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EDITORIAL PAGE

Those Lawsuit Blues

Moaning low about malpractice rates? Then, if you remember your Gilbert and Sullivan, you can join in as Dr. Milton J. Chatton of San Jose, Calif., chants his special parody* of "Tit-Willow," from "The Mikado."

If you think consultations are "extra expense,"
Malpractice insurance is costly.
If you give verbal orders to those who are dense,
Malpractice insurance is costly.
If you leave for the country without substitute,
Or you give the impression you don't "give a hoot,"
I'll tell you now, Doctor, you're in for a suit.
Malpractice insurance is costly.

If you fail to X-ray all those fractures of bones,
Malpractice insurance is costly.
If you choose to do pelvics without chaperones,
Malpractice insurance is costly.
If you criticize colleagues for work they have done,
Or call yourself the indispensable one,
I'll tell you now, Doctor, attorneys will run.
Malpractice insurance is costly.

If you shoot off your mouth when your patients confide,
Malpractice insurance is costly.
If you dare to make house calls when "pickled or pied,"
Malpractice insurance is costly.
If you cut open patients with greatest of ease,
And your only intent is collection of fees,
I'll tell you now, Doctor, start shaking your knees.
Malpractice insurance is costly.

* Courtesy of the Santa Clara County Medical Society.

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1955 Annual Convention of Texas Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons to be Held at the Rice Hotel in Houston

The annual convention of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons will start promptly at 9:00 A. M., Thursday, May 12, 1955. In this issue of the JOURNAL we are carrying the pictures and autobiographies of a number of the participants on the program which will include the participation of twenty-one different speakers. The specialty societies have shown a great deal of interest in the program that will be held May 13 and 14 in the morning.

Friday morning the Texas Society of Osteopathic Surgery and the Texas Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology will be honored by the appearance of Dr. H. C. Baldwin who is certified in general surgery and is engaged in the practice of surgery in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He will be ably assisted by Dr. Leslie A. McClimans who limits his practice to obstetrics in Dallas, Texas. The subject will be "Cancer of the Uterine Cervix."

The Texas Obstetrical Radiological Society will have as their speaker, Dr. John H. Pulker, President of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology. He will speak on "Pitfalls of X-Ray Diagnosis."

The Texas Society of Osteopathic General Practitioners will have as their speaker, Dr. William Baldwin, Jr., of Philadelphia. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the American College of Osteopathic Internists and his subject will be "Endocrine Treatment for the General Practitioners."

The Southwestern Association of Osteopathic Pediatricians will have an organized meeting during this same period from 9:00 until 10:30 A. M.

The Texas and Oklahoma Osteopathic E.E.N.T. Society will have Dr. Francis M. Funk as their speaker; the subject to be announced at a later date.

The specialty groups will again meet on Saturday morning, May 14 from 9:00 to 10:00 A. M.

Mr. M. J. Flahive will speak before the Texas Osteopathic Radiological Society and the Texas Society of General Practitioners and will discuss the compensation laws as they apply to the physician. The E.E.N.T. Society will have Dr. Harold A. Beckwith of San Antonio, Texas as their speaker. The other specialty groups will conduct a business meeting during this period.



John H. Pulker, D. O., will take part in the symposium on Laboratory Aids in Diagnosis, the symposium on renal diseases and the athletic symposium. He will be an added feature on the program presented by the Texas Osteopathic Radiological Society.

Dr. Pulker is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy and Surgery. He is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Radiology and served as Vice President of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology in 1952. He is the current President of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology.

William Baldwin, Jr., D. O., will be the moderator for the symposium on Laboratory Aids in Diagnosis and for the symposium on renal disease. He will also speak on these subjects as well as speaking on "Office Treatment of the Common Cardiac Disorders." Dr. Baldwin will appear on the program for the general practitioners on Friday morning, May 13.

Dr. Baldwin is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy and Surgery. He is Chairman of the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology at the Philadelphia College and is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Internists, Chairman of the Committee on Accreditation of Post Graduate Training of the American Osteopathic Association and a member of the Board of Trustees for the American College of Osteopathic Internists.

March, 1955



Gordon S. Beckwith, D. O., will discuss "Indications for Nephrectomy" as a part of the symposium on renal diseases.

Dr. Beckwith is a graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, and is certified in surgery by the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons. He is now Chairman of the Department of Surgery at the San Antonio Osteopathic Hospital in San Antonio, Texas.



Chas. M. Hawes, D. O., will speak at the athletic symposium on Saturday morning, May 14. He will participate in the forum on the treatment of knee injuries preceding the athletic luncheon.

Dr. Hawes is a graduate of the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, and served residencies at the Dallas General and Detroit Osteopathic Hospitals, respectively. He is a member of the American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics and is a Candidate in the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons. Dr. Hawes serves as a consultant in orthopedics at the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital in Fort Worth and at the Stevens Park Osteopathic

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Hospital in Dallas, Texas. He is an active member of the surgical and orthopedic departments of the Dallas Osteopathic Hospital.



Dr. John P. Delaplane will be one of the speakers on the Public Health symposium, discussing animal vectors in relation to human disease.

Dr. Delaplane is a doctor of veterinary medicine and completed his post-graduate studies at Ohio State University. He is at the present time professor and head of the Department of Veterinary Bacteriology and Hygiene at Texas A. & M. College, and is actively engaged in research, assisting the Texas State Health Department in discovering the importance of turkeys in spreading ornithosis in man. Dr. Delaplane is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, Poultry Science Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine.

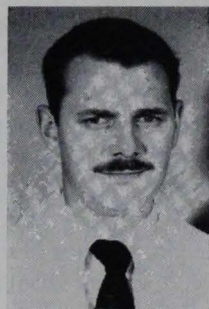
L. P. Walter, M. D., will participate in the Public Health Symposium discussing the duties of the physician to his local health authorities.

Dr. Walter is a graduate of the school of medicine at Tulane University, and his post-graduate work included study at John Hopkins University. He is a Diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners and is certified by the American Board of Preventive Medicine. Dr. Walter is now State Director of Local Health Services and Communicable Disease Control.



Myron S. Magen, D. O., will discuss communicable disease, taking part in the Public Health symposium.

Dr. Magen is a graduate of the Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and Surgery. His pediatric residency was completed at the Still College Hospital. He is an active member of the staff of both Dallas Osteopathic and Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospitals in Dallas, Texas and limits his practice to the field of pediatrics.



George E. Miller, D. O., will speak to the general sessions on Thursday morning, May 12. His subject is entitled, "Evaluation of Liver Function by Laboratory Findings," a part of the symposium on Laboratory Aids in Diagnosis.

Dr. Miller is a graduate of the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery and trained in pathology at the Chicago College. He is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Pathology. At present, Dr. Miller is head of the Department of Pathology at the Dallas

Osteopathic Hospital and consulting pathologist to numerous osteopathic hospitals in Texas.



K. S. Wooliscroft, D. O., will present a talk as part of the symposium on renal diseases.

Dr. Wooliscroft was graduated from the Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and Surgery. He received his surgical training at the Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital and training in urology was completed at the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery. His practice is limited to the field of urology and proctology in Dallas, Texas.

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Panhandle Child Health Clinic

The 10th Annual Child Health Clinic of the Panhandle District will be held May 20, 21, 1955 in the Herring Hotel, Amarillo. Dr. Virginia Ellis, diagnostic pediatrician, and Dr. Ralph I. McRae, neuro-psychiatrist, will be the visiting coordinators.

