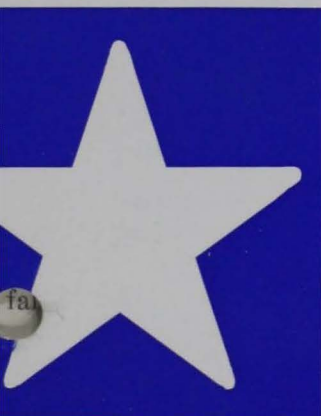


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## IMPORTANT—Do You Know?

On April 27, 1960 the House of Delegates of the TAOP&S at its annual meeting in the Baker Hotel, Dallas, adopted the following recommendation from the Public Health Committee:

### Recommendation No. 9

"A regulation be established by the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons requiring the final dismissal and signing of the insurance forms by surgeon or physician who performed work."

It has been noted that there have been numerous instances when this regulation has not been carried out—either by the surgeon or the referring man, which places the parties involved in a vulnerable position because they violated a definite ruling of our organization. Invariably the excuse is, "I didn't know." Therefore we are here reprinting this recommendation so no one will violate same.

The purpose for this rule is simple: (1) To complete an insurance form for work you did not do and sending it through the mails constitutes fraud. Further it bespeaks of ghost surgery. (2) Final dismissal does not mean dismissal from the hospital and it does not prohibit the surgeon from turning the case over to another physician for post-operative care in the hospital. It simply means that the chart must reveal that the patient has been instructed to return to the surgeon's office, on a specific date, for a check-up and final dismissal from the surgery. If this is shown on the chart and the patient is so instructed, then the surgeon cannot be held responsible should the patient fail to make an appearance at his office.



# Resume—Meeting of the House of Delegates

**Granada Hotel—San Antonio, Texas**

**May 3-4, 1961**



CHARLES C. RAHM, D.O.  
Speaker, House of Delegates



SAMUEL B. GANZ, D.O.  
Vice-Speaker, House of Delegates

The sixteenth annual session of the House of Delegates of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons was called to order by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, Dr. Charles C. Rahm, at 9:40 A.M., Wednesday, May 3, 1961. The delay in starting the meeting was due to technical difficulties with the sound system.

The invocation was given by Dr. Loren R. Rohr of Houston.

The Chair appointed the following Committees:

*Credentials:* Daniel D. Beyer, D.O., Chairman, Ralph Landsberg, D.O.

*Rules:* Henry Hensley, D.O., Chairman, John H. Burnett, D.O.

*Reference Committee on Public Affairs:* John H. Boyd, D.O., Chairman, Harlan O. L. Wright, D.O., Wayne M. Stevenson, D.O.

*Reference Committee on Professional Affairs:* Robert H. Nobles, D.O., Chairman, J. Paul Price, D.O., Norman Leopold, D.O.

*Sergeant-At-Arms:* Robert P. Kelley, D.O., Seldon Smith, D.O.

*Resolutions:* Waldemar D. Schaefer, D.O., Chairman, M. G. Holcomb, D.O.

The Committee appointments were approved by mutual consent.

The Chair called for the report of the Credentials Committee and the following delegates were seated:

## District No. 1

William R. Ballard, D.O., J. Paul Price, D.O.; E. W. Cain, D.O.

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Robert H. Nobles, D.O.; A. Roland Young, D.O.; Carl E. Everett, D.O.; R. H. Peterson, D.O.; Noel G. Ellis, D.O.; Daniel D. Beyer, D.O.; William M. Snow, D.O.; Robert N. Rawls, D.O.

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### District No. 12

Wayne M. Stevenson, D.O.; A. L. Garrison, D.O.

### District No. 13

David D. Matthews, D.O.; Selden E. Smith, D.O.

*Special Order of Business:* The Chair requests Dr. J. Warren McCorkle to introduce the guest speaker, John M. Whitney, M.D. of Dallas, Texas. Dr. Whitney, Medical director of Region 7, U.S. Public Health Service addressed the House on "The Need for Planning for Disaster Medicine."

Dr. Whitney's talk was inspiring and impressed upon the House the great need and the necessity for the membership to cooperate with the Public Health Service in its planning for disaster medical care and that it is the duty of all physicians to give their best toward this effort.

The following report of the Rules Committee was presented and adopted by General Consent:

### Rules 1961

Henry Hensley, D.O., *Chairman*

This Committee was directed by the Speaker to draw up a set of rules which will expedite the mechanics of the House activities. The Committee recommends the adoption of the following rules:

1. The rules contained in the Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern this House in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the By-Laws and special rules of this House.

