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EDITORIAL PAGE

The world is built on Friendship! Only so often as we are friendly to our neighbors and associates may we expect friendliness in return. Yes; there are those who are greedy and selfish; and desire the world for themselves, but desire for power;—desire for supremacy are only part of the survival picture. We have been too arrogant toward our *colleagues*! We have been too critical of their shortcomings—We cannot expect each and everyone to agree all the time—We should not expect an acceptance of each dictum without argument! Only in disagreement and new ideas will we make progress;—only in new viewpoints will we gain ultimate goals—What are our goals?—What are our objectives?—Monetary?—No! Political?—No! Dictatorial?—No! Our goals—Our objectives, are Service and understanding! Service to the ideals we know to be right and understanding of the shortcomings of our associates.

This story always comes to mind when speaking of friendships and Service—A certain individual had attended church every Sunday for six months and no one ever made the effort to speak to him; let alone shake hands with him—so this particular Sunday he said to himself; “Well, By golly, if someone doesn’t shake hands with me this Sunday, I’m going to shake hands with somebody.” He did, and from then on was an honored member of the congregation.—

We need this type of philosophy—We need to shake hands with somebody, with everybody, and thereby create an organization that is unified—an organization that is imbued with a single purpose—that of Service. Service to humanity. THEN we have an organization.

MERLE GRIFFIN, D. O.

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Resume of the Minutes of the House of Delegates The Gunter Hotel, Wednesday and Thursday April 29-30, 1953



LESTER I. TAVEL, D. O.
Speaker of the House of Delegates
1953-1954



ROBERT H. LORENZ, D. O.
Speaker of the House of Delegates
1952-1953
Vice Speaker 1953-1954

House called to order at 9:30 a.m.
by Speaker Dr. Robert H. Lorenz of
Dallas, Texas.

Invocation was given by Dr. Wiley
B. Rountree of San Angelo, Texas.

Speaker Dr. Robert H. Lorenz then
appointed the following committees:

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Dr. J. Natcher Stewart, *Chairman*
Dr. Wayne M. Smith
Dr. G. G. Porter
Dr. A. R. McKinney

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDER

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COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Dr. Howard R. Coats, *Chairman*
Dr. Lige C. Edwards
Dr. J. J. Schultz

Sergeant at arms: Dr. John S. Turner

The Credentials Committee reported
and the following delegates were seated:

DELEGATES

Dr. J. Francis Brown, Amarillo
Dr. John L. Witt, Groom
Dr. E. W. Cain, Amarillo
Dr. J. Gordon Stewart, Clarendon

DISTRICT TWO

Dr. Lester L. Hamilton, Fort Worth
Dr. Sherman P. Sparks, Rockwall
Dr. Henry A. Spivey, Dallas
Dr. J. N. Stewart, Dallas
Dr. Robert E. Morgan, Dallas
Dr. Lloyd N. McAnally, Fort Worth
Dr. R. H. Peterson, Wichita Falls
Dr. Charles E. Still, Jr., Dallas
Dr. Howard G. Buxton, Fort Worth
Dr. George J. Luibel, Fort Worth
Dr. William H. Van de Grift, Dallas

DISTRICT THREE

Dr. Howard R. Coats, Tyler
Dr. Wayne M. Smith, Jacksonville
Dr. Charles H. Bragg, Big Sandy
Dr. John S. Turner, Canton

DISTRICT FOUR

Dr. Wiley B. Rountree, San Angelo
Dr. W. D. Blackwood, Comanche

DISTRICT SIX

Dr. G. W. Tompson, Houston
Dr. Lester I. Tavel, Houston
Dr. J. R. Alexander, Houston
Dr. John Ralph Cunningham, Houston
Dr. R. O. Brennan, Houston

Dr. J. Natcher Stewart moved, seconded by Dr. Wayne Smith, that the delegates listed be seated, and it was *carried*.

Dr. Lorenz introduced Dr. Elmer C. Baum, president, Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, who delivered an extensive address to

the delegates and made the following recommendations to the House:

1. Reemphasize the necessity of implementing a professional and public welfare program, first with the profession and then to the public.

2. Inform membership of the vital needs of volunteer workers or the osteopathic profession will become static and deteriorate.

3. Establish and improve a mutual relationship with the State Medical Association, State Dental Association, State Bar Association and other related organizations.

4. Reappraise our present status; continue to render the best possible service in our community and assume our rightful duties as a citizen in our community.

5. As a physician and a citizen each one of us should make tangible contributions to our community.

The Speaker called for a report of the executive secretary of the minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes having been published and presented to members of the House, Dr. Rountree moved, seconded by Dr. Spivey, that the minutes be approved as printed. This motion *carried*.

The Speaker called for a report of the executive secretary. This report having been printed, Dr. Peterson moved, seconded by Dr. L. C. Edwards, that Dr. Russell, executive secretary, epitomize the highlights of his report.

The Speaker recognized Dr. Joseph

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L. Love for a resolution which was presented, as follows:

"BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Delegates of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons instruct all officers and committee members of the Association to act only in their private capacity in all matters concerning partisan politics and in no instance should the name of the Association be used in endorsing or opposing any matter of partisan politics which does not directly affect the Association."

The Chair requested Dr. Peterson, Dr. Buxton and Dr. Bragg to render their opinion as to the constitutionality of this resolution. They reported that they saw nothing out of order in the resolution. It is simply a reiteration of policy. This brought about considerable discussion and, due to the fact that the House was not acquainted with the reason for this resolution, Dr. Rountree,

seconded by Dr. Luibel, moved that it be tabled, and this motion *carried*.

Dr. Robert J. Brune, Chairman of Committee on Manual of Procedure, requested the floor for the adoption of the report of the Manual of Procedure as presented, calling attention of the House that its adoption would affect many actions of the House.

Dr. Tavel moved, seconded by Dr. Van de Grift, that the Manual of Procedure as printed be adopted with the proviso that—

"If the constitutional amendments as proposed by the Committee on Constitution and By-laws are accepted, the Manual be changed to fit the constitutional amendments as adopted. This *carried*."

The Chair called for the report of the Department of Professional Affairs. Dr. Robert E. Morgan, Chairman, called upon Dr. Robert J. Brune to give a report on the Bureau of Organizations. Dr. Brune recommends that this Association establish a policy in regard to the organizations requesting affiliated status with the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons be predicated upon

1. Membership of individuals of the affiliated organization in the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

2. The requirement in the bylaws of the affiliated organization that it be required to hold its annual membership meeting in the place of, at the time of, immediately before, immediately after, and/or in conjunction with the annual convention of the TAOP&S, and that the registrants at the affiliated organization meetings be required to be registered at the annual convention of the TAOP&S; or in lieu of conjunction meetings that at least fifty (50) per cent of the membership of the affiliated organization must have been bona fide registrants at the preceding convention of TAOP&S.

3. That the organization seeking affiliate status evidence their intention of

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cooperating with the TAOP&S and their amenability to reasonable instructions for achieving same.

There was considerable discussion over this problem indulged in by Dr. J. R. Alexander, Dr. Sam Sparks, Dr. Robert E. Morgan, Dr. Howard Coats and the executive secretary, following which Dr. Peterson moved the adoption of the resolution recommendations, seconded by Dr. Wayne Smith, and it *carried*.

The annual report of the Membership Committee, Bureau of Organizations by Dr. Robert H. Lorenz as Chairman.

Dr. Lorenz reported that the membership was the highest on record, and made the following recommendation:

"That the district society be directed to notify the membership committee and state office immediately of the location of a new osteopathic physician in their locality."

Dr. Blackwood moved, seconded by Dr. Alexander, and this *carried*.

Annual report of the Committee on AOA Membership was given by Dr. Van de Grift. Dr. Van de Grift reported that the AOA membership of the Texas Association was at the highest level in its history.

All recommendations of this committee were referred to AOA delegates, who are by the AOA constitution delegated as a membership committee dealing with the AOA.

Annual report of the Committee on Editorials was called for and given by the executive secretary.

The report of the Committee on Constitution and By-laws was submitted by Dr. R. H. Peterson.

Amend Article X—Committees, Section 1 A. 3 (b) and (c), Department of Professional Affairs—Bureau of Professional Development by combining "Facilities" and "Exhibitors" into one committee.