Members of the general planning committee are: Dr. and Mrs. John H. Kemplin, Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Robinson and Dr. and Mrs. Donald Eakin.

An Interesting Case

By GARRY W. TAYLOR, D. O.



Finger before amputation.



Finger after amputation. The first phalanx was removed at the corporal phalangeal junction. No attempt was made to close the stump.

Mr. J. H. was examined November 30, 1953 with the following history. About two weeks ago, the patient accused a man of stealing his paint spray equipment and the man politely grabbed the left hand of J. H. and bit the distal

phalanx of the ring finger off. At this time, J. H. consulted a physician, who dressed his finger, gave him a prophylactic injection of tetanus, and morphine sulphate gr. $\frac{1}{4}$ and dismissed the patient. Due to pain of the finger, three days later, J. H. consulted a physician again, who gave him an injection of penicillin and stated that his finger was infected. He then advised J. H. to return three days later for further treatment. In the meantime, J. H. developed an elevated temperature and stated that the finger, arm, and hand began to swell and pain him terribly. He consulted the physician again, who advised him to be hospitalized in one of the larger cities of the state to consult a surgeon. The surgeon examined the patient, gave him more penicillin tablets to take and sent him home. When the patient was examined in this office, he had an elevation of temperature of 101° , pulse 98, respiration 24. The throat was negative to inspection, chest was negative to auscultation, heart rate increased but no murmurs were heard. The abdomen was negative to examination. The remaining portion of the third finger on the left hand was greatly enlarged with a large amount of greenish black discoloration.

There was free pus oozing from the open lesion. The palmar and dorsal area of the hand was greatly edematous and there was evidence of free pus in the

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extensor sheaths of the hand. The arm and forearm were greatly enlarged, red and edematous. Lymph nodes could not be palpated in the anticubital space due to the edema, axillary lymph nodes were greatly enlarged. The laboratory report showed Red Blood Count 3,800,000, Hemoglobin 11.4 grams, White Blood Count 15,000, Stabs 5, Seg 78, Lymphs 11, and Monos 6. The urinalysis was negative except for an occasional White Blood Cell. Bacteriology slide of the pus revealed a mixed infection of gram positive and gram negative organism to be present. Diagnosis was made of infected gangrene of the third finger of the left hand with generalized septicemia.

Due to the generalized septicemia and poor condition of the patient, immediate amputation of the finger was not advisable. The finger was incised well above the first phalanx and a continuous drip of warm Dakins solution was applied to the finger for local treatment. The patient was given terramycin capsules 500 mgm. every six hours, penicillin streptomycin S.R.D. every twelve hours, and a repeated dose of tetanus gas gangrene antitoxin. Demerol was prescribed for pain and the patient was encouraged to force fluids. The following twenty-four hours, the patient ran a septic tem-

perature spiking to 103.2° with pulse 104, and respiration 24. At the end of forty-eight hours of treatment, the patient's temperature was 99.2°, pulse had dropped to 80, and respiration was 20. The patient was feeling much improved, the edema in the arm was less, however, the forearm was still edematous and red. On examination of the hand, the infection appeared to be localized in the extensor surface of the hand and the finger. The white count had dropped to 12,600.

With the patient's general improvement, amputation of the finger was thought to be advisable. The patient was removed to surgery and the gangrenous finger amputated at the metacarpophalangeal junction. The amputation was a guillotine type and only the largest bleeders were ligated. No attempt was made to close the skin of the amputated stump. The finger was dressed and the patient returned to his room. Medical treatment of antibiotics was continued, another prophylactic injection of tetanus, gas gangrene was administered. The patient became afebrile the second post-operative day. The fourth post-operative day, the arm, forearm, and most of the hand had reduced to normal size. The patient was dismissed on the fifth post-operative day.

General Practitioners to Meet

The State General Practitioners Association will hold their Spring meeting on Sunday, March 27 at the Hotel Texas, Fort Worth, from 10:30 to 4:30. There will be a dinner for the group at noontime.

The theme for this day's program will be Pediatrics—for the General Practitioner. Interesting problem cases will be presented from the Child Health Clinic which takes place two days previously. Speakers for the day will be Myron D. Jones, D. O., Kansas City; Charles M. Hawes, D. O., Ralph I. McRae, D. O., and Myron S. Magen, D. O., of Dallas.

This program is being set up in the interest of general practitioners and it is hoped by the planning committee, that members and non-members too, will take advantage of the opportunity to hear this fine group of speakers.

After dismissal, the patient was advised that further repair would probably be necessary on the amputated stump. The patient was advised to return for dressings three days after dismissal. The stump was dressed approximately every three days for the following fifteen days. The stump healed so well that the patient has refused further surgery. Last examination of J. H. revealed good healing of the stump and complete range of motion in all remaining fingers of the left hand.

In conclusion, I wish to state that I think this to be an interesting case due to first, etiology; second, the lack of care that was given to a human bite, which is probably one of the most infectious of all wounds. This bite could have cost the patient his life or an arm instead of the complete loss of one finger.

KCOS Offers Fellowships

A limited number of Fellowships available to selected students who are willing to take two calendar years for one academic year, or in limited instances, three calendar years for two academic years, have been announced by the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery. Undergraduate fellows of the College will serve as assistants in various areas of teaching and research which will involve opportunities for special study and training in the areas assigned.

Appointments are for not less than two years of twelve months each, with

a two-week vacation with pay. Stipends are subject to individual arrangements. An applicant must have spent at least one year as a full-time undergraduate student or a full-time employee of the College. Applications or inquiries should be filed in writing with Dr. M. D. Warner, Dean of the College, specifying Division (anatomy, pathology, physiology, osteopathic medicine, surgery) and type of activity (teaching or research) of major interest.

President's Prize Offered For Best Rural Clinic Paper

Pointing up the increasing interest in the expanding program of the Rural Extension Clinics of the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery is the recent announcement of the President's Prize. President Morris Thompson is offering a prize of \$50 for the best publishable case report prepared by a senior student based on practice in the Rural Extension Clinic service and dealing with a case or cases in which distinctive osteopathic concepts and methods are central in diagnosis and treatment. The papers, which will be judged by a secret committee, are to be submitted to Clifton Cornwell, managing editor of the JOURNAL OF OSTEOPATHY, by May 1, 1955. Announcement of the winner will be made not later than the time of the spring graduating exercises.

Seniors who served in the Rural Extension Clinics the first six months, may submit a paper based upon a case or cases in their present service.

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Third Annual Child Health Clinic, Fort Worth, March 25 and 26



DR. MYRON D. JONES

Dr. Myron D. Jones will head the Third Annual Child Health Clinic in Fort Worth, March 25 and 26, as Pediatric Consultant. On March 26, he will also head the state program of the General Practitioners Association, at Fort Worth.

Dr. Jones was graduated from Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery in 1929. He received his internship at Lakeside Hospital in Kansas City and took his residency in Pediatrics at Philadelphia College of Osteopathy and Surgery. In 1952 he became certified in Pediatrics and now holds a senior membership in the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians. Dr. Jones is now a full-time member of the Department of Pediatrics at Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery.

We are privileged to have Dr. Jones serve as head of our clinic this year and feel that his assistance during the clinic and his lectures the next day will be a noteworthy contribution to this area.

Third Annual Child Health Clinic March 25-26, 1955 Hotel Texas

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Texans Honored



JERRY O. CARR, D. O.
Fort Worth, Texas

Dr. Jerry O. Carr was elected president of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists at its annual meeting held at Jacksonville, Florida in February of this year.