2. Following the initial roll call, business shall not be interrupted for the seating of delegates except at specified intervals and upon recommendation of the Credentials Committee.

3. All motions consisting of more than a few words shall be presented to the Chairman in writing.

4. The name of the member who seconds a motion is not required to be entered in the minutes and the secretary shall not interrupt business in order to ask who seconded a motion.

5. The oral reports by the executive secretary and chairmen of the various departments and committees of this

Association shall be restricted to a short resume of the activities of their particular committee.

6. When a recommendation is read, by a committee chairman or other department head authorized to make recommendations, the Speaker may place the recommendation before the House for discussion without the formality of a motion to that effect.

7. That the Order of Business outlined in the printed Agenda be adopted.

8. These rules shall become effective immediately and shall remain in effect unless changed by a two-thirds vote.

The Chair presented the TAOP&S President, Dr. Glenn R. Scott who gave an inspiring address, charging each of the delegates with the need for sound thinking and planning. Dr. Scott received a standing ovation.

Dr. Ganz, Vice-Speaker of the House took over the speaker's rostrum, and called for the *Minutes of the Previous Meeting*. The executive secretary reported that the minutes were published. A motion was made, seconded and carried that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as printed.

*Report of Executive Secretary:* Dr. P. R. Russell presented his report to the House and a question and answer period followed. He was questioned at length in reference to the following statement which appeared in his printed report: "There has been an ever increasing number of osteopathic hospitals in this state. This causes great concern because the profession is being judged by the activities in these institutions. There needs to be a tremendous educational program among the administrators and staff members of these hospitals." In his explanation of this statement, the executive secretary brought out the fact that the ever increasing number of beds caused a doubt as to where we were going to secure a sufficient number of osteopathic physicians to handle this increase. This was

followed by several other pertinent questions which the executive secretary answered.

Each of the Department heads and the Committee Chairmen were then called on for their reports and recommendations. All committee reports have been printed and distributed to the membership. The following recommendations were adopted by the House of Delegates:

### **Department of Professional Affairs**

L. G. Ballard, D.O., *Chairman*

Dr. Ballard made a brief report and then called upon the chairmen of the various committees under his department to present their reports.

### **Committee on Professional Education and Meetings**

J. Warren McCorkle, D.O., *Chairman*

"That the affiliated groups of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons be encouraged to have more combined meetings which would result in greater attendance by all members of our Association."

### **Ethics Committee**

Loren R. Rohr, D.O., *Chairman*

No Recommendations.

### **Annual Program Committee**

C. E. Dickey, D.O., *Chairman*

"Continuation of the policy that all convention lectures be part of the general sessions."

### **Facilities and Exhibitors Committee**

P. R. Russell, D.O., *Chairman*

"That the local and state specialty groups, other than the TAOP&S be discouraged from selling exhibit space for their meetings."

### **Selective Service Committee**

Roy DeFoe Kirkland, D.O., *Chairman*

"The portfolio of procedure has been satisfactory and recommend that it be followed for the present."



### **Committee On Statistics and Locations**

C. D. Ogilvie, D.O., *Chairman*

No recommendations.

### **Membership Committee**

Raymond D. Fisher, D.O., *Chairman*

No recommendations adopted.

Dr. Ballard then announced that the report of the Committee on Constitution, By-Laws and Charters would be heard at 2:00 P.M. as previously announced by the Speaker of the House, so that Mr. Homa S. Hill, attorney for the Association would be present.

### **Editorial Policy and Journal Publications Committee**

P. R. Russell, D.O., *Chairman*

Dr. Russell presented his report, following which there was considerable discussion concerning the Journal. There were many varied ideas as to what could be and should be done with the Journal. Dr. G. W. Tompson, member of the Board of Trustees, pointed out to the House that the executive secretary is answerable only to the Board and not to the House of Delegates as he is an employee of the Board. Therefore any gripes the House might have should be directed to the Board of Trustees and not to the executive secretary. This was followed by comments from Dr. Loren R. Rohr and Dr. L. G. Ballard who are also members of

the Board of Trustees. The following recommendations were adopted:

"That means be developed to secure scientific articles."

"That an effort be made to improve the quality and writing of the news from the districts."

Vice Speaker called a recess at 12:45 and the House reconvened at 2:00 P.M., with Dr. Rahm presiding. Dr. Rahm called for a special order of business—

### **Committee on Constitution, By-Laws and Charters**

Richard L. Stratton, D.O., *Chairman*

Dr. Stratton elaborated on his printed report and gave his recommendations, following which Mr. Homa Hill, attorney for the Association, explained to the House of Delegates, the need for the proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws as prepared by him. He then answered all questions propounded to him by the delegates in reference to the proposed changes.