Dr. Peterson moved the adoption, seconded by Dr. Brown, and *carried*.

The Committee submitted an amendment to Article X—Committees, Section

1 B. 2.—Department of Professional Affairs—Bureau of Organizations by deleting "Membership of A. O. A."

Dr. Peterson moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Smith, and it *carried*.

The Committee submitted an amendment to Article X—Committees, Section 1, B. 3 and 4, Department of Public Affairs, Bureau of Professional and Public Welfare by deleting "Vocational Guidance" and "Educational Literature" and inserting in lieu thereof "Osteopathic Education."

Dr. Peterson moved the adoption, seconded by Dr. Rountree, and it *carried*.

The Committee submitted an amendment to amend Article X—Committees, Section 1 B. 1 and 7—Department of Public Affairs—Bureau of Professional and Public Welfare by combining "Newspapers" and "Radio" into one committee.

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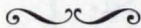
SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

- 2:00 p.m.
to Hospital Office Management
- 3:30 p.m. Mr. E. C. Barron
- 3:30 p.m.
to The Osteopathic Hospital as Seen by Insurance
Companies
- 5:00 p.m. Dr. Phil Russell
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner—Round Table—General Hospital
Problems
Mr. E. C. Barron, Moderator

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

- 10:00 a.m.
to Hospital Finances—Building for the Future.
- 11:30 a.m. Mr. E. C. Barron
- 11:30 a.m. The Increasing Importance of Tissue Studies.
Dr. Geo. Miller
- 12:30 p.m. Luncheon
- 1:30 p.m. Business meeting

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Osteopathic Physicians Appearing Before The Texas State Board of Medical Examiners for Examination

The Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons entertained 40 prospective Texas DOs at the Worth Hotel, Tuesday, June 23, at dinner.

This was an enthusiastic group of young practitioners, all interested in practicing in Texas. They were muchly impressed with the hospitality of the Texas Association and we shall look forward to having them with us in their active practice.

Those taking the examination were:

KANSAS CITY COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHY AND SURGERY:

First Half

Beck, Raymond Edward
Buell, Charles R.
Haven, Haral Raymond
Kennedy, Forrest Lynn
Knight, Emery Ray, Jr.
Lee, Marcus Leroy
Mann, Maurice Dean
Mann, Raymond Edward
Phillips, Ross Ware
Tamez, Ricardo Jose
Whittle, Thomas W.
Woo, Daniel
Young, Andrew Roland

Full

Bennett, Morris Francis
Bennett, Thomas Edward
Boling, Frederick William
Eakin, Donald Lee
Ganz, Samuel Bernard
Helfrey, Richard Berard
Russell, John Frederick
Werhan, Charles Eugene

Last Half

Flora, Homer Nusbaum, Jr.
Legg, William John
Lyons, Calvin Joseph
McCorkle, Jack Warren
Moates, John Byrd
Smith, Crews Z.
Trawick, Paul Eugene

KIRKSVILLE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHY AND SURGERY:

First Half

Matthews, David D.

Full

Benner, Henry Irwin
Cowger, John Leland

Last Half

Hensley, Henry
Noren, Rene Joan
Petermeyer, Bruce Edward
Valdivia, Rodolfo Carlos

DES MOINES STILL COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHY AND SURGERY:

Full

Hall, Kenneth Ferrell
Nash, Gerard Karron
Nystrom, Leonard Clark
Voorhees, John Allen
Walters, Earl Vance

The following 20 osteopathic physicians from the city of Fort Worth attended the meeting to welcome these students to Texas:

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 Dr. John C. Baker
 Dr. William Snow
 Dr. Keith Hull
 Dr. P. D. Graham
 Dr. A. L. Karbach
 Dr. Noel G. Ellis
 Dr. Phil R. Russell

The Houston Osteopathic Hospital was represented by Dr. Richard O. Brennan.

Dr. Palmore Currey Honored

A newspaper article from Mt. Pleasant states that the City Council appointed Dr. Palmore Currey to the place of the City Health Officer of that city.

We congratulate Dr. Currey on this appointment.

Correspondence From Europe HOTEL SCHWEIZERHOFF BERN

J. Gauer

Dear Dr. Phil:

Arrived here this afternoon to meet my wife who came in from Rome.

Have had some excellent hours at the University of Lousanne in Lousanne, Switzerland and through my contacts there intend to exploit some others there in Bern.

So far have been asked for no credentials and find that by keeping my mouth shut and avoiding people who

speak too good English I get along very well.

Best wishes.

s/Pat. Philben

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PARK HOTEL, LINZ, AUSTRIA

Linz, Austria

June 10, 1953

Dear Phil:

Just a few lines to send greetings from Austria. Have just returned from Vienna, where I have been for the past several days with Professor Dr. Antonie of the University Clinic. There I have been studying his methods for the early detection and diagnosis of carcinoma of the cervix. He uses a calpomicroscope, an invention of his own which is not as yet available to doctors in America and won't be for a year or more. The tissues are stained much in the same manner as the pathologist stains his specimen. Then the cervix is studied with the calpomicroscope. You can see the cancer cells with no difficulty when they are present. In this manner you can locate and diagnose cancer of the cervix on the patient without a biopsy. Of course biopsy is taken for confirmation for the record but by this means it ceases to be a hit and miss proposition as it is without the use of the calpomicroscope. As soon as I get my photographs in order I will have a nice story for you about this method. We have been doing microphotography of these cases and I am sure you will find them very interesting.

The surgical work is going fine. We have a tremendous volume of everything, and I am so happy that I came over to get this training.

Enclosed a check for my dues.

Drop me a letter and let me know how everything is going.

Sincerely
s/ Winslow

July, 1953

Important Changes In The Medical Practice Act of Texas

The Fifty-third Legislature which recently adjourned, passed a bill known as House Bill Number 254. It radically changed our Medical Practice Act and put some teeth in the new law.

1. Most important change gave the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners the power to revoke a physician's license. The Board of Medical Examiners is not bound by strict rules of evidence or procedure in the conduct of its proceedings, but the determination shall be founded on sufficient legal evidence to sustain it. A doctor has the right to appeal in the Courts.
2. The Texas State Board of Medical Examiners shall have the right to institute an action in its own name to enjoin the violation of any of the provisions of this Act. Said action for an injunction shall be in addition to any other action proceeding or remedy authorized by law.
3. This Law went into immediate effect, June 13, 1953.
4. The definition of the practice of medicine was strengthened by adding the word 'diagnose', which heretofore was not included. This strengthens our filing of cases in the local Courts.
5. The new Law requires all licensed doctors to register with the Board annually on January 1st. Heretofore, non-residents or out-of-state doctors, of which there are about 2,500, were not required to register. This is compulsory whether a physician is practicing or not.
6. The registration fee was raised from Two Dollars to Five Dollars. The Texas State Board of Medical Examiners has in the past been handicapped for lack of money to hire investigators in sufficient number to do a good job. We have

in the past had only two investigators to cover the entire state.

7. The fee for examination was raised from Twenty-five Dollars to Fifty Dollars.
8. The fee for reciprocity was raised from Fifty Dollars to One Hundred Dollars.
9. It provided for the Board to charge Ten Dollars for a temporary permit, Ten Dollars for a duplicate

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license, and Ten Dollars for endorsement of application to other states.

10. It requires all interns and residents in the state of Texas to register with the Board of Medical Examiners and pay an annual fee of One Dollar on July 1st of each year. At the present time we have no check on the number of interns and residents in Texas.

BIRTHS

May 29, 1953, Dr. and Mrs. Joe DePetris—Boy

June 3, 1953, Dr. and Mrs. S. Candas—Boy

June 8, 1953, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Dubin—Boy

DEATHS

Dr. M. R. Carner passed away after a few days illness on June 26th and was buried on June 30, 1953.

Texas College of Osteopathic General Practitioners Meet

A most informative educational meeting of the Texas College of General Practitioners was held at the Worth Hotel at Fort Worth June 19 and 20. Dr. Grover Stukey of Laughlin Hospital, Kirksville, Missouri, well-known thoracic and cardio-vascular surgeon, conducted a seminar on the diagnosis and management of chest conditions for the general practitioner. Highlights of his experiences during his postgraduate training in South America and in Europe were also most interesting.