The degree of Fellow was also conferred on him.

Texas should feel honored at having one of its members as head of this progressive specialty group.



NOEL G. ELLIS, D. O.
Fort Worth, Texas

Dr. Noel G. Ellis was elected to the Board of Trustees of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Missouri DOs Gain Blue Shield Participation As of March 1

KANSAS CITY—Word has been received that as of March 1, osteopathic physicians practicing in the Kansas City Blue Shield area will be able to participate in the plan on the same basis as MDs. It is anticipated that the St. Louis area of Blue Cross will initiate a like program on the same date.

Last June the Blue Cross Corporate Boards of St. Louis and Kansas City ruled that members treated in osteopathic hospitals would receive full benefits.

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DEATHS

Dr. Russell L. Martin, 53 years of age, died at his home in Pittsburg, Texas, Saturday, February 19.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church at Mount Pleasant, Monday, February 21.

Dr. Martin attended high school in Dallas and SMU for premedical work. He was a graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery and interned at the Laughlin and ASO Hospitals.

Dr. Martin was licensed in Texas in 1929 and has continually practiced in Pittsburg or Mount Pleasant since his graduation.

He was a member of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners at the time of his death.

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Dr. T. H. Hoard, Jr., Denison, Texas, was killed Sunday night, March 13, 1955, in an automobile accident south of McKinney, Texas, while returning to Denison.

Accompanying Dr. Hoard was Dr. Charles A. Romans of Stratford, Oklahoma, who was also killed.

Passes Secretaries' Certifying Examination

Miss Gwendolyn Selsor, Assistant to the President of the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, has been notified recently that she passed the Certifying Examination for Secretaries sponsored by the National Secretaries Association.

The Association created the Institute for Certifying Secretaries in 1949 to develop professional status for secretaries. To be eligible to take the Certified Professional Secretary's examination, applicants must meet exacting standards regarding education and quality of work experience.

The examinations are conducted annually by from fifty to seventy-five colleges and universities over the United States, and a number of colleges are now offering courses to help applicants prepare for the examination.

The Institute states that 222 candidates successfully passed the 1954 CPS examination, making a total of 582 CPS holders in the United States, six of whom are located in Missouri. Miss Selsor has been invited to receive her certificate at a meeting of the St. Louis Chapter of the National Secretaries Association.

INVITATION OF AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC SOCIETY OF PROCTOLOGY

The American Osteopathic Society of Proctology extends a most cordial invitation to those interested in Proctology to attend the Annual Convention to be held April 14 to 16, 1955 at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia, Pa. We are arranging a most interesting and varied program, including televised proctologic surgery direct from the operating rooms of the Philadelphia Osteopathic Hospital, and cadaveric surgery direct from the dissection laboratory via TV screens. Bring your wife along so that she too can enjoy the planned tour of Historical Philadelphia. The Annual Banquet takes place on Friday, April 15, and offers you the combined good fellowship and good time you will long remember.

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University of Texas Office Course

John Julio Latini, D. O., was awarded a certificate by the Law-Science Institute (an institution sponsored by the School of Law and the School of Medicine, University of Texas) for having attended and successfully completed the Mid-Winter Law-Science short course on personal injury problems, (stressing back injuries and head injuries), and medicolegal trial techniques.

The midwinter course was conducted at the Law-Science Institute, University of Texas, Austin, from February 2-5 inclusive. The course was presented by specialists from the medical faculties, Brooke Army hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Scott-White clinic, medical specialists from Austin, members of the Law faculty and distinguished medical lecturers and trial counsel from other cities and states.

The course was designed for physicians, lawyers, and other persons professionally concerned with personal injury claims, and types of back and head injuries. The contents of the course was as follows:

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3. 26 panels; 75 presentations
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 - a. physiology
 - b. traumatology

- c. back injuries
- d. neuropsychiatry
- e. electroencephalography
- f. head injuries
- g. cardiovascular disease
- h. surgery
- i. radiology
- j. trial technique

Director of the Institute is Hubert Winston Smith, LLB., M.D., and anyone desiring information concerning future courses of this institute should feel free to contact Dr. Smith. It may be pointed out that as Osteopathic physicians who see a very large number and an increasingly greater percentage of back injuries, it would be wise to participate in such training programs to further qualify themselves as expert witnesses.

Several allopathic specialists admitted that a "large segment of the population" was being taken care of for the considered disabilities by Osteopathic physicians, and that the large insurance companies are daily becoming aware of this fact. Such action increases the possibilities of osteopathic general practitioners being called upon for expert testimony rather than allopathic orthopedists. More active participation of our Profession in such training programs would validate these possibilities. Dr. Love, Austin, who has appeared

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previously as an expert witness, also attended the sessions.

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However, since we who practice osteopathic medicine and surgery are aware of this cause and indeed owe a large part of our success to an active treatment of the cause, with its subsequent elimination, our value as an ex-

pert witness is proportionately increased. This increased value is appreciated by the plaintiff, who has trouble convincing allopaths that his back really does hurt, and to defendants, usually insurance companies, who are interested in returning an injured man to work as soon as possible.

It is a fact that D. O.'s are just beginning to enter this field of great potential, and we may see the day when a physician practising medicine and surgery with a D. O. degree to be called upon to render a more valuable opinion in the settlement of litigations, and be in greater confidence of the trial counselors than that physician who is an M. D.

With this thought in mind, D. O.'s would be called to court oftener to act as expert witness. We can best discharge this responsibility by active preparation. For this information, write to:

Hubert Winston Smith LL.B., M.D.
Director, Law-Science Institute
Professor of Law and Legal Medicine
University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY

APRIL 25 THROUGH 30, 1955

The Graduate Division of the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery announces another course in Electrocardiography for the week of April 25 through 30 under the direction of Dr. Jacob Rosen of the Faculty. This is a unique opportunity for both beginning and advanced electrocardiographers to learn a rationale of interpretation that does not depend on "pattern" reading.

Address inquiries to:

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Patients of Ottawa Arthritis Hospital Form Alumni Group

A Patients Alumni organization to raise funds for the treatment of arthritis unable to pay for institutional care was started early this year by patients of the Ottawa (Ill.) Arthritis Hospital and Diagnostic Clinic.

The idea was originated by Mrs. Mary Sawyer, a patient from Phoenix, Arizona.

Four different kinds of membership were set up with fees ranging from \$3.00 per year for general membership to \$50.00 for life membership.

Due to the widespread geographical distribution of patients' homes, further details of the organization's operations are being worked out between patients by mail.

Even though the organization is not yet formally constituted, several hundred dollars have already been donated. This sum is being held in trust until all rules for disbursements have been established.

DO Legislator Urges New Narcotics Laws

CHICAGO (AOA)—Sen. Stephen Teale (D.-West Point) of the California Legislature, who is an osteopathic physician, recently introduced two measures in the Senate for handling narcotics addicts.

One would empower courts to send addicts to hospitals or clinics for extended treatment instead of sending them to jail. The other would expand the State Alcoholics Rehabilitation Commission to include drug addicts.

Respiration Monitor for Infants Invented By PCO Obstetrician

CHICAGO (AOA)—A respiration monitor which sends out both audible and visible signals when an infant isn't breathing properly was demonstrated by its co-inventor, Dr. Lester Eisenberg,

at the 22nd annual convention of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists in Jacksonville Fla.

The device, which resembles a portable radio and weighs about six pounds, goes into action at the slightest change in a baby's breathing. Its unveiling at the convention drew favorable comments and national publicity.