The speaker then placed before the House the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution as prepared by Mr. Hill and printed, stating he would read them item by item and unless a question or objection was raised, would proceed to the next item. The following AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION WERE ADOPTED:

## **ARTICLE VI.—Board of Trustees**

Section 1—The Board of Trustees of this Association shall consist of the President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Vice President, and of twelve Trustees elected by the House of Delegates. The Board shall be the administrative and executive body of the Association and perform such other duties as are provided by the By-Laws.

## **ARTICLE VII.—Executive Committee**

Section 1—The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees shall consist of the President, Immediate Past President, President-Elect, Chairman of Department of Professional Affairs, and Chairman of Department of Public Affairs. Such



Department Chairmen shall be appointed by the President from the members of the Board of Trustees.

The speaker then placed before the House, for its adoption, the proposed amendments to the By-Laws as prepared by Mr. Hill and printed, stating they would be read item by item and unless a question or objection was raised, would proceed to the next item. The following AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS WERE ADOPTED:

### ARTICLE I.—District Societies and Subsidiary Organizations

Section 3—Upon application from any organization for acceptance as a subsidiary organization, the Executive Secretary shall investigate such organization and, upon satisfactory proof to the Executive Committee or the Board of Trustees of a general agreement of policy and governing rules with those of this Association, shall if so directed issue notice of acceptance and make record of same. He shall then extend to the accepted organization the fullest possible cooperation, and shall from time to time furnish it with such information and directions as shall best further the interest of both parties.

### ARTICLE II.—Membership

Section 1—Any graduate of a college recognized by the American Osteopathic Association who is legally and ethically practicing osteopathic medicine and surgery in this State and who is a member of his district society, is eligible for regular membership in this Association. Such applicant is required to make application for regular membership in this association in writing on the prescribed form as furnished by the office of the Executive Secretary of this Association.

Section 2—There shall be six classes of membership: (a). Regular, (b). Sustaining, (c). Honorary, (d). Honorary Life, (e). Associate, and (f). Student.

Section 3—Regular Membership. Regular members shall meet the qualifications set in Section 1 of this Article, and such other qualifications as shall be set forth in these By-Laws. They shall have the right to vote.

Section 4—Sustaining Membership. Sustaining members shall have been regular members of the Association for a period of at least five years and shall be persons whose disposition and circumstances warrant support to the Association's program of service over and above that required of regular members. They shall have all privileges of regular membership.

Section 6—Honorary Life Membership. Honorary Life members shall have been long term regular or sustaining members of this Association who have given exemplary service far beyond the norm and in so doing have added to the stature and prestige of the osteopathic profession. In general, these shall be members who, because of altered health, length of tenure, or retirement (complete or partial), have reached this station of honored respect. They shall have all privileges of regular membership.

Section 8—Student Membership. Student membership status may be granted to interns or residents in approved Osteopathic Hospitals within the State of Texas or full time preceptees within the State of Texas for the period of their training program. The application of any intern or resident shall be endorsed by the Administrator of the Hospital in which the internship or residency is being served and the application of any full time preceptee shall be endorsed by his preceptor. Said student members shall receive such publications and other literature as may

be directed by the Board of Trustees, but they shall not be eligible to hold office or to vote in the affairs of the Association.

Section 9—Applicants for regular and student membership shall be investigated by the Membership Committee who shall either approve or reject such applicants. In the event of acceptance or refusal by the Membership Committee, the action is subject to review with the final decision in all cases of approval or rejection resting with the Board of Trustees. Upon approval of an application by the Membership Committee, privileges of regular or student membership shall become immediately effective, but subject to final action by the Board of Trustees and a probationary period for regular members as hereinafter set out. If the board should reject an applicant, his name shall be stricken from the membership of the Association. Any applicant admitted to regular membership shall be a regular member on probation for one year following the approval of his application by the Membership Committee and provided further such application is not rejected by the Board of Trustees. Upon the expiration of such year of probationary regular membership, such member shall then become a regular member without further probation unless before the expiration of such one year period the Board of Trustees has notified the Executive Secretary that it has rejected the application.

Elections to membership under Sections 4, 5, 6, and 7, shall be by the Board of Trustees. At his election by written notice to the Executive Secretary any sustaining member may return to regular membership status.

### ARTICLE III.—Dues

Section 8—Student members as heretofore defined shall not be required to pay dues.

Section 14—The annual dues received from each <sup>sustaining</sup> member shall be apportioned to an Administrative Account and a Professional Development Account. The Administrative Account shall be sufficient to meet the budgeted needs of the Association and the balance shall be placed in the Professional Development Account for use in furthering the educational and scientific objectives of the Association, and disbursed according to such rules or procedures as are adopted by the Board of Trustees.