Dr. Stukey is an outstanding man in our profession and it was unfortunate that more of our General Practitioners were unable to attend this meeting. We hope the rumor that Dr. Stukey is moving to Texas will soon be fulfilled.

All arrangements for this meeting

were most capably handled by Dr. L. N. McAnally of Fort Worth.

Another seminar is being planned for the 'General Practitioners' meeting to be held in Dallas in September. The speaker will be announced at a later date, but make your plans now to attend.

Membership application blanks for membership in the Texas College of General Practitioners may be secured from Dr. Joe Love, Secretary, Austin, Texas.

Texas Student at Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery Honored

Russell L. Vinson of Fort Worth, Texas, was selected to be included in American College Student Leaders. The basis for selection has been a student's leadership abilities as demonstrated in his academic and extracurricular activities while attending the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery.

The "American College Student Leaders" book is a national publication which annually records the achievements, activities and biographies of the outstanding students selected by the individual student committees at over 1,000 colleges.

Included in the publication is the following biography:

Russell L. Vinson, Past Noble Skull of the Atlas Fraternity, Mastoid Chapter. Member of the U. S. Naval Reserve Research Unit 8 of the University of Texas; Science Club of Texas Christian University and Glee Club of St. Ignatius Academy of Fort Worth. Vinson was featherweight boxing champion of Texas Christian University in 1942-43. He attended the Arlington Heights High School and was Carrier salesman for Star-Telegram for four years. He graduated in 1947 from Texas Christian University with a B. A. Degree and graduated from the University of Texas in 1950 with a M. A. Degree. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Vinson of Fort Worth, Texas.

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\$250,000 Osteopathic Hospital Sought Here

*From CORPUS CHRISTI CALLER
June 23, 1953*

Corpus Christi Osteopathic Hospital, Inc., has made application to the city to get zoning changes in order to construct a new \$250,000 hospital which will approximately double present facilities.

Public hearing on the request for a special zoning permit was held by the Zoning and Planning Commission last night in City Hall.

Plans call for building the hospital on Tarlton, between Ayers and Churchill. The 300-foot square tract will be located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Fig and Tarlton, once Fig is extended.

The land is zoned for first apartment house use, and it will require a special City Council permit for the use which is not permitted in the district.

Dr. Joseph Schultz, chief of staff of the hospital, said the \$250,000 figure is only an estimate of the costs.

So far only a preliminary plat has been submitted to the city planning engineer's office. Preliminary plans and final working drawings by the architects would have to be completed.

The present 27-bed hospital was constructed in 1939 by the late Dr. James M. Tyree and Dr. Boyd Henry of California.

Objective in the new building will be a 50-bed hospital and eight bassinets.

Also included in the plans which the hospital trustees and staff have discussed are two major operating rooms, an obstetric room, and a minor operating room. The present hospital has only one major operating room.

Dr. Schultz estimated last night that once the permit is granted, it will be from 18 to 24 months before construction will be completed. The old hospital will probably be sold.

The chief of staff said that 10 active osteopathic physicians are now practicing in Corpus Christi, and that by July 1 this figure will increase to 17. He said

a number of internes are scheduled to graduate.

Dr. Schultz said the present hospital has long been overtaxed. Though facilities are now available for 27 bed patients, the hospital when first constructed had 12 beds.

New Law On Consent For Autopsy

A new law, House Bill No. 415, effective May 27, 1953, specifies the proper parties to give consent for autopsies. This law is intended to clear up any confusion as to the proper person to give such consent. Consent for autopsy is now sufficient when given by the following:

1. *In the case of a MARRIED person:*

- A. By the surviving spouse.
- B. If no surviving spouse:

(1) By any child of such marriage. If such child be a minor then by the guardian of such child. If there is no guardian of the minor child, then the court having jurisdiction of the person of such minor.

- C. If neither spouse or child survives deceased:

By a person who would be allowed to give such permission in the case of unmarried deceased.

2. *In the case of an UNMARRIED person:*

(In the order stated.)

- A. Father.
- B. Mother.
- C. Guardian.
- D. Next of kin.
- E. In the absence of any of the foregoing then by:

The person assuming custody of and responsibility for burial of the body of the deceased. If two or more persons assume custody of the body, consent of one of them shall be sufficient.

Senior Awards Announced

Senior awards for 1953 at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery were announced at the Commencement Banquet May 28. They include Psi Sigma Alpha for highest scholarship for four years, to Herbert Topol, East Elmhurst, L. I., N. Y.; Sigma Sigma Phi, most valuable senior award, to Eugene DeLucia, Columbus, Ohio; and Alpha Phi Omega, Roy S. Irwin award for highest average on senior comprehensives, to Edward P. Kehoe, Moberly, Mo.

Hospital News

DENVER (AOA)—Completion of the third floor of the new Rocky Mountain Osteopathic Hospital was celebrated by an open house. The addition has provision for 38 beds.

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Academy of Applied Osteopathy Will Conduct Extension Course

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AOA)—Dr. Kenneth E. Little, executive secretary-treasurer of the Academy of Applied Osteopathy, announces that the Academy will conduct a graduate extension course at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, Michigan August 24-29.

Lecturers include I. M. Korr, Ph. D., and doctors George W. Northup, Paul E. Kimberly, A. Hollis Wolf, T. L. Northup and Leon E. Page. Doctor Little points out that "the courses are acceptable for registration in several states."

AFL Union Plans Nationwide Program of Group Health Plans

ROCHESTER, N. Y. (AOA)—The International Association of Machinists (AFL) plans a nationwide network of union-sponsored group health plans "to help solve the high cost of doctor bills."

Doctors Urged to Visit P&PW At Convention

CHICAGO (AOA)—Doctors visiting the *AOA Convention* were urged to drop in at the P&PW Press Room, on the third floor of the hotel, to approve newspaper releases to their hometown newspapers.

Stenographic service was available and the P&PW staff was on hand to work with doctors in developing year-round newspaper and radio publicity at local as well as state levels.

Bart L'Hommedieu, Director: Helen Paula LaPat and Jack Koten were renewing friendships and meeting doctors whom they knew only through correspondence.

Robert Klobnak, former reporter and sub-editor with the Chicago American, has joined the staff of P&PW. Mr. Klobnak served three years with the

4th Marine Division during World War II and was recalled for service with the Marine Air Force during the Korean conflict. He attended the University of Missouri and is currently taking courses at Northwestern University.

Theme Of 57th A.O.A. Convention Deals With Man's Environment

CHICAGO, (AOA)—The theme of the 57th annual A.O.A. convention here July 13-17—*The Impact of Environment on Man's Health in a Changing World*—has added emphasis through a recent dictum by Wm. C. Menninger, M. D., that psychiatric practice necessitates three diagnosis—physical, psychological and social.

He urges physicians to emulate the family doctor who once took time to listen to the patient's story. It is a fallacy, Dr. Menninger said, to believe that a physician can describe "the total picture of incapacity of a social-psychological-biological unit strictly in terms of cellular changes."

He proposes this question: "What shall we call the disease represented by a man who has always been frail but has worked very hard to support his widowed mother; did not feel he could afford to get married, buries himself in the details of a complicated job; develops paralyzing headaches, loses time at the office for which pay is deducted from his wages; worries about this so much that he loses sleep and begins vomiting after each meal?"

The modern physician, he contends, will recapture the effective assets of the old-time family physician by utilizing in daily practice the principles which govern psychiatric care.

And Dr. Nelson G. Hanawait, past president of the New Jersey Psychological Association, adds "Some day soon people will submit to psychological check-ups just as naturally as they go for physical examinations."



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Washington News Letter

H. R. 4495, which extends the termination date of the Doctors Draft Law from July 1, 1953, to July 1, 1955, was cleared by Congress, sans our proposed amendments, on June 16, 1953, and now awaits the President's signature.

There is still no indication whether or when the Director of Selective Service will require the registration and conscription of Doctors of Osteopathy under the Doctors Draft Law.

As you know, we attempted to use this Bill, as a vehicle for clarifying our eligibility for medical commissions, and the Chairman of the House Committee promptly introduced as an alternative a separate Bill, H. R. 5017, for the purpose. The schedule of the House Armed Services Committee has not yet permitted a hearing on the Bill, but we have been promised a hearing and we feel certain that the promise will be kept in the near future.