Dr. Eisenberg, department of obstetrics and gynecology at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, developed the alarm system along with Mr. Harold Warner, an electronics engineer of Holmes, Pa.

A more comprehensive article, including a picture of the working model, will be incorporated into a feature article on the A.C.O.O.&G. meeting in the April issue of THE FORUM.

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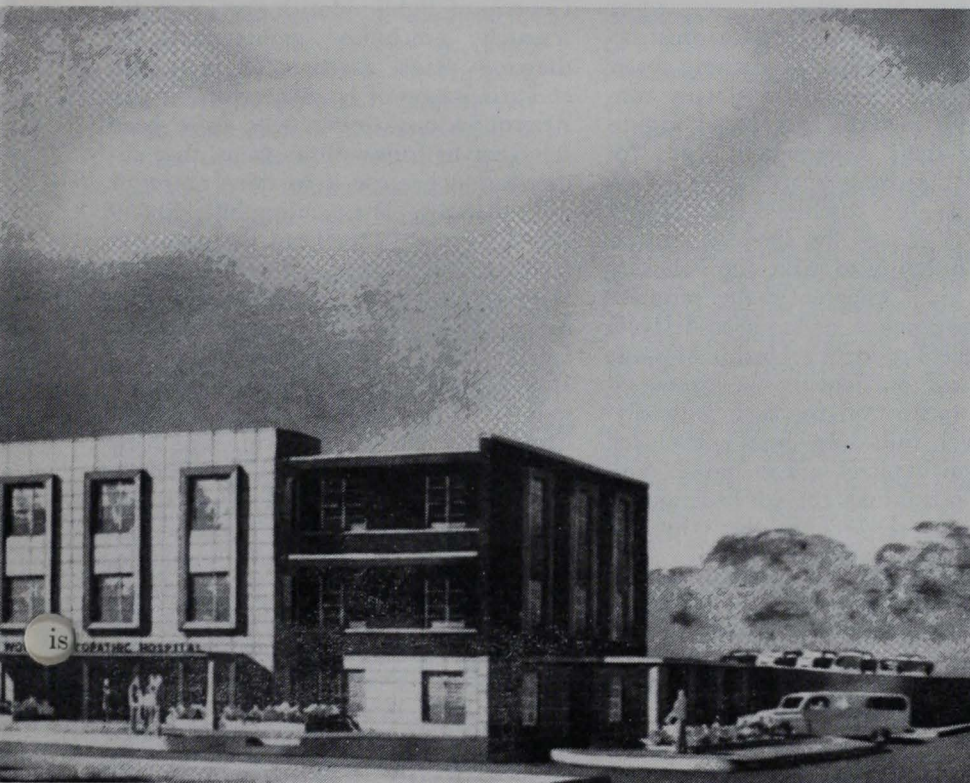


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Washington News Letter

At his request we conferred with the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service last November 22 regarding Federal aid to our colleges for construction of needed additional teaching space. The Surgeon General had already conferred with medical and dental groups regarding their construction needs for additional teaching space. It was expected that the combined data might result in a request by the Administration for authority to make the necessary grants-in-aid. Apparently the program did not materialize, or has been delayed, because the President's Health Message to Congress on January 31 contained no recommendation for such authority.

However, bills have been introduced for Federal grants-in-aid to certain non-Federal institutions for construction of facilities for research in the crippling

and killing diseases. In 1950, Congress passed a law authorizing the Surgeon General of Public Health Service to aid research "(including grants-in-aid for drawing plans, erection of buildings, and acquisition of land therefor)". The Appropriations Committees have been reluctant to follow-through on that authorization because it contains no terms or limitations. The pending bills, S. 849 and H. R. 3459, spell out the necessary terms and limitations. The bill S. 849 was introduced by Senator Hill of Alabama, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, and also Chairman of the Health Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and Senator Bridges of New Hampshire, who is the ranking Minority Member of the Senate Appropriations Committee. H. R. 3459 was introduced by Congressman Priest of Tennessee, who is Chairman of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, which considers health legislation. The legislation authorizes \$30 million each year for the next three years, with the restriction that no grant-in-aid shall exceed one-half of the cost of construction, including plans and specifications, of the research facilities, or one-half of the cost of installation of the equipment, as the case may be. The legislation has an excellent chance of enactment during this session, and appropriations under it likewise may be available this year.

The bills are identical. They add a new title VII, entitled Medical Research Facilities, to the Public Health Service Act. Section 702 of the proposed new title reads as follows:

"PURPOSE

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stitutions, engaged in or competent to engage in research, for the purpose of defraying the cost of construction of facilities, or the installation of equipment, needed for the conduct of research into the causes of and possible cures for crippling and killing diseases, including cancer, heart disease, poliomyelitis, nervous disorders, mental illness, arthritis and rheumatism, blindness, cerebral palsy, and muscular dystrophy."

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SELECTIVE SERVICE

H. R. 3005, which passed the House on February 8, 1955, extends the power to induct under the Draft Act, technically known as the Universal Military Training and Service Act, from July 1, 1955 to July 1, 1959. Registration would continue whether inductions were taking place, since the Draft Act is permanent law. An amendment relieving from re-induction, except in time of full mobilization, persons who have served six months since September 16, 1940, was adopted. The amendment does not apply to *special* registrants or to persons who served less than 24 months in the Public Health Service. Another amendment relieves National Guardsmen of obligation to serve after

age 26 provided they have been a member of the National Guard for a minimum of 7½ years. A third amendment refers to agricultural deferments and prohibits the existence or non-existence of a surplus of any agricultural commodity as a consideration for deferment.

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H. R. 2886 would extend the Doctors' Draft Act from July 1, 1955 until July 1, 1957. No hearings have been scheduled on this bill. The Selective Service System has inducted, during the operation of the Doctors' Draft, 46 doctors of medicine, 28 dentists, and 3 veterinarians who refused to apply for or accept commissions in the Armed Services.

A February 1955 Report to the Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization titled "Mobilization and Health Manpower", prepared by the ODM Health Resources Advisory Committee, apparently is in opposition to extension of the Doctors' Draft. The Report is so interesting in this and other pertinent respects that excerpts appeared to be in order, as follows:

The number of physicians in the Armed Forces stood in June 1954 at about 11,100. The planned reduction in the size of the Armed Forces, together with the planned physician-

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troop ratios of 3.2 per 1,000 (including interns and residents), should mean a total requirement of some 9,400 by June 1955.

In fiscal year 1956 and thereafter it is possible that a level of 9,400 could be maintained without special draft legislation, and that the military needs could be met entirely from the supply of young graduates who are liable under the regular draft law.

Full Mobilization

The foregoing estimates for the years 1955-1957 are based on the assumption that the strength of the Armed Forces will remain at the present announced goal for 1955 — 2,940,000 troop strength.

To provide medical service at a ratio of 3.2 per 1,000 troops at higher mobilization levels would require physicians as follows:

Troop Strength	Physicians
5,000,000	16,000
7,500,000	24,000
10,000,000	32,000
12,500,000	40,000

IN APPRECIATION

To Dr. W. Herbert Locke for the gift of 42 volumes of medical books to the new State Office library.

If other members would do the same this library would be complete very quickly. Surely every member of the association has books that they can afford to put in this library.

To Dr. Noel G. Ellis, Dr. Virginia Ellis and Dr. R. R. Ellis for 8 volumes to the library.

To Mr. David G. Myles of Gulf Coast Office Outfitters, Houston, Texas, for his assistance in helping to furnish the library.