### ARTICLE IV.—Grievance Matters

Section 1—The term "complaint" shall embrace all complaints or charges filed with the Executive Secretary against any member of the Association for professional misconduct. The term "professional misconduct" shall include: (1) Any wilful violation of the Constitution, By-Laws or Code of Ethics of the Associa-

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tion; (2). Malpractice, or any fraudulent, dishonorable or immoral conduct, whether or not in connection with the practice of osteopathic medicine or surgery and regardless of the fact that such act or acts may constitute an offense under the Penal Code of this State, and regardless of whether the accused member is being prosecuted for, or has been convicted of, or has been acquitted of, the violation of such penal provision. Expulsion shall be compulsory on proof of conviction of any felony, provided that the judgment of conviction has become final.

Section 2—All complaints, whether oral or written, and regardless of who made such complaint, shall be referred to the Committee on Ethics. The Committee shall make such investigation of each complaint as it may deem appropriate under the circumstances of the case. It may conduct hearings and receive testimony. The name of the accused member and the proceedings before the Committee shall be kept private, so far as is consistent with the development of the facts. It shall be the duty of each member of the Committee on Ethics to report to the Committee any case of professional misconduct which may come or be brought to his attention. A complaint against any member shall be reduced to writing and the member furnished with a copy thereof, unless the complaint appears to be of such nature as will not call for the disciplinary action and can probably be dismissed with the necessity of hearing the accused member.

Section 3—At the conclusion of the investigation, the Committee on Ethics shall take action on the complaint in one of the following ways: (a). If the Committee shall be of the opinion that no disciplinary action is warranted, it shall dismiss the complaint and notify the complainant, and the accused member also, if he has had notice of the complaint; (b). If, in a case where the accused member has had notice of the complaint and opportunity to be heard, the Committee shall decide that he should be reprimanded, the reprimand shall be reduced to writing. At its discretion, the Committee may require the accused to appear before it for delivery of the reprimand, or it may send a copy thereof to him by registered mail. It shall determine what publicity, if any, shall be given the reprimand; (c). If the Committee shall be of the opinion that the membership of the accused should be suspended or revoked, written charges shall be filed by the Committee on Ethics with the Board of Trustees.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Ethics to prosecute such charges before the Board of Trustees.

Section 4—The Committee on Ethics, on making a decision, shall immediately file with the Board of Trustees a copy of the written complaint, together with a copy of its findings, conclusions and decision and shall send a copy thereof by registered mail to the accused member. The Committee shall also transmit to the Board of Trustees such record of evidence it may have in connection with the complaint. Upon receipt of such notice from the Committee, the accused member shall have ten days in which to notify in writing the Board of his rejection of the conclusions and decision of the Committee on Ethics and if he so desires, he may apply in writing to the Board for a hearing which shall be granted to him. At such hearing the member must be present in person. He may be represented by counsel and shall have the right to produce evidence by witnesses or otherwise. If the accused member fails to give such notice of a request for a hearing, the Board of Trustees may act without a hearing and shall have the authority by a two thirds vote of its members present and voting to affirm, modify or set aside the reprimand of the Committee on Ethics or to suspend, place on probation for a period not to exceed three years or expel the accused member. In the event of a hearing,



after due process and trial, the Board of Trustees shall likewise by a two-thirds vote of its members present and voting affirm, modify or set aside the reprimand of the Committee on Ethics or suspend or place on probation for a period not to exceed three years or expel the accused member.

Section 5—If the accused member, upon final conviction, is suspended or expelled, he shall forfeit all privileges of this Association for the length of time as provided in the judgment, subject to the provisions of Section 6. The Executive Secretary shall notify all subsidiary organizations as well as the office of the American Osteopathic Association of this action.

Section 6—The suspended or expelled member, upon giving satisfactory evidence of his intentions to comply with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws and Code of Ethics of this Association, may be reinstated by a three-fourths vote of the members of the Board of Trustees who are present and voting and with further approval by a three-fourths vote of the accredited members of the House of Delegates who are present and voting.

#### ARTICLE V.—Officers

Section 6—No member shall be eligible to hold an office in this Association until he shall have been a regular or sustaining member in good standing of this Association for three years immediately prior to his election. No member shall hold more than one elective office in this Association at one time.