We were aware that the introduction of the House Bill would act as a deterrent to the Senate Armed Services Committee, if it needed any additional deterrent, with respect to inclusion of our amendment in H. R. 4495. However, in keeping with our policy of not overlooking an opportunity, we appeared before the Senate Committee and after a preliminary statement we incorporated in the record the testimony we had offered before the House Committee. We called upon the Presidents of the Osteopathic Associations in the States represented on the Committee, as well as the particular unit contacts and certain other osteopathic constituents, to urge the Senate Committee members to favorably consider our amendment for medical commissions.

In our appearance before the Senate Committee we also requested an additional amendment, namely, representation on state or local Medical Advisory Committees to Selective Service when these committees are called on to advise upon the civilian essentiality of osteo-

pathic physicians. We requested the particular State Secretaries to stress the desirability of that amendment to the Senate Committee members. The letters from the State Secretaries were timed to reach the Committee in the interval between the prospective Committee Report and its consideration by the Senate. Customarily, in the case of legislative measures, a week or so transpires between the time of the Committee Report and the time of the consideration of the measure by the Senate. Twelve days transpired between the House Report and its consideration by the House. However, the Senate Committee adopted "gun-shy" tactics and obtained Senate consideration the day after the Senate Report was filed. We do not believe the speed tactics changed the result so far as we are concerned.

There was a double objective in seeking the Advisory Committee representation amendment. We desired that either the amendment be adopted or that the Selective Service System be put on notice against seeking advice from the Medical Advisory Committee where deferment of osteopathic physicians is concerned. We believe we obtained the alternative result, because several letters written by the Senate Committee to State Osteopathic Secretaries pointed out that the Committee was advised on behalf of the National Director of Selective Service that the Medical Advisory Committees are not asked for advice on osteopathic deferments. Some of the Senators wrote that if it turns out that such advice is being asked they will promptly seek an appropriate amendment. We know of cases where National Headquarters has asked for such advice and we wanted that stopped, unless proper representation could be accorded. Therefore, we believe that something worthwhile has been accomplished in that connection.

Some of the Senate Committee members also wrote to the State Secretaries indicating that the question of medical

commissions for Doctors of Osteopathy was discussed in Executive session and it was decided that a separate measure would be more appropriate and if and when H. R. 5017 is acted on by the House it will be given sympathetic consideration by the Senate Committee.

We are encouraged to believe that our activity before the Congressional Committees in connection with H. R. 4495 will have served us in good stead for promotion of H. R. 5017.

We very much appreciate the cooperation of the State Officers, our unit contacts and others in the states who responded to our call for assistance in connection with this legislation.

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IN THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES

May 5, 1953

Mr. Short introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

A BILL

To amend the Army-Navy-Public Health Service Medical Officer Procurement Act of 1947, as amended, so as to provide for appointment of doctors of osteopathy in the Medical Corps of the Army and Navy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 201 of the Army-Navy-Public Health Service Medical Officer Procurement Act of 1947 (61 Stat. 777), as amended, is further amended by inserting immediately after the word "medicine" wherever used therein, the words "or osteopathy".

SEC. 2. Section 201 of the Army-Navy-Public Health Service Medical Officer Procurement Act of 1947 (61 Stat. 777), as amended, is further amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

"A doctor of osteopathy to be eligible for appointment in the Medical Corps of the Army and Navy must be a graduate of a college of osteopathy whose graduates are eligible for licensure to practice medicine or surgery in a majority of the States, and be licensed to practice medicine, surgery, or osteopathy in one of the States or Territories of the United States or in the District of Columbia."

Revenue Revision

Hearings are being held by the House Ways and Means Committee on some forty items for revenue revision, and are expected to continue through July.

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The Committee plans to present a revised tax Bill in January.

The AOA Department of Public Relations, on June 17, submitted a statement to the Committee regarding revision of the item of *deduction of medical, dental, etc., expenses for income tax purposes*. Current law permits deductions above 5% of adjusted gross income and has a ceiling on the amounts deductible. We asked for liberalization of the limits on the ground that increased opportunity for deduction will encourage more early diagnosis and treatment, and, therefore, improve the health and the earnings (subject to tax) of the people. We also suggested that the items of premiums of health insurance be continued as a medical expense deduction, but that any extra inducement for deductibility of these premiums be contingent on right of choice of physician by the assured.

On June 18, we submitted a statement regarding *deductibility of education costs*. We requested that costs of postgraduate training and refresher courses incurred by physicians in connection with their established practice be made deductible. A recent U. S. Court of Appeals decision (Coughlin v. Commissioner of Internal Revenue, 203 F.2d 307) held that the cost of attending a tax course was deductible as an ordinary and necessary business expense when incurred by a lawyer engaged in tax practice. We pointed out that costs of postgraduate and refresher courses incurred by physicians would be deductible on a corollary basis, but rather than depend on prospective regulations for the purpose, we requested that the law expressly provide for such deductions.

Later on in the hearings we expect to submit a statement regarding the establishment of restricted retirement funds to permit deferred taxation of a percentage of the income of physicians when paid into such funds for retirement purposes. This item is not ex-

pected to be reached until after the AOA convention in July.

The doctor draft extension bill (H. R. 4495) was signed June 29. It is Public Law No. 84.

Selective Service

As soon as the grades are in at the end of the scholastic year, the college should send a Form SSS 109 to the Local Board of every student who is subject to Selective Service, and who is expected to return to the college for further schooling. These forms should be filed on or before July 1, if possible.

Each SSS 109, which is filed as above mentioned, should be accompanied by a request for occupational deferment in Class II-S. Some of the colleges are not following that procedure, although I stressed it in my Washington News Letter of January 14, 1952, and again in my Selective Service advices of February 16, 1953. The procedure is based on paragraph 2(b) of LBM No. 43, issued December 31, 1951, which reads, in part as follows:

The filing with a local board by an educational institution of a completed SSS Form No. 109 does not constitute a request for the occupational deferment of the registrant. An educational institution or any person must file with the local board a specific written request for the registrant's occupational deferment in order to establish a right of appeal under section 1626.2 (appeal to the Appeal Board by registrant and others) of the regulations.

No college should accept a student who is subject to Selective Service and who failed to stand in the upper one-half of his class for his last full-time undergraduate academic year next preceding his proposed admission to professional college. Some colleges have made exceptions to this rule and the Local Boards have granted II-S classifications, irrespective of the disqualification. In these cases, it is well to remember that the Forms SSS 109, which

are required to be filed for the succeeding years, require a statement showing whether the student qualified under the upper one-half class standing rule when he was originally admitted to the professional college. In other words, the student who enters under a disqualification remains vulnerable during his entire professional college career.

My Selective Service advices of February 16th attempted to make clear the necessity that the colleges advise all Seniors that they should, some sixty days before the end of their Senior year, advise their Local Boards of their proposed activity following graduation. My mail indicates that a number of students have either not heard of the procedure or have not understood its importance.

Some of the local Boards are "hard put" to meet their quotas, and more will become so as time goes on, so that unless the Local Board files are kept up-to-date with the required information furnished by the colleges, injustice or protracted difficulties will be visited on the student registrants.

IS **Interns Receive Certificates**

A feature of the program at the banquet for the Annual Clinical Review Course at the Kirksville College of osteopathy and Surgery on the evening of June 1, 1953, was the presentation of certificates to physicians completing internship at the Kirksville Osteopathic Hospital. They include Drs. Raymond A. Neudigate, Bruce E. Brink, Leonard

A. Lewis, Edward C. Thorington, Walter H. Wehmeyer, Lloyd L. England, George M. Gasser, and Carl O. Sites.

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Dr. Peterson moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Still and it *carried*.

District 6 submitted the following constitutional amendment:

"Amend Article VIII—House of Delegates, Section 2, to read as follows:

"The House of Delegates shall consist of Delegates elected by the district societies of this Association. Each district society shall be entitled to one delegate from each district, plus one delegate from each district for each fifteen members of the district or major fraction thereof to a membership of 45; then one delegate for each additional 25 members to a membership of 95; then one additional delegate for each 50 members over 95."