Staffing of Medical Schools

A basic problem in the increase or even the maintenance of medical school enrollment is the maintenance of teaching staff in those schools.

Medical schools find it difficult to maintain adequate staffs. The problem is an intricate one, with financing and the shortage of qualified health manpower both playing an important part.

In 1951, the Health Resources Advisory Committee in cooperation with the Association of American Medical Colleges made a detailed study of the staffing of medical schools in the United States. This gave a comprehensive national picture of the numbers and distribution of faculty members, and of their potential liability for military service. The following is a summary of this study.

A staff of 15,563 teachers and research workers, including almost 14,000 physicians, held faculty appointments in 72 four-year medical schools and 7 schools of the basic sciences (first 2 years of medical education) in the United States in February 1951 (including all faculty members, exclusive of residents, with rank of instructor or higher who devoted 25 hours or more annually in teaching, research or administration at a medical school). Total enrollment in these schools was about 26,000, but many of the faculty members were responsible as well for graduate education of physicians and for some teaching of nurses and other health personnel.

Most medical schools rely heavily upon part-time personnel, especially for instruction in clinical subjects. In the 1951 survey, medical faculties included 3,933 (for purposes of this study, persons who reported 1,920 hours a year or more were considered as having full-time appointments—40 hours a week, 48 weeks a year) members with full-time and 11,630 members with part-time appointments. Eighty percent of the physicians faculty members were serving on a part-time basis, and 32

percent of the non-physician faculty members.

Many of the 11,630 part-time faculty members devoted relatively little time to teaching. More than half of them gave less than 300 hours per year to medical school activities. . .

Medical School Staffing Standards

The Joint Committee on Medical Education in Time of National Emergency has proposed a national emergency staffing standard of one equivalent full-time faculty member for every four preclinical students and one equivalent full-time faculty member for every three clinical students—29 equivalent full-time faculty members per 100 students. Only 21 of the 72 four-year medical schools reported staffing which met this standard. . .

Faculty Shortages

The average four-year medical school was staffed with 26 full-time equivalent faculty members per 100 students in February 1951. The most heavily staffed school reported 62 full-time equivalent faculty members per 100 students, while the low school had only 10 per 100. . .

Comparison with 1942

Data available from a study made by the Procurement and Assignment Service of the War Manpower Commission in 1942 (at which time 42,000 physicians were in military service) indicates that faculty student ratios were then very slightly better than at the present time.

The average approved four-year medical school in 1942 reported 325 students and a faculty of 210 individuals. Its 1951 counterpart had 350 students and a faculty of 215 full-time and part-time members.

Thus, in the nine-year period the average school increased its students by 8 percent, its faculty by only 2 percent.

The number and hours of part-time faculty apparently were about the same in 1951 as in 1942. . .

March, 1955

Community Health Week

March 21 through 27 will be promoted as Community Health Week by the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the National Health Council. Your local chapter of the Jaycees will carry out a program which will encourage health fairs and forums, special editions of local newspapers, open houses in official and voluntary agencies, television and radio programs and various school health projects, in an effort to familiarize the people of your community with the health resources available to them.

We think it a good idea to encourage local osteopathic groups to contact their local Jaycee chapters immediately to offer them help by way of participating in this community project.

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New DO Practice Bill Before Minnesota Legislature

ST. PAUL.—Minnesota, a limited practice state for osteopathic physicians, recently had a bill introduced to the legislature by five Representatives calling for the abolition of the State Board of Osteopathy and the licensing of DOs by an enlarged State Board of Medical Examiners.

It provides for an increase from seven to nine in the membership to the Board of Medical Examiners, with the two new appointees to be doctors of osteopathy. They would be appointed for terms ending May 1, 1956, and May 1, 1958 and thereafter for seven year terms.

Under the proposed law, all DOs licensed to practice by the Board of Medical Examiners after its passage would receive a license to practice medicine and surgery. DOs now licensed by the Board of Osteopathy, which would be abolished by the proposed law, must apply within 90 days after the effective date of the act to the Board of Medical Examiners and would be issued a license to practice medicine and minor surgery.

Such physicians could apply for a license to practice major surgery in addition by presenting evidence of having completed two years of post-graduate training.

Intern Finds Unique Use for AOA Films

CHICAGO (AOA)—Dr. Dean R. Olson, an intern at Carson City (Mich.) Hospital, has found a new and effective use for the films, "For a Better Tomorrow" and "Physician and Surgeon, D. O." He recently booked the former for a showing in the community in which he soon hopes to establish practice.

"Audience appreciated film as a medium of education regarding the scope of osteopathic education and practice.

It served me very well in acquainting a new community with osteopathy and in preparing a more understanding community in which to establish practice," he reported.

Both of these films contain the same footage portraying the wide scope of osteopathic education and practice and are available without charge (except for transportation) from The Osteopathic Foundation, 212 East Ohio Street, Chicago 11.

Representative Revives Bill For Medical School Grants

CHICAGO (AOA)—An article in the February issue of *WASHINGTON REPORT ON THE MEDICAL SCIENCES* points out that Rep. M. G. Burnside (D-W. Va.) revived his \$300 million, 5-year plan to give government a role in construction of new medical schools and improvement of existing ones.

One half of the \$300 million would be apportioned among qualified institutions of learning in the health professions, including teaching hospitals and dental schools, as well as medical colleges.

It was also pointed out in this issue that Senators Lester Hill (D.-Ala.) and Styles Bridges (R.-N.H.) are co-sponsoring a bill which authorizes \$30 million annually for three years to stimulate building, modernization and equipping of laboratories in professional schools, hospitals and other non-profit institutions.

Schools of medicine, dentistry and osteopathy are specifically mentioned in the bill as prospective beneficiaries. It was pointed out the bill's chances of passage are good.

For funds distribution purposes, the country would be divided into four regions, each to receive almost equal amounts annually. Grants would be up to 50 per cent of the project's total cost.

1955 Christmas Seal Campaign To Mark Silver Anniversary

CHICAGO (AOA) — Osteopathy's twenty-fifth annual Christmas seal is now in process of production, in early preparation for the 1955 campaign, according to an announcement by E. H. McKenna, D. O., Muskegon Heights, Mich., chairman of the Committee on Christmas Seals of The Osteopathic Foundation.

The design, chosen at a recent meeting of the Committee, is done in the modern manner, in Christmas red and green, with a snow-laden Christmas tree as its motif.

To mark the anniversary year, the design incorporates a symbolic design which, according to committee plans, will become an identifying feature of successive seal campaigns.

Program Now Complete For 59th AOA Convention

CHICAGO (AOA)—Dr. W. Donald Baker, Los Angeles, program chairman for the 59th annual convention of the American Osteopathic Association, reports that the program is complete for the Convention Instruction Courses opening July 5 at the College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and for the Convention Teaching Sessions, which will begin July 18 at the Statler hotel.

The Bureau of Conventions announced that mailing of advance registration materials was completed Feb. 10 and that all members of the AOA would receive an individual copy of the forms as well as a description of the Convention Instruction Courses and Teaching Sessions.

Advance registration and hotel accommodation forms are being returned to the Bureau of Conventions for processing, as are forms for advance registration fee for members of the Auxiliary to the AOA.

March, 1955

False Point — Counter Point

FALSE POINT: "The word 'medical' usually is used by the public synonymously with a certain specific organization and its affiliates, i. e., 'the American Medical Association.'"

COUNTER POINT: Not so. In studying the literature (newspapers, books, magazine articles) and in listening to radio and television talks, the word "medical is far more often used to designate *generally* things pertaining to the highly respected movement in the world which concerns itself with the health and diseases of the inhabitants of the world.