#### ARTICLE VI.—Executive Secretary

Section 8—The Executive Secretary of this Association shall furnish annually to the secretary of each district society a statement of the number of delegates and alternates to which each district society is entitled in the House of Delegates of this Association as provided in Article IX of these By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE VII.—Board of Trustees

Section 2—The Board of Trustees of this Association shall consist of the President, President Elect, Immediate Past President, Vice President, and of twelve Trustees elected by the House of Delegates. The President may vote in the case of a tie vote. Each year four trustee members shall be elected by the House of Delegates to serve three years or until their successors are elected and qualified; and in the same manner of election, vacancies shall be filled to complete unexpired terms.

Section 4—Two thirds of the members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

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Section 9—The Board of Trustees may act upon any matter by mail vote when necessary. If a vote is taken by mail, the vote of the Board shall be by majority of all members of the Board except in those cases where specific provision is otherwise made in these By-Laws in which event reference to a certain portion of the members of the Board shall be to all members of the Board rather than to those who are present and voting at a meeting of the Board.

Section 11—The Board shall have the power, after careful investigation and by a three fourths vote of those present and voting, to remove any officer or dismiss any employee of this Association for incompetency, immoral, unethical or professional misconduct, failure to perform duties of his office, or felony conviction.

Section 12—Deleted.

### **ARTICLE VIII.—Executive Committee**

Section 1—The Executive Committee may transact the business of the Board of Trustees between the meetings of the Board except that the Executive Committee shall not exercise the powers of the Board under Article IV of these By-Laws.

### **ARTICLE IX.—House of Delegates**

Section 7—One half of the total number of delegates accredited for voting in the House of Delegates shall constitute a quorum.

### **ARTICLE XI.—Meetings**

Section 1—The annual meetings shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by the House, but such time and place may be changed by the Board of Trustees should necessity warrant.

In selecting the convention city, the House may take action covering not more than five succeeding conventions.

### **ARTICLE XIV.—Amendments**

Section 1—These By-Laws may be amended at any annual or special meeting of the House of Delegates by a two thirds vote of the accredited delegates, present and voting, provided that the amendment shall have been filed with the Executive Secretary at least two months before the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted upon. Upon receiving a copy of the amendment, it shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to cause it to be printed in the official publication of the Association at least one month before the meeting. The proposed amendment may be revised if necessary to secure conformity to the Constitution.

The Chair then presented to the House amendments to the By-Laws submitted by Drs. J. Warren McCorkle and Henry Hensley of District No. 3 and the following amendment was adopted:

### **BY-LAWS**

#### **ARTICLE X.—Delegates to the American Osteopathic Association**

Section 1—Add this sentence to the end of section one: "Delegates shall be elected for three year terms, one-third of the delegation to be elected each year, and any vacancies shall be filled to complete unexpired terms at this time."

The chair declared a ten-minute recess, following which the first order of



business was the continuation of the report of the Committee on Editorial Policy and Journal Publication and the recommendations as shown above were adopted. The speaker then called for the report of:

### **Department of Public Affairs**

Richard L. Stratton, D.O., *Chairman*

No recommendations.

Dr. Stratton then called for the reports of the various committees under his department and the following recommendations were adopted by the House:

### **Public Health Committee**

Elmer C. Baum, D.O., *Chairman*

"Maintain the composite Board with present practice privileges."

"Pursue prevention of malpractice claims at district level."

"Representation at all functions or meetings related to Public Health matters that the Committee deems essential."

"Implement Inter-Professional code for physicians and attorneys at district level."

"Continue to pursue representation on all state boards and committees pertaining to public health and related functions."

"Vigorously pursue at all levels post-graduate medical training."

"Insist that every district have a permanent effective functioning District Chairman of Public Health."

"Establish a Committee on Maternal Mortalities in cooperation with the Texas State Department of Health."

The House, at the request of Dr. Wiley Rountree, gave Dr. Baum a standing vote of thanks and confidence following his report. Dr. Stratton then continued the reports of the committees

under his department. The following recommendations were adopted:

### **Osteopathic Progress Fund Committee**

Harlan O. L. Wright, D.O., *Chairman*

Dr. Wright presented his report and read a letter to the House which he had received from Mr. Bennett, Chairman of OPF for A.O.A. Texas has given 140% which places this state second in the nation in percentage giving. Indiana placed first. Dr. Wright then commended the House for its action two years ago in implementing Support Through Dues.

No recommendations.

### **Committee On Veterans Affairs**

Robert E. Morgan, D.O., *Chairman*

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selves on the local level in the various veterans organizations since they are surely doing great work unselfishly to help their fellowman."

The House was recessed at 6:20 for dinner and reconvened at 8:00 p.m. with Dr. Sam Ganz, Vice-Speaker, presiding. The chair called for the following reports:

### **Committee On Christmas Seals**

Fred E. Logan, D.O., *Chairman*

"That the Christmas Seals Committee be under the direction of the Auxiliary in the future."