Dr. Baum moved that the motion be tabled until report could be heard from redistricting committee, seconded by Dr. Brune, and it *carried*.

The House recessed for luncheon at 1:30 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

Report of Budget Committee was called for. The budget was presented to the House.

Dr. Love moved that the budget be sent back to the Board for a balanced

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budget, seconded by Dr. Luibel, and the motion was defeated, the budget being within the power of the Board of Trustees by the constitution.

Dr. Donald V. Hampton, president of the AOA, was presented to the House of Delegates by Dr. Baum.

Dr. Hampton extended greetings to the House of Delegates from the American Osteopathic Association and stated that he would reserve any speeches for the general assembly, that the House of Delegates were extremely busy and that he did not care to repeat his talk as most of them would hear it before the general session.

The Speaker called for a report of the audit of the Association. Executive secretary presented the official audit, which proved the association to be in an excellent financial condition.

The Speaker called for a report of the Committee on Emergency Disaster. Dr. Sherman Sparks made a rather lengthy report upon the activities of this committee in conjunction with the over-all state program and a telegram was read from Mr. McGill, the director, complimenting the TAOP&S on its activity in the over-all picture during the year.

There were no recommendations and the report was received and filed.

The Chair called for a report from the Redistricting Committee and Dr. Holcomb, chairman of this committee, gave an elaborate report, outlining suggested changes to be made in the districts of the organization.

There was a long discussion over this report and a great deal of difference of opinion in reference to the feasibility of these changes as submitted, after which Dr. Howard Coats moved that the report be referred back to the committee for restudy and report next year, and it was seconded by Dr. J. N. Stewart, and *carried*.

Dr. Holcomb then moved that district 4 be split as shown on the map and this was seconded by Dr. Black-

wood, and it *carried*, thus creating a new district to be known as "District 11."

The Committee on Ethics, Dr. Robert J. Brune, Chairman, presented his report, which was rather lengthy and dealt at considerable length with the ethics of the organization to date. The following recommendation was made by Dr. Brune:

"That each district society devote one of its meeting programs to a study and perusal of the Code of Ethics."

Dr. J. N. Stewart moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Sherman Sparks, and it *carried*.

Following Dr. Brune's report District 6 submitted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, it is impossible for a state organization to function properly without recognized legal instruments; and, WHEREAS, constitution and bylaws are necessary to constitute legally any corporate organization; therefore BE IT RESOLVED that no delegate from any district of the TAOP&S be seated at the 1954 and subsequent annual conventions until said constitution and bylaws are properly filed with the executive secretary of the TAOP&S."

Dr. Tavel moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Spivey, and *carried*.

The report of the Committee on Meetings as printed was given by Dr. W. L. Crews, chairman, who gave a rather lengthy discussion on the problem connected with securing good attendance and good programs in certain districts and he offered the following recommendation:

"The Committee recommends that district 5 be split and assigned to district 3 and district 2, that any active districts provide a speaker of their choice to make a circuit of all weak districts to stimulate interest and attendance. If the district cannot afford to pay expenses of the speakers the association will help finance same."

Dr. Peterson moved that it be adopted, seconded by Dr. Stewart, but the motion was *defeated*.

The report of the Committee on Programs was given by Dr. A. L. Garrison, chairman, as printed. Dr. Garrison made the following recommendations:

1. Secure speakers for annual convention who are graduates of at least three of the colleges.

Dr. Smith moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Tavel, but the motion was *defeated*.

2. To have on the program at least one subject that can be talked on by various specialists.

Dr. Sparks moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. J. N. Stewart, and it was *defeated*.

3. To make said meetings the one BIG meeting for all specialists and practitioners.

Dr. Sherman Sparks moved a substitute recommendation as proposed by the Board of Trustees to read as follows:

"That the Association establish a policy which goes in Part B I of the Manual of Procedure that the annual convention be emphasized as the important professional meeting of the year in this State."

It was seconded by Dr. Alexander and *carried*.

Following this there was considerable discussion as to the manner of listing all recommendations in reports of committee chairmen, and the following motion was made by Dr. Van de Grift, seconded by Dr. Brennan, that all recommendations to be bona fide must be listed under "Recommendations" at the end of the report and not incorporated in the body of the report, and it *carried*.

The annual report of the Committee on College liaison, Dr. H. H. Edwards, chairman, was given as printed. He made a lengthy report upon the fact that the state association had provided a speaker for the Kansas City College, the Kirksville College, Des Moines College and the Chicago College during

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the past year with excellent results. Dr. Edwards made the following recommendation:

"That during the coming year the executive secretary of the state organization be instructed to visit as many of the osteopathic colleges as time and finances will permit."

Dr. J. N. Stewart moved the adoption of a substitute motion as recommended by the Board of Trustees, that the TAOP&S offer the osteopathic colleges a speaker of their choice from Texas for the coming year. This was seconded by Dr. Smith and *carried*.

The Chairman of the Department of Professional Affairs gave his annual report, as printed. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That the present organization of departments, bureaus and committees be continued for at least five years.

This recommendation was declared out of order as it involves the constitution and bylaws of the organization.

2. That chairmen of the most important committees be members of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Wayne Smith moved the adoption of a substitute recommendation as submitted by the Board of Trustees to read, as follows:

"That the chairmen of the most important committees be members of the Board of Trustees 'when feasible'. This was seconded by Dr. Van de Grift and *carried*.

3. That each chairman furnish copies of all correspondence to the bureau and department chairmen.

Dr. Luibel moved a substitute motion to read as follows, as suggested by the Board of Trustees:

"That it should be the policy of committee chairmen to furnish copies of all correspondence to the bureau and department chairmen, president and president elect and executive sec."

This was seconded by Dr. Smith and *carried*.

4. That a Manual of Procedure be compiled with the adopted recommenda-

tions of each year incorporated in it so that there will be a continuity running through the years.

Dr. Peterson moved, seconded by Dr. J. N. Stewart, its adoption. Following considerable discussion the motion was *defeated*.

5. Dealt with budgetary problem and declared out of order as under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees.

Department of Public Affairs presented its report, all of which has been published, Dr. C. Ray Nelson, chairman. He then submitted the following recommendations:

1. That the Bureau of Public Health and Insurance Committee continue under the present form of organization with the addition of younger men in subsidiary capacities for the purpose of training.

Dr. Van de Grift moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Wayne Smith and it *carried*.

2. That the Bureau of P&PW be studied thoroughly for the purpose of improving its present method of organization and considering the advisability of employing professional assistance.

Dr. Sherman Sparks moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Van de Grift and it *carried*.

The Bureau of Public Health, Dr. Everett W. Wilson, chairman, presented its report, which was printed. He epitomized many activities of the organization that were not printed for information of the House and made the following recommendations:

1. Maintain the composite Board of Examiners with unlimited practice rights.

Dr. Tavel moved, seconded by Dr. Van de Grift, that recommendation be adopted, and it *carried*.

2. Develop public relations through hospital staffs and service organizations by furnishing speakers.

Dr. Cunningham moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Van de Grift, and it *carried*.

3. Close liaison be continued between members of the Bureau of Public Health, Texas State Board of Examiners and the Department of Health.

Dr. Stewart moved, Dr. Witt seconded its adoption and it *carried*.

4. Urge members of the profession to continue to improve contacts with the legislators and support local precinct meetings.

Dr. Stewart moved its adoption, seconded by Dr. Still, and it *carried*.

5. Recommend that the association members of the Bureau of Public Health be appointed at district level. If cooperation is not received from appointees, the president of the TAOP&S shall relieve said member and appoint satisfactory liaison.

Dr. Luibel moved a substitute recommendation as suggested by the Board of Trustees:

"That if cooperation is not received from the electee, the president of the TAOP&S shall notify the president of the district and request a new member to be elected."

seconded by Dr. Stewart, and *carried*.

6. Continue forceful effort to be directed toward the Texas Educational Agency and the University of Texas Board of Regents to obtain postgraduate educational acceptance within state supported institutions for members of the osteopathic profession. Progress made by the osteopathic profession in the state of Washington on the same problem be reviewed and evaluated. Consideration be given for the introduction of a bill in the next legislature similar to the state of Washington legislation.

