. Stratton, president elect; Dr. J. V. Money, vice president; and Dr. Alan J. Poage, secretary-treasurer.

Dr. and Mrs. Harry Tannen and sons from Weimar were in Cleveland, Ohio, at the time of the meeting.

Mrs. T. D. Crews accompanied Mrs. E. R. Gustafson of Gonzales to Colorado.

Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Mills and family spent the first part of June in Iowa.

Our sympathy to Mrs. Carl Stratton and family in her bereavement. Her mother, Mrs. McKee, passed away the last week in June at her home in Cuero.

Charles Poage, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Poage has been home on leave from the Army at Baltimore, Md. The Poage's all went out on a charted shrimp boat in San Antonio Bay out of Seadrift bright and early June 29 full of anticipation. By actual count 150 trout and

reds were brought in. They were still biting good when they stopped fishing. Only reason they didn't bring more they failed to take ice along for any more. That will not happen again in the next hundred years.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Dr. & Mrs. D. M. Mills,

in Victoria.

A. J. POAGE, D. O., Secretary

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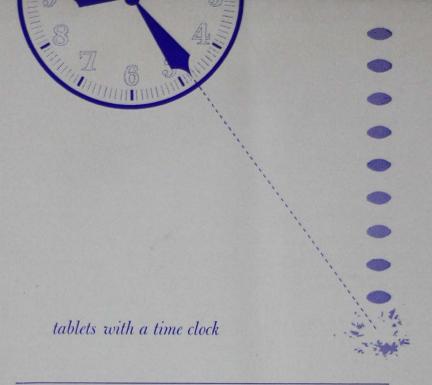
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