### **Liaison Committee to Auxiliary**

Samuel B. Ganz, D.O., *Chairman*

No recommendations.

### **Public and Professional Service Committee**

M. A. Calabrese, D.O., *Chairman*

"Those districts who were unable to put on vocational guidance dinners this fiscal year make an all out effort to do so this coming year."

"That those districts who did put on their vocational guidance dinners follow up with programs in the high schools with 'local talent' that is doctors in the area."

"That each district submit to the executive secretary an official request asking the state president to visit its district and that the P&PS be instructed to set up, in a consecutive manner the official visit of the president of the TAOP&S to each of the district societies."

"That each district after making its request be notified by the executive secretary of the president's arrival at least a week in advance. The central office or a subsidiary will furnish the district with a 'packet,' 'poop sheet' and photo of the president for public relations on a district level."

"That each district try to build up a so called branch central office of information for immediate release."

"That each district try to show the film, 'The American Doctor' in all the high schools in its respective area as part of the follow up of the vocational guidance dinners."

"That this committee sponsor a dinner in honor of the newly elected presidents and secretaries of each district to be held at the time of the state convention."

"That districts continue to request professional literature through the central office."

"That an official letter of communication from the state president be sent to Dr. Morris Thompson thanking him for his cooperation in making the vocational guidance dinners so successful."

"Continue the promotion and visitation of the executive secretary to each district and to the individual doctors offices."

"Continue the visitation of the executive secretary to the colleges of osteopathy where a proper program can be set up."

### **Committee On Hospitals and Insurance**

G. W. Tompson, D.O., *Chairman*

Dr. Tompson presented his report and elaborated on the activities of his committee. He then submitted the following recommendation (which was not printed) and it was adopted by the House.

"The function and the objectives of the insurance committee be continued unchanged."

Dr. Noel Ellis then moved the fol-

lowing recommendation from the floor, which was seconded and adopted:

"No officer, employee or member of the TAOP&S shall accompany the AOA hospital inspector on his tours of inspection of osteopathic hospitals in Texas unless requested to do so by the hospital involved."

Dr. Tompson then addressed the House, telling them it was their responsibility to set up implementation of Dr. Ellis' motion which was adopted, in regard to inspection of our hospitals by the AOA hospital inspector. Dr. Ellis then moved the following which was seconded and carried:

"That Dr. G. W. Tompson be designated to inform the Texas Osteopathic Hospital Association concerning the motion passed by this House of Delegates in reference to officers or employees or members accompanying the AOA hospital inspector."

#### **Re-Districting Committee**

Tyra A. Morgan, D.O., *Chairman*

"That the County of Martin be made a part of District No. 4 instead of District No. 10."

#### **Council On Development Committee**

Raymond D. Fisher, D.O., *Chairman*

No recommendations adopted.

#### **Scholarship Committee**

Glenn R. Scott, D.O., *Chairman*

"That the Scholarship Program of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons be continued."

#### **Committee On Disaster Medicine**

Robert H. Nobles, D.O., *Chairman*

"That the Committee on Disaster Medicine be established as a permanent committee of TAOP&S."

"That this committee work in conjunction with like committees of all other organizations included in the National Health Plan, to organize an ef-

fective health mobilization plan for disaster medical care in Texas."

"That a committee on Disaster Medicine be established in each divisional society of TAOP&S no later than June 1st this year. The activities of the committees of the divisional societies are to be correlated with those of the state committee."

"That the president of each divisional society furnish the chairman of the Committee on Disaster Medicine of TAOP&S the name of the local committee chairman of the committee on disaster medicine no later than June 1 of this year."

"That each divisional society of TAOP&S devote one meeting this year to a program concerning disaster medical care."

#### **Committee On Feasibility of Establishing Credit Union**

J. Ralph Cunningham, D.O., *Chairman*

No recommendations.

#### **Committee to Determine Feasibility of Requiring Post Graduate Training to Maintain Membership in TAOP&S**

Elmer C. Baum, D.O., *Chairman*

No recommendations.

#### **Committee On Honorary Life Membership**

J. W. McCorkle, D.O., *Chairman*

"That Dr. Everett Wilson be voted Honorary Life Membership in the TAOP&S."

"That Dr. Howard R. Coats be voted Honorary Life Membership in the TAOP&S."

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

"That the districts be required to submit the names of their delegates to the executive secretary each year before February 10 and that the Committee



Chairmen be required to submit their annual reports to the executive secretary before February 1st so that the annual reports and a summary of the minutes of the December meeting of the Board of Trustees can be mailed to all of the delegates not later than March 5th of each year."