Dr. Van de Grift moved substitute recommendation as submitted by the Board of Trustees:

"That the Bureau of Public Health Committee exert every effort to secure postgraduate training in tax supported schools on a nondiscriminatory basis."

This was seconded by Dr. Henry Spivey and was *carried*.

7. Request resolution from the House of Delegates condemning anonymous political policy statements contrary to the previous directions from organizational directives and ask for confidence vote for subordinate committees.

Dr. Luibel moved the adoption, seconded by Dr. Hamilton, and the resolution was *defeated*.

The report of the Bureau of Professional and Public Welfare by Dr. George Luibel was presented to the House as printed. The following recommendations were made:

1. A recommendation in regard to a budgetary item, which was declared out of order as the Board of Trustees has jurisdiction over same.

2. That the general policy and program of the Bureau as outlined to the various chairmen be kept in motion on a long range basis.

Dr. Tavel moved, seconded by Dr. Cunningham, that it be adopted and it *carried*.

3. That the Board and the House seriously consider the necessity for activating in some manner the public relations program of this organization and, if possible, resort to public relations counsel, where the membership is unwilling or unable to proceed with this phase of our professional development.

Dr. Edwards moved, seconded by Dr. Tavel, the adoption, and it was *carried*.

Dr. Garrison suggests that the House recommend to P&PW Committee as its major objective to institute a program to educate the members of our profession at the district level.

Dr. Peterson moved that we recommend to P&PW the adoption of this recommendation, seconded by Dr. Smith, and it *carried*.

Dr. Sparks suggested to the House that they adopt a recommendation as suggested by the Board of Trustees that P&PW be directed to create a panel of speakers, including specialists and those who have certain abilities to carry

the message to members at the district level.

Dr. Buxton moved that the recommendation be adopted, seconded by Dr. Charles Still, and *carried*.

Dr. Garrison presents for consideration of the House the following from the Board of Trustees:

"That the P&PW chairman appoint a news reporter in each district for news releases of the district activities."

Moved by Dr. Porter, seconded by Dr. Smith the adoption was *carried*.

Dr. Beyer presents the following from the Board of Trustees:

"That P&PW make as their major objective during the coming year a program consisting of the following:

1. Education of the profession at the district level.
2. Osteopathic education at the state college level.

Moved by Dr. Smith, seconded by Dr. Love, the adoption *carried*.

Report of the Bureau of Insurance was presented to the House as printed by Dr. Milton V. Gafney, chairman, who presented the following recommendations:

1. Continue under the present successful lines.

Dr. Van de Grift moved, seconded by Dr. Blackwood, the adoption and it *carried*.

2. Consummation of membership status with Blue Cross for intern training hospitals and with registered hospitals when and if possible.

Dr. Stewart moved the adoption, seconded by Dr. Witt, and it *carried*.

3. Requesting that the profession at large and the hospitals in particular increase their efficiency in the handling of insurance claims.

Dr. Morgan moved, seconded by Dr. Sherman Sparks, the adoption and it *carried*.

4. The aggressive support of all companies in the insurance field who pay claims to osteopathic hospitals and osteopathic physicians.

Dr. Love moved, seconded by Dr. Morgan, that the recommendation be adopted and it *carried*.

5. We recommend that policies be handled in keeping with good business practice and that patients be encouraged to seek a broader coverage by policy conversion when indicated.

Dr. Spivey moved the adoption, seconded by Dr. Cain, and *carried*.

6. Continue the committee personnel intact.

This was declared out of order as the president's prerogative.

7. That the budget appropriation be as of last year.

This was declared out of order as the prerogative of the Board of Trustees.

Annual report of the Committee on Group Insurance, Dr. Earle H. Mann, chairman, as printed was presented by Dr. Gafney. No recommendations were adopted.

The Committee on the Osteopathic Progress Fund, Dr. Lester J. Vick, chairman, presented his written report and made the following recommendation:

"That the House of Delegates make osteopathic education and the needs of osteopathic education in support of the colleges a paramount program."

Dr. Wayne Smith moved, seconded by Dr. Tavel, its adoption, and it was *carried*.

Mr. Chet Jasper presented to the House an insurance plan by which osteopathic education and donations could be furthered by the profession.

The annual report of the Committee on Statistics and Locations was presented to the House as printed. No recommendations were adopted in connection with this committee.

Report of the Committee on State Office was given by Dr. J. R. Alexander, who brought the association up to date on the possibilities of creating a state office owned by the association.

Dr. Tavel moved that the House go on record as approving and endorsing the report of the committee to study

the feasibility of building a state office. This was seconded by Dr. Stewart and *carried*.

There was no report from the Committee on Selective Service, Dr. John B. Donovan as chairman.

The annual report of the Committee on Veterans Affairs, Dr. Ira F. Kerwood, chairman, was presented to the House by the executive secretary. There were no recommendations.

Dr. Brune called attention and recommended to the House the following recommendation:

"That it be a matter of policy and that it be included in Part B I of the Manual of Procedure that the executive secretary and/or the president of the association is empowered to act as official representative of the association in consummation of VA contracts."

Dr. Peterson moved the adoption, seconded by Dr. Morgan, and it *carried*.

Report of Bureau of Conventions was given by Dr. J. R. Alexander as chairman. The report was that the convention would be held in Fort Worth in 1954, April 29-30 and May 1, 1954. That the 1955 convention to be held at The Shamrock Hotel, Houston, Texas, May 6, 7 and 8, 1955. That Dallas be selected as a tentative date latter part of April, 1956.

Dr. Thompson moved, seconded by Dr. Brennan, that the constitutional amendment to Article VIII—House of Delegates, Section 2, previously tabled until after the report of the Redistricting Committee be now considered. Dr. Brennan seconded and it *carried*.

Dr. Love called for a roll call vote but did not receive sufficient votes to justify said vote.

Dr. Peterson moved that we adopt amendment to Article VIII and it was *defeated*.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions was given:

"WHEREAS, the members of the T.A.O.P.S. in convention assembled in San Antonio April 27, 28, 29, 30,

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May 1st, and 2nd, 1953, for its annual session has completed an interesting, educational and progress making meeting;

WHEREAS, a conclave of this type can be successful only through ceaseless efforts of many individuals and groups coordinated towards a common purpose and motive,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the House of Delegates instruct the executive secretary to personally or through letter extend proper expression of gratitude to all those contributing to the success of this meeting.

These being as follows:

1. Rev. Kenneth W. Copeland of Travis Park Methodist Church.
2. Rev. Harry L. Owens, Woodlawn Christian Church.
3. Rev. Father John Quinlivan of St. Anthony's Seminary.
4. Dr. Donald V. Hampton and members of the A.O.A. Staff.
5. The program speakers, namely: Dr. R. MacFarlane Tilley, Dr. Robert Morhardt, Dr. D. V. Hampton, Dr. John G. Henery, Dr. Ralph I. McRae, Dr. Robert J. Brune, Dr. Howard R. Coats and Dr. C. D. Ogilvie.
6. Dr. Charlotte Strum, Dr. Gordon S. Beckwith and the local convention committee.
7. The companies who availed us their scientific and technical exhibits and their personal representatives.
8. Radio and T.V. Stations KEML, KABC, KCOR, KMAC, KONO and WOAI-TV.
9. The City Desk Editors of the San Antonio Light, Express and Evening News.
10. Mr. Ed Corrin, Executive Assistant Manager of the Gunter Hotel and his entire staff.
11. Mrs. Crawford, caterer of the Gunter Hotel.
12. Red Steger, Manager of Oak Hills Country Club.

13. Terry Saunders, Head of Convention Committee of Chamber of Commerce.

14. Hamilton Magruder, manager of La Villita.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Governor Allan Shivers so enthusiastically welcomed and addressed our members, be it

RESOLVED that we express our profound appreciation to him, AND BE it further

RESOLVED that our gratitude be extended to the Honorable Senator Rogers of Austin, Texas

WHEREAS, the standing of the Osteopathic profession has advanced in past year and that the profession has become more closely united and coordinated during the administration of President Elmer C. Baum; therefore be it

RESOLVED that our sincere appreciation be conveyed to him for his skillful, energetic, unselfish administration of office; and be it further

RESOLVED that we pledge our full cooperation to our President-elect, Dr. Merle Griffin.