The writer invites all D. O.'s to start small surveys of their own along this same line. It must be borne in mind that from where we sit it may at first appear otherwise. This, it is felt, is because to us we are so accustomed to using the word "medical" to designate our old political "rivals". So, consequently, because we usually use this word "medical" (improperly limiting it), only with other D. O.'s, or patients, or relatives who use it as we do that it is difficult to see its meaning otherwise.

Let's remember, there is "The British Medical Association," etc. "The National Medical Association", "The Veterinarian Medical Association", "The Florida and Kentucky Osteopathic Medical Associations," which are not A.M.A. affiliates.

RICHARD S. KOCH, D. O.,
President

KCOS Holds First Meeting On Minister-Physician Relationship

The first in a series of All-College Meetings in which representatives of the Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish faiths will speak on the important relationships between the minister and the physician was held at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery January 11.

MY SON IS FOUR

(From The Kansas Osteopathic Bulletin, July 1954)

My son is four. He is a great little fellow, just beginning to think things out for himself, and to run into some of the more complicated problems, like which shoe goes on which foot. I hope that life continues to present complications to him, because generally speaking, the more complicated we find life, the more important position we occupy in life.

My son may wish to follow in the footsteps of those who might be said to live on life's complications; he may someday want to be a physician. If this is his choice; if he does decide that he wishes to take his place among us as an osteopathic physician, what will he find awaiting him?

Will there be proud and qualified institutions, keeping up in a modern world, being maintained as first-class medical colleges?

Or will he find that progress has been slow or absent; that something is lacking here and there; that equipment and buildings are old-fashioned and outmoded; and that we must assume an apologetic air when speaking about our institutions?

The answer lies in your hands and mine.

As we each, in his own time and in his own heart, seek and find the answer, it must be always the same: First, we need money; and secondly, we need a personal dedication to the principles of osteopathic science.

Our schools cannot drop behind if we are to continue our progress in the field of medical care. They are today the result of the careful use of funds available, plus borrowing to cover the unpaid balance. It will require about a million dollars above operational income, this year and every year, to gradually pay off the debt, keep the colleges in operation and provide only minimum foreseeable improvements.

I hope this lad does have the chance to become a Doctor of Osteopathy. Have we each done our part to see that my son and your son has the same opportunity in the future that you and I had in the past?

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Sincerely,

J. F. DUFFY, D. O.

Chairman,
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AUXILIARY NEWS

Auxiliary District One

District 1 auxiliary of Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons met at the Amarillo Hotel, February 13, 1955. Mrs. John C. Kemplin, president-elect, presided.

Dr. Howard Baldwin, Tulsa, Oklahoma, addressed the auxiliary and explained the recent advances made in heart study and treatment.

Mrs. John L. Witt, Groom, Texas, president of state auxiliary, told of visits made to other districts during the past year. Present were: Mrs. Wm. R. Ballard, Jr., Mrs. E. W. Cain, Mrs. J. H. Chandler, Mrs. Donald L. Eakin, Mrs. John C. Kemplin, Mrs. J. H. Kritzler, Mrs. John V. London, Mrs. E. H. Mann, Mrs. Glenn R. Scott, Mrs. L. J. Vick, and Mrs. John L. Witt.

A contribution was made to the Osteopathic Progress Fund.

Mrs. G. Welton Gress was elected delegate to the National Convention in Los Angeles with Mrs. J. H. Chandler as alternate.

There is to be a called district auxiliary meeting March 22 at the home of Mrs. L. J. Vick in honor of Mrs. John L. Witt, State President. We are all looking forward to a pleasant evening with Mrs. Witt.

By MRS. DONALD L. EAKIN
Secretary

Auxiliary District Two

The auxiliary to Fort Worth District 2 of Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons held its annual monthly meeting at the Worth Hotel, Fort Worth, Sunday, February 27, 1955. Mrs. C. E. Dickey presided. Mrs. Howard Buxton was program chairman.

The guest speaker was Dr. Archie L. Garrison, Port Arthur, Texas, president March, 1955

of Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

Mrs. Rollins, mother of Mrs. Henry Roberts of Denton, Texas, was a guest.

Officers elected: president, Mrs. Chas. L. Curry; president-elect, Mrs. R. B. Beyer; recording secretary, Mrs. J. W. Rhoades; treasurer, Mrs. Paul D. Graham; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Henry Benner.

Mrs. Rutha Orr Cooper gave a book review, "The Gentle House".

The new national charter from the national auxiliary was presented. The new constitution and bylaws were read.

The next meeting will be March 15, 1955, at Ridglea Country Club at which the new officers will be installed.

Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital Guild had a barbecue supper and Bingo party Saturday, March 5, 1955 at the Riverside Lions Club as a fund raising event and it was a great success. The attendance was good and everyone had a fine time.

The Tarrant County group are well in the midst of their plans for the Third Annual Child Health Clinic here in Fort Worth. We can always use some extra help if there is any around.

Would like more news next month if any one has some.

MARY LUIBEL (MRS. GEO. J.)

Auxiliary District Five

The Dallas County Auxiliary and District Auxiliary met together February 24. Before their business meeting they joined the men for a very interesting speech given by Dr. A. L. Garrison, state president.

The Dallas Osteopathic Hospital Guild met March 7 at the new Professional Building on Ross Avenue. The program was given by Mrs. Sabatini of

Sabatini Nursery and Landscaping, on Spring Gardening and Planting.

Mrs. Joe DePetris and Mrs. J. N. Stewart attended the district meeting in Fort Worth February 27.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Winslow recently visited Mrs. Winslow's sister in Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Waldo Frankenstein visited her parents in Des Moines, Iowa, this past month.

Mrs. R. J. Madziar and son are visiting Mrs. Madziar's parents in South Bend, Indiana.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph McRae recently returned from Des Moines, Iowa, where Dr. McRae addressed the members of the Cranial Association.

Congratulations to Mrs. McRae on the opening of her new Art Studio, February 1 on the 20th floor of the Davis Building, 2022 Main Street.

Dr. Robert Morgan attended a Rehabilitation meeting of American Legion in Washington, D. C., the last of February.

Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm Snell recently had as house guests, Mrs. Snell's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Kieth Ross from Kansas City, Missouri, and Mrs. Snell's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Millemon of Bethany, Missouri.

Dr. Leslie McClimans' mother from Greenville, Pennsylvania, is visiting in the McClimans home.

Mrs. H. G. Swords' brother, Kenneth Eitel of Kirksville, Missouri, has been visiting in the Swords home. Also Mrs. Swords' sister, Mrs. Ken Burns, and son of Elmer, Missouri.

Mrs. George Miller's sister, niece and cousin from Norman, Oklahoma, are visiting in the Miller home. Mrs. Miller's mother will return home with them, she has been with the Millers since Christmas.

Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Candas moved into their new Dallas home last month.

Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Nystrom are moving into their new home this month.

MRS. HARVEY SWORDS,
Reporter

Auxiliary District Six

The regular meeting of district 6 auxiliary was held at the Plaza Hotel March 5 at 4 p. m. A dinner followed the business meeting.

Traveling D. O. Houstonians this month were: Dr. and Mrs. John Horan to Matamoros, Mexico; Dr. and Mrs. Lester Tavel to Corpus Christi; Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Alexander to their weekend home in Wimberley.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Badger have a reason to be proud and happy, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lee W. Badger, having recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

MRS. J. J. CHOATE, *Reporter*

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Auxiliary District Eleven

On March 3 a business meeting and luncheon was held in the home of Mrs. John Reznikov. At this time we were given our state directories and literature pertaining to Osteopathy as a profession which is to be placed in the vocational guidance section of the libraries in our public schools.