The Chair declared a recess until 11:45 p.m. at which time the Speaker called for nomination of officers, nomination of members to the Board of Trustees, nomination of Delegates to the AOA and nomination of Alternates to the AOA. The nominations were received and placed before the House and the following motions were adopted:

"That the Delegates to the AOA be instructed to vote unit rule."

"That the AOA delegation from Texas be instructed to support all legislation introduced in the House of Delegates of the AOA to maintain the osteopathic school as a complete and separate school of practice and to oppose all legislation to the contrary."

"That the next meeting of the House of Delegates be held at 12:01 a.m., May 4, 1961."

### House Reconvenes

The House of Delegates reconvened at 12:01 a.m., May 4, 1961 and the following officers and delegates were elected:

### Officers

*President*—G. W. Tompson, D.O., Houston.

*President-Elect*—L. G. Ballard, D.O., Fort Worth.

*Vice President* — Harlan O. L. Wright, D.O., Lubbock.

*Speaker House of Delegates*—Charles C. Rahm, D.O., Brownsboro.

*Vice-Speaker House of Delegates*—Samuel B. Ganz, D.O., Corpus Christi.

### Board of Trustees

*3-Year Term* — Robert H. Nobles, D.O., Denton; Tyra A. Morgan, D.O., Vidor; John H. Burnett, D.O., Dallas.

*2-Year Term*—J. Paul Price, D.O., Dumas; M. G. Holcomb, D.O., El Paso.

### A.O.A. Delegates

*3-Year Term*—Loren R. Rohr, D.O., Houston; C. E. Dickey, D.O., Fort Worth.

*2-Year Term* — Samuel B. Ganz, D.O., Corpus Christi; A. Roland Young, D.O., Dallas.

*1-Year Term* — M. A. Calabrese, D.O., El Paso; Elmer C. Baum, D.O., Austin.

### A.O.A. Alternates

1. Glenn R. Scott, D.O., Amarillo.
2. J. Warren McCorkle, D.O., Mincola.
3. Harlan O. L. Wright, D.O., Lubbock.
4. Lester I. Tavel, D.O., Houston.
5. M. G. Holcomb, D.O., El Paso.
6. Robert G. Haman, D.O., Dallas.

Following the election of officers it was moved, seconded and carried that:

"All the alternate delegates to the AOA be elected for a term of one year and in the event that one or more of the AOA delegates are unable to serve, the remaining delegates shall choose from the list of alternate delegates the delegate or delegates to serve in their capacity for one session only of the House of Delegates of the AOA."

The House adjourned at 12:51 A.M., Thursday, May 4, 1961.

### Correction

In the listing of physicians attending the 1961 Convention in San Antonio, Dr. Donald M. Mills was listed under Victoria, This is an error. It should read **DR. PAUL E. PINKSTON.**

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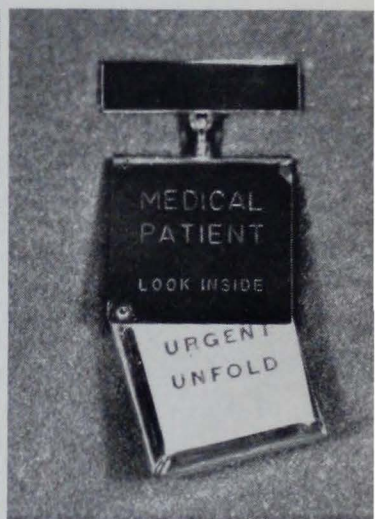
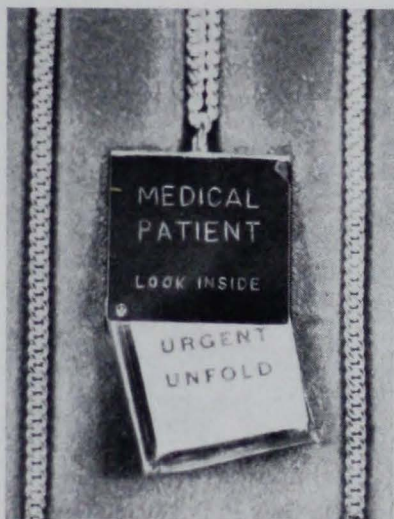
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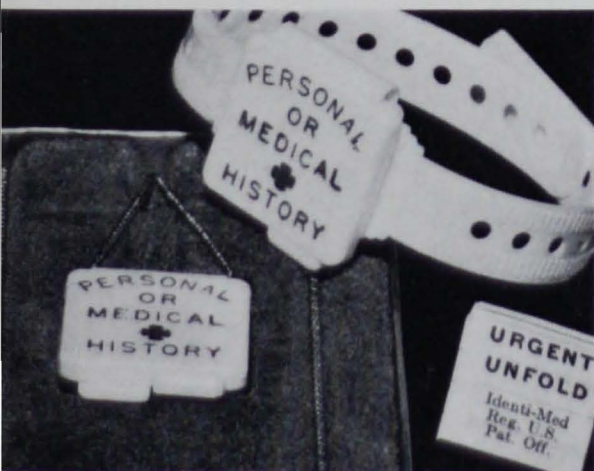
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# Two Freshman Scholarships Awarded By TAOPS