RESOLVED, that we express our gratitude to Dr. Phil Russell and his staff at the executive office for their ceaseless devotion and high sense of duty, be it further

RESOLVED, that our Speaker of the House, Robert Lorenz, be thanked for his guidance in our deliberations

WHEREAS, the Auxiliary to the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons is very important in the life of our organization, be it

RESOLVED, that the Auxiliary be thanked for their untiring work, for their valuable contributions, and that they be encouraged and supported in all of their programs.

Signed: Lige Edwards
Howard Coats, *Chairman*
Joseph Schultz

Following this nominations for elective officers were received and the House

adjourned at 11:30 p.m. to reconvene at 12:00 on the following day.

The following were elected:

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San Antonio, Texas
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Grants and Gifts Reported

Gifts and grants for the year to the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery were announced by President Morris Thompson at the Commencement Banquet. The gifts included \$150,000 from alumni and friends in varying amounts, one of which is a monthly gift of \$5.00 received since December 1950, from Mr. and Mrs. Richard Isenmann, lay friends of Warrenton, Missouri. Other gifts included one of \$10,000 and one of \$5.00 by anonymous donors and one of \$500 from the Readers Digest Foundation.

Research grants totaling \$60,000 were reported from the American Osteopathic Association, the United States Public Health Service and the Office of Naval Research. Teaching grants from the USPHS include \$14,000 for diseases of heart and arteries, and \$22,480 for cancer.

Record Number Register

More than 125 physicians, in addition to members of the College faculty and staff, registered for the annual Clinical Review Course at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery May 31 through June 2. Featured this year were lectures and demonstrations by the departments of osteopathic medicine, surgery and osteopathic technic. One hundred thirty attended the traditional banquet on the evening of June 1. The speakers were President Morris Thompson and Dr. R. McFarlane Tilley, Chairman of the division of practice of osteopathic medicine.

"Public Relation In Action"

MACON, Ga. (AOA) — Ripley's widely circulated newspaper feature *Believe It Or Not* recently carried a photograph of Dr. Frank F. Jones, of Macon, Ga., with the caption "has practiced 50 years without missing a single day for illness."

"Engineers of Anatomy and Physiology" Are Needed Says Dr. Martin C. Beilke

ROCKLAND, Me. (AOA)—"More and better trained engineers of anatomy and physiology are what the industry needs today."

Dr. Martin C. Beilke, professor at the Chicago College of Osteopathy, and osteopathic physician, said during the recent convention of the Main Osteopathic Association that industrial leaders fail to realize that workers' bodily structural problems are costing industry millions of dollars yearly.

"Engineers of anatomy and physiology—that is doctors who fully understand the human body and its workings—can keep workers functioning at peak capacity and save time and money for employer, worker and insurance company," Dr. Beilke said.

"Workers physically ill-suited to their jobs often develop low back and spinal problems to say nothing of poor posture," he added.

Dr. Beilke added that "general body imbalances may even shorten life by several years, and that tissues under undue stress for long periods of time because of imbalances, are easy prey for arthritis, kidney conditions and circulatory problems."

To avoid a large percentage of worker's structural complaints, Dr. Beilke urged industry to require thorough pre-employment physical examinations including x-ray postural studies.

Athletic Forum Held

CHICAGO (AOA)—Doctors interested in athletic injuries participated in a forum on athletic injuries and the health care and training of professional and amateur athletes sponsored by the AOA Division of Public and Professional Welfare. Osteopathic doctors who are team doctors and/or athletic trainers discussed their techniques with the sports editors and writers representing

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Chicago newspapers and the mid-western bureaus of the national news services.

This "athletic injury" seminar was held on the third floor of the Conrad Hilton hotel Thursday afternoon, July 16th, at five o'clock in the West Ball room.

Constructive Publicity Can Be Obtained

CHICAGO (AOA)—Mrs. Charles C. Catron, president of the Auxiliary to the New Mexico Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, writes in the current A.A.O.A. *Record*:

"In New Mexico, we feel that a public service feature on the radio is wonderful publicity. Our publicity chairman has always been granted this favor when she has asked for it. Many of the doctors in New Mexico have commented on the effectiveness of a woman presenting such a broadcast."

Mrs. Roswell P. Bates, publicity chairman for the Auxiliary to the Maine Osteopathic Association, writes in the *Record* that she finds news items give better radio publicity than do the radio scripts. This includes news items of hospitals, auxiliaries, and personal items. "Radio and press relations must be developed through friends, I believe" Mrs. Bates states.

NOTE: On the other hand, three Maine radio stations have used P&PW scripts on a weekly basis for some time, and one of the largest—a network outlet—has just contracted for the new series of "The Doctor's Story."

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DETROIT, Mich. (AOA)—Tribute was paid to the Detroit Osteopathic Women's Club for its nurses scholarship program at the second annual "Women's Day" participated in by the 125 groups affiliated with the Detroit Federation of Women's Clubs, and featured by *The Detroit News*.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Auxiliary District One

As membership chairman I should like to enlist every doctor's wife as a member of the auxiliary, if she is not already a member. There are three hundred fifty-six doctors in the Texas directory, and only one hundred seventy-six wives who are on the auxiliary rolls. Of this number there are many who only pay dues and are not taking an active part in the auxiliary work.

I think this is a challenge to local presidents and program chairmen to make the meetings so interesting and the work so rewarding that inactive members will want to become active and non-members will want to become members.

I should like to suggest to each local president that she organize a membership committee and give each one a list of several names to personally contact and induce them to become members of the auxiliary.

The following plan works in a local church to increase attendance. Each member is assigned a "buddy" and before each service they get in touch with and remind one another of the meeting. If one cannot attend, the other reports the reason to the class. Consequently, most members attend under these circumstances unless they really have a plausible excuse. I believe this plan would help our local auxiliary attendance. If we really talk up our meetings and make each other feel that someone is really interested in our attendance, I believe it will help our meetings.

Let's get out and get those non-members into the auxiliary and then make them active members!

HELEN (Mrs. John L.) WITT

Auxiliary District Six

On June 6 and 7, the doctors and wives of district 6 met in Galveston

for their quarterly meeting. Arrangements for rooms at the Galvez and for the evening's entertainment on the Pleasure Pier were taken care of by Dr. and Mrs. G. S. Rogers of Galveston and LaMarque.

The auxiliary held their meeting in the Galvez Hotel on Sunday morning at 10:00 A.M. with about fifteen members present, Mrs. W. H. Sorenson of Port Arthur, presiding. A pleasant morning was spent making plans for the year. Later a very enjoyable dinner was served in the Club room to the doctors and their guests.

EDYTH TOMPSON

New Mexico Association to Reintroduce Bill In 1955

SANTA FE, N. M.—Commenting on the tabling by the Senate committee of a bill to permit osteopathic physicians to practice in tax-supported hospitals, Dr. L. C. Boatman of Santa Fe told newspapermen:

"Apparently it is the intent of the committee to disenfranchise that portion of the ailing public who help support public hospitals by taking away their right to the services of the physicians of their choice. In those areas where tax money supports such hospitals, those taxpayers who prefer services of osteopaths pay the bill for the hospitals but cannot have the services of the doctor they want."

Mr. W. Peter McAtee, counsel for the New Mexico Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, declared that the Association would introduce a similar bill in the 1955 Legislature. "We still believe it is the inherent right of every American to be treated by the physician of his own choosing," he declared. "And we feel that 90% of the public is behind us."

NEWS OF THE DISTRICTS

DISTRICT TWO

Welcome to the three new internes at the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital. They are Dr. Kenneth F. Hall from the Des Moines College (Mrs. Hall will work in the business office at the hospital.)

Dr. Henry I. Benner from K.C.O.S.

Dr. John Russell from Kansas City College.

Those who are planning on attending the National Convention in Chicago are: Dr. and Mrs. George Luibel, Dr. and Mrs. Howard Buxton, Dr. and Mrs. P. R. Russell, Drs. Catherine and Elbert Carlton, Dr. J. O. Carr, Dr. C. R. Packer.