Mrs. John Witt, our state president, was with us and addressed the group. After lunch everyone gathered around the piano and we had an hour of informal harmonizing on songs of days gone by. Later several of the members accompanied by Mrs. Witt went to Juarez, Old Mexico, for a sight-seeing tour and souvenirs.

Everyone is looking forward to the convention in Houston. Hope we see you there.

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Auxiliary District Twelve

The Auxiliary to district 12 of the Texas Association of the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons met February 17, with their husbands at the club room of the Crown Drive Inn restaurant for a dinner meeting.

Mrs. A. L. Garrison presided during the business session. Plans were made

for a box supper at Clark's ranch on Cow Bayou March 17.

Members present were: Mrs. John Eitel, Mrs. R. E. Ensign, Mrs. Tyra A. Morgan, Mrs. R. B. Shields, Mrs. W. H. Sorenson, Mrs. Wayne M. Stevenson, Mrs. John Ruffa, Mrs. Grover Stukey, Mrs. K. R. Watkins, Mrs. J. E. Barnett and Mrs. R. O. DeWitt.

Dr. and Mrs. Wayne M. Stevenson of Vidor, Texas, are attending the races at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dr. McCaughan Represents AOA At National Meets

CHICAGO (AOA)—Dr. Russell C. McCaughan recently represented the American Osteopathic Association at the 7th annual meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Local Health Departments at the Sloane House in New York.

The Jan. 24 meeting, sponsored by the National Health Council, was attended by 87 representatives of some 74 national civic, service, professional and voluntary health agencies.

The morning session of the program was devoted to "Citizen Attitudes in the Development of Local Health Services" and the afternoon portion to suggestions in dealing with these attitudes.

Purpose of the committee is to use all effective means to bring every person and every community in the United States under the umbrella of local official community health services. It was pointed out that more than 100,000,000 Americans live in areas with a health department.

Among the organizations represented at the meeting, in addition to the AOA, were the American Cancer Society, American Federation of Labor, American Heart Association, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., American Dental Association and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

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Prior to his attendance in New York, Dr. McCaughan spent Jan. 21-22 at the Statler hotel in Washington, D. C., attending a meeting of the American Council on Education.

The 120 participants at the ACE conference heard a discussion on "Military Manpower and Its Impact on Education" with presentations given by the Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel; Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization; Director of National Selective Service and the National Security Training Commission.

The discussions centered around the recently proposed national reserve plan which will soon be presented before Congress for consideration and the training of specialists in science and in the healing arts and their utilization in the interests of defense and a concomittant civilian economy.

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CHICAGO (AOA) — Mr. James Brindle, director of social security for the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and Dr. Murray Goldstein, Bethesda, Md., recently visited with Dave Darland, director of the Division of Public and Professional Welfare and Dr. Raymond P. Keesecker, Editor of the AOA.

Dr. Goldstein, a 1950 graduate of the Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and Surgery, has the distinction of being the first osteopathic physician to serve with the United States Public Health Service. He was appointed in 1953 with the rank of Senior Assistant Surgeon, reserve, which is equivalent to Captain in the Army.

Mr. Brindle is with the CIO's national office in Detroit.

NEWS OF THE DISTRICTS

DISTRICT ONE

Officers of district 1 for the coming year are: Dr. L. J. Vick, Amarillo, president; Dr. E. W. Cain, Amarillo, president elect; Dr. M. F. Achor, Hereford, vice president; Dr. E. H. Mann, Amarillo, secretary-treasurer; Dr. John London, Groom, new committeeman for the Executive Committee.

The annual Child Health Clinic has been set for May 20 and 21. Dr. Virginia Ellis of Fort Worth will be Coordinator and Dr. Ralph I. McRae, psychiatrist, will probably assist. All doctors in the Panhandle area will take part, but any doctor anywhere, that so desires, is invited to come and participate.

There are tentative plans to hold a review of interesting cases on Sunday at the regular district meeting, the day following the clinic. We also plan to have a get-together each night to eat and discuss any common problems.

It would be appreciated if any doctor interested in sending announcements to their patients would contact Dr. John C. Kemplin, and request the number of invitations that he needs. So far, one doctor alone has requested 2,000 invitations. Dr. Kemplin wants to emphasize that participation in this clinic is not restricted to district 1, and that we would welcome any and all who would be willing to come.

Dr. Cain has departed to Guaymos, Mexico on a fishing trip.

Dr. Kendall E. Rogers of Oklahoma City was a recent visitor in Dr. Cain's office.

Dr. Ben E. Hayman of Texas City, will present a program on "Manipulative Technique" to district 1 on Saturday, March 5 and Sunday morning, March 6.

The radio program entitled "Symptoms of our Times" has been running

for three months on one of our local Amarillo stations — KAMQ, and it is being very well received. This series of broadcasts are also being started on KDDD in Dumas.

Dr. Glenn Scott advises that publicity is out on the State Convention to be held in Houston and is urging all to attend.

Delegates are: Drs. E. H. Mann, E. W. Cain, and J. Francis Brown.

Alternates are: Drs. John L. Witt, Lester J. Vick, and Wm. R. Ballard.

We are planning our next district meeting in Dumas with Dr. J. Paul Price in charge of the program. We are holding this meeting in Dumas in cooperation with the Industrial Relations Committee. The Panhandle Industrial Engineers will present the speaking program.

Dr. Brunow Zilvitis of Dearborn, Michigan, is spending two weeks with Dr. L. J. Vick, doing some brush-up work in Proctology.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Chandler traveled over to Roswell, New Mexico to visit their daughter, Jean, and her family.

Dr. Hal Edwards of San Antonio visited in the office of Dr. J. Francis Brown for a couple of days last month.

Merlin F. Achor, D. O. of Hereford, has joined the Rotary Club under the classification of "Osteopathy".

The district meeting of district 1 will be held in Dumas, Texas in August, at which time the "Engineers" that we entertained when you were here have invited us. They will put on the program, etc., and all of the district osteopaths will be their guests.

Also have a student going to Kirksville due to a talk made by the executive secretary and the picture shown at Canyon on his trip there.

By J. FRANCIS BROWN, D. O.

DISTRICT TWO

The annual meeting of district 2 was held at the Worth Hotel in Fort Worth on Sunday, February 27. Professional lectures were presented at both morning and afternoon sessions. Dr. Joseph F. DePetris, Dallas, presented "Pathological Physiology of the Nephron" and "Value of the Total Blood Volume Evaluations". Dr. J. Natcher Stewart, Dallas, presented "Surgical and Medical Care of Peptic Ulcer" and "The Acute Abdomen".

At the noon luncheon we were honored to have our state president, Dr. A. L. Garrison, speak to the group on Status of the Profession. Election of the officers took place at the close of the day's session. The following were elected: President, Dr. Hugo J. Ranelle of Fort Worth; President Elect, Dr. Wallace S. Williams of Hamilton; Vice President, Dr. Raymond D. Fisher of Fort Worth; and Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Elbert P. Carlton of Fort Worth.

The following delegates were elected to serve at the meeting of the House of Delegates in May: Dr. Hugo J. Ranelle, Dr. D. D. Beyer, Dr. Raymond D. Fisher, all of Fort Worth, Dr. Wallace S. Williams of Hamilton, and Dr. William D. Blackwood of Comanche.