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Dallas, Texas

The recipients of the two Freshman Scholarships, offered annually by the TAOPS, were William R. Graves of 3201 Sondra Drive, Fort Worth, and Royce K. Keilers of 5242 Ravine, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. Graves received his professional training at Arlington State College and Texas Wesleyan College and will enter the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery in September.

Mr. Keilers received his B.S. degree from Texas Lutheran College, Seguin, Texas, and will enter the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery this September.

## Hospital Staff Elects Officers

At the June meeting, the staff of the Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospital elected officers for the year 1961-62 as follows:

Hyman Kahn, D.O., Chief of Staff, W. N. Hesse, D.O., Treasurer, R. B. Helfrey, D.O., Secretary; Doctors R. M. Carmichael and L. C. Woody staff representatives to the Board of Trustees.

## MEDICAL BOARD TO MEET

The next meeting of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners when examinations will be given and reciprocity applications considered is scheduled for November 30th, December 1st and 2nd, 1961, at the Hilton Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas.

Completed examination applications must be filed with their office thirty days prior to the meeting date.

Completed reciprocity applications must be filed sixty days prior to the meeting date to be given consideration.

## Community Hospital Honors Interns

## Hospital Observes 15th Anniversary

June 10, 1961



The Community Osteopathic Hospital and the staff wives honored their interns at a dinner dance May 20th, 1961, at the exclusive Cork Club. The guest entertainer for the evening was George Gobel.

The event paid tribute to the interns, Dr. John C. Fredericks and Dr. Duwane Tisdale.

Twenty-five doctors and their wives helped the interns celebrate the completion of their year of duty at the hospital.

The Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital, Inc., observed its 15th anniversary today with an open house from 1 to 3 P.M., for the staff physicians and their wives.

The hospital chartered June 10, 1946, first opened at 1402 Summit Avenue. In March of 1950 it moved into a new building at 3705 Camp Bowie Boulevard, and on July 27, 1956 the dedication of the new and present building at 1000 Montgomery Street was held.

The physicians and hospital personnel are grateful for the privilege they have had of serving the many people in this community.

It is their desire to increase the scope of their services, while keeping abreast of the constant modern and scientific advances in the hospital field, they hope not to lose the common touch, which is at the heart of all great humanitarian ventures.

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## Immediate Past President Honored By Resolution



GLENN R. SCOTT, D.O.  
Amarillo, Texas

### RESOLUTION

Whereas, Dr. Glenn R. Scott, a member of our district of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, has just completed a year as President of the State Association in a very able and efficient manner, be it hereby resolved that the members of District One, extend their thanks and appreciation to Dr. Scott for his unselfish devotion of time, money, valiant effort and hard work in furthering the causes of our profession in the State of Texas for the immediate past year, and that we feel the membership of the state as a whole has been immeasurably benefited by his faithful, intelligent leadership.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to our Executive Secretary with a request that it appear in the Texas Osteopathic Physician's Journal.

Signed:

L. V. CRADIT, D.O., *Chairman*  
of Committee, composed of all  
members of District One

## Licensed By Reciprocity

The following Osteopathic Physicians were licensed by reciprocity, at the June 12-14, 1961 meeting of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners held in Fort Worth.

Warren T. Christensen, Celina; Juanita Doiron, Archer City; Elmer L. Kelso, Grand Prairie; Alvin C. Kline, Fort Worth; Carl E. Laffoon, Dallas; Roland D. Lancaster, Dallas; R. A. Lester, Kirksville, Missouri; Dante E. Marinelli, Los Angeles 4, California; Patrick Martin, Fort Worth; Albert R. Miller, Dallas; H. L. Moscovitz, Fort Worth; Glenn Dale Rice, Lansing, Michigan; Rachael Rodriguez, Miami 50, Florida; H. Lewis Samblanet, Irving; Robert E. Slocum, Dallas.

### O.P.F. Newsletter