DISTRICT THREE

Dr. H. G. Grainger is concentrating too hard lately. He attended the Radiology Society meeting at Fort Worth last week end and after checking out of his hotel and getting well on his way home discovered he had left his luggage behind. To make matters more interesting, he had forgotten at which hotel he stayed. However, after beginning a search, he found the bag in the lobby of about the third hotel and made it back to Tyler without further incident.

The Texas Association of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists organized themselves on June 28, 1953. Officers elected were: president, Jerry O. Carr, D. O.; vice president, W. W. Baldwin, D. O.; secretary-treasurer, A. V. Manskey, D. O.; and trustees: Charles C. Rahm, D. O., three years; Esther Roehr, D. O., two years; and James A. Vaughan, Jr., D. O. No trouble was reported in deciding which came first—the rooster or the ovum.

No news reported from Drs. Coats, Brown, Cooper, Bragg, Coats, Hagan, Jones or Kinzie.

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Dr. K. E. Ross has just spent two weeks moving from the Bank building to 223 West Charnwood Street, Tyler, Texas. He is doing a limited amount of business but still has carpenters, bricklayers and various other artisans trying to build a reception room—the whole thing is a bit trying. Dr. Chas. C. Rahm gave notice this morning to get the carpenter tools out of the way so he could start moving in tomorrow—Rahm will be getting cheaper rent and making the payment on the mortgage for Dr. Ross. The new location is definitely NOT a clinic but the sign under consideration is rumored to be "General Specialists"—just to test and see if that loyal Texas D.O. knows what he was talking about.

Dr. W. K. Bowden, Tyler, Texas was overheard asking Dr. Coats if he had heard about the F. B. I. taking the Doctors into custody that operated on Christine Jorgensen. Dr. Coats bit and asked on what grounds. Dr. Bowden replied that they had been accused of tampering with the U. S. Male.

K. E. Ross, D. O.

DISTRICT FOUR

Dr. Garnet Gettins is visiting her parents in Illinois. She will take a trip to Canada before returning home.

Dr. B. B. Jaggars has opened swank new offices in Midland.

Clarence Booher, senior student at K.C.O.S. has received his Bachelor of Science degree from the Kirksville State Teachers College. He ranked sixth in his class. Clarence was recipient of the Texas auxiliary award his freshman year.

DISTRICT SIX

The new interns have arrived at the Houston Osteopathic Hospital: Drs. Robert Paul Kelley, Jack K. Taylor and

Leo D. Bricker, all married and of the up and coming type of folks.

Dr. Esther Roehr is in the hospital for surgery. May all her pains be little ones.

A well-to-do member of our profession, who has arrived but can not slow down, is building a fine home "A monument to himself" and will probably put these words over the front door: "Dr. _____ never rested here."

Dr. W. Grant is staying in this field to practice—a man of good judgment and broad base.

Dr. Lee and Miss Wong are to be married in San Antonio in early July. Hope they settle in the Houston area.

The H.O.H. free clinic is not in operation yet nor is the retractable clothes line between the two story clinic building and the top of the incinerator. The bed sheets and the unmentionables will or can act as a barrier to keep out 'strange ideas' in therapy.

My Fans: Dr. Cunningham says, "I enjoy reading district six news, even tho it doesn't amount to a d--- at times." A valuable and voluble opinion, honestly and succinctly stated.

Dr. Badger also admits he likes to read the district six news—but not in the room I claimed he did, especially when perusing the "conglomerate digest" (that many doctors have to practice by). Am happy that he reads the district news near the airconditioning equipment, that removes the excess moisture content, smog, dust, high pollen count and other offensive effluvia.

Two tall men suffering with torticollis came to my office on the same day or P.M., both 39 years, six feet one inch or more in height, 150 to 170 lbs. in avoirdupois. Their names were respectively ECK and ZOCK, neither knew the other or if the other had a neck, neither were exotic.

We have a peculiar fungus growing in our group (H.O.H.). Something like this, "I know a guy that knows a guy that has money." Talk of this type is frequently found in an oil field just

before, or shortly after oil has been found. Most of them are short of the usual monetary medium of exchange but "They know a guy, etc.—"

Interning at Community Hospital, Jacinto City, Texas are: Dr. Kelvin Lyons of Port Arthur, Texas, a graduate of K. C. College and Dr. Paul Trawick from Pensicola Florida, also a graduate of K. C. College, both married. Dr. Trawick a specialist in 'hush Puppies and Cat fish.' You furnish the cat fish.

Dr. Zima 'allows how' he is still bothered with the R's. In his early school days it was "readin', ritin, and rithmetic." Now its Romance, rent and rheumatism.

The Dr. Tompson's are going via boat to Black Lake, La., for vacation.

DISTRICT EIGHT

The regular staff meeting of the Corpus Christi Osteopathic Hospital was held June 9th, as a dinner meeting at the Nueces Hotel, at which time Dr. R. J. Brune was elected Chief of Staff, and Dr. W. F. Stiles was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

Dr. Samuel B. Ganz has opened his offices at 707 Oak Park Avenue, Corpus Christi.

Dr. R. J. Brune left Corpus Christi June 18 for a two weeks' vacation.

Dr. C. R. Woolsey is taking a vacation trip which will include Oregon, Washington and Canada, returning to Corpus Christi July 15.

Dr. J. J. Schultz, President of the Privateers Country Club in Corpus, is not only having professional headaches but is busy night and day with the project of a new country club building, which should be ready for occupancy by late fall.

The Hospital Board met in regular session June 23.

DISTRICT TEN

The regular meeting of South Plains Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons was a Sunday dinner meeting

held on June 28, at the Caprock Hotel, Lubbock.

Dr. Ralph I. McRae, certified psychiatrist of Dallas was guest speaker. He deplored the fact that many mentally ill patients are dismissed, the physician simply labeling them—Neurotics. He said that he returned to their physicians ten percent of his referred patients because their illness was organic.

He stressed the importance of encouraging the patient to unburden himself to his doctor, who plays the part of the "good listener" and always has time to hear the entire story. The proper attitude of the doctor should never be that of a lecturer or teacher, only occasionally interjecting a word of inquiry, proving his concern without interrupting his patient's trend of thought.

At some time during the interview the word "pain" appears in the picture and the doctor merely asks, "What kind of a pain is it?" All organic pathology produces a definite kind of pain and can be accurately described. If the patient cannot be specific, then his trouble is not organic, but mental, all of which does not imply that he suffers less actual pain. Indeed, Dr. McRae stated that this patient may easily be the most ill patient in the clinic or hospital and certainly this is not the doctor's cue to prescribe a sedative and proffer a few hopeful words, promoting in the patient's mind a state simulating a cure. Dr. McRae did not minimize the importance of sedation in the psychiatric field and the treatment of the nervous patient, but he said what was equally important was that the patient understand that he must help himself and that all medication was a supportive, secondary and temporary measure.

In referring the neurotic patient to the psychiatrist, Dr. McRae explained it is just as necessary to be tactful in the approach as when any other seriously ill patient is referred to a specialist. If the doctor is going to refer the pa-

tient let the specialist elect the type of treatment to be employed—Shock therapy is not administered across the consultation desk!

One word of caution from Dr. McRae—Don't permit the neurotic to become possessive to the extent that he interferes with professional routine and monopolizes leisure time, else the doctor himself will be relaxing on the Psychiatric Couch!

STUART G. MACKENZIE, *Secretary*

Public Relations (Negative) In Action

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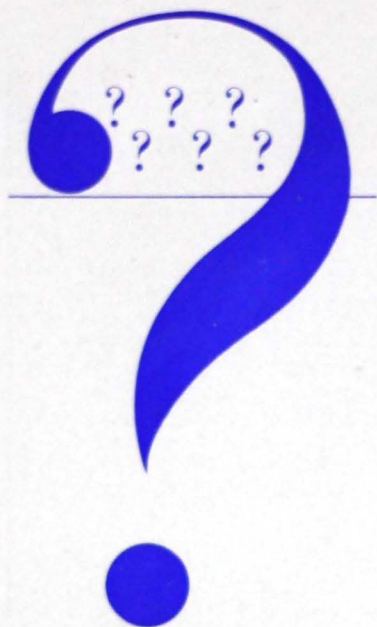
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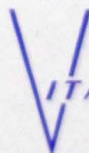
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