The alternates who were elected were: Dr. George F. Pease, Dr. Noel Ellis, Dr. L. G. Ballard, Dr. R. L. Hodshire, of Fort Worth, and Dr. Henry E. Roberts of Denton.

Mrs. Jennie Beyer of Pella, Iowa, has been visiting here in the homes of her three sons, Drs. D. D., Harry E., and Robert B. Beyer. Likewise, Mrs. Letha Hollowell, Pleasantville, Iowa, mother-in-law of Dr. D. D. Beyer, has been a guest in the home of Dr. D. D. Beyer.

Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Stilwell have a new grandbaby, Lee Ann, born March 10 at 4:05 a. m., weighing 7 lbs., 4 oz.

By VIRGINIA ELLIS, D. O.

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DISTRICT FOUR

Dr. Archie Garrison made his official visit to our district February 26. The attendance was small and those who failed to attend missed a most enjoyable and instructive meeting. Dinner was held at the San Angelo Country Club with Jackie Rountree as hostess.

Dr. Wiley Rountree should be commended for the great deal of time he spends in community affairs. He represented the San Angelo School Board at the National School Board convention in St. Louis February 24-27. Recently he was reelected as a director of the San Angelo Country Club and appointed as chairman of the entertainment committee. He is also serving as a director of the San Angelo Little Theatre.

"Jackie" Rountree is also a busy participant in civic affairs. She recently reviewed "All My Darlings" by Thomas Byrnes, for the San Angelo Federated Club tea. This is the fourteenth book she has reviewed since the first of the year. Jackie also serves as Speech Therapist for the San Angelo Handicapped Children's Center. Our hat's off to Wiley and Jackie!

DISTRICT FIVE

The Dallas Academy of Osteopathic Medicine met at the Stoneleigh Hotel on Monday night, February 28. Fifteen members and guests attended. Following the dinner, the president of the group, Dr. Myron S. Magen, made several preliminary remarks and then introduced the moderator of the evening, Dr. George E. Miller. Dr. Miller presided at a symposium on "The Care of the Patient With Neoplastic Disease," and the following papers were presented:

Dr. Ralph I. McRae, *Psychiatric Aspects of Malignant Disease*.

Dr. Lester T. Cannon, *Modern Chemotherapy of Malignant Disease*.

Dr. H. George Grainger, *Neurological Approach to the Control of Pain in Malignancy*.

Following the formal presentations, a lively round table discussion was held

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and questions were offered by the audience.

The next meeting of the Academy will be held in the latter part of May. All Texas D. O.'s are cordially invited to attend the quarterly dinner meetings.

CHAS. D. OGILVIE, D. O.
Secretary, D.A.O.M.

DISTRICT SIX

Dr. R. O. Brennan of Houston was in Dayton February 25-28 attending the Orthopedic Clinical Assembly conducted by the American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics and the Ohio Osteopathic Association of Physicians and Surgeons. Approximately 200 osteopathic physicians and surgeons from a six-state area were present for the four-day post-graduate study course in general orthopedics and orthopedic surgery.

DISTRICT SEVEN

Dr. and Mrs. J. Francis Brown of Amarillo visited Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Edwards during the Texas Open.

Dr. and Mrs. I. T. Stowell are planning on a visit to Florida. He hopes to take in the meeting.

Dr. John C. Baker of Fort Worth came to San Antonio on Consultation and Surgery for a harelip. He and Dr. H. A. Beckwith are to be congratulated for the excellent surgery. While here, Dr. Baker spent the night at the Stowell-Beckwith Clinic.

Dr. A. T. Mendicino reported that Tony, Jr., was accepted at Kirksville for the class starting in the Fall. Good work, Tony!

Dr. M. P. Ollom of New Braunfels attended the monthly party at Dr. Gordon Beckwith's. He paid his district dues and states he wants to get active in Association work. Glad to have you, doctor.

Dr. Wascher is to have the party this month at his new home. We'll break it in for him.

We have all been so busy taking care of Flu cases that nobody made any news this past month.

WALDEMAR D. SCHAEFER, D. O.

DISTRICT EIGHT-A

District 8 met February 27 and elected officers for the coming year: president, Alfred DeShong; vice president, John M. Auten of Aransas Pass, and secretary, A. B. Tibbetts. Delegates to the coming state convention are to be Drs. Mabel Martin, Everett Wilson and R. J. Brune. Alternates are to be Drs. Alfred DeShong, A. B. Tibbetts and Lloyd Davis.

The Aransas Pass Hospital is in the process of nearing completion. Dr. Auten informs us that they have hopes of moving in the latter part of May. They are to have a 16-bed institution of fireproof construction when completed.

R. E. BENNETT, D. O.
Secretary

DISTRICT EIGHT-B

District 8-B held an organizational meeting in February and elected the following officers: president, Dr. Mabel Martin; vice president, Dr. A. O. Scharff; secretary-treasurer, Dr. Ralph H. Moore; delegate to convention, Dr. Mabel F. Martin; alternate to convention, Dr. Lloyd W. Davis; public relations, Dr. Lloyd W. Davis; public health, Dr. Ralph H. Moore.

They also passed a resolution at this meeting requesting that they be separated from District 8 and that a new district be created, consisting of Starr, Hidalgo, Willacy, and Cameron Counties.

DISTRICT NINE

The February meeting of district 9 was held at the residence of Dr. J. V. Money, Schulenburg, Texas.

Dr. Money gave a talk on radiological diagnosis of pulmonary disorders.

Dr. T. D. Crews, Dick and Jimmie Stratton reported that they had recently attended the Radiological Society meeting in San Antonio.

Dr. Carl Stratton reports that there is an acute shortage of nurses at their hospital.

New officers elected for the coming year were: Dr. T. D. Crews, Gonzales, president; Dr. C. R. Stratton, Cuero, president elect; Dr. H. L. Tannen, Weimar, vice president; Dr. Jacques C. Burt, Moulton, secretary-treasurer.

Delegates: Dr. J. V. Money, Schulenburg, and Dr. C. R. Stratton, Cuero.

Alternates: Dr. T. D. Crews, Gonzales, and Dr. Jacques C. Burt, Moulton.

Dr. Paul E. Pinkston, Victoria, Texas, was the principal speaker before Masonic Lodge No. 621 at its annual George Washington's birthday celebration. Dr. Pinkston received quite a little publicity in the Victoria papers over this talk.

DISTRICT TEN

The district 10 Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons met at the home of Dr. R. Z. Abell, Jr., on March 1 and good representation of the doctors was had. A film was shown from the Abbott Laboratories on the use of Pen-tothal Sodium and Hal Thomas, M. D., gave a talk on the use of anesthetics and the use of intravenous drip procaine.

Motion was made and carried for a monthly meeting to be held instead of every two months. The next meeting will be held on April 26 at the Southwestern Public Service Building and a film on Cyclaine will be reviewed and a talk on diseases of the rectum and surgical techniques will be presented by Dr. H. Emery.

A private meeting was held with one of the members of the staff of the Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Merchants Association. I plan to have the Osteopathic Association appoint a working committee with the Chamber

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of Commerce in order to supply them with information concerning the osteopathic profession in regard to questionnaire from inquiring osteopaths, supplying them with information concerning the needs of the profession, etc.

By DR. R. M. MAYER

Golf Champ Bolt Credits Success to Osteopathy

CHICAGO.—Golfer Tommy Bolt, two-time San Diego Open champion, credits much of his success to osteopathic physicians he visits in cities along the tournament circuit.

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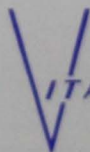
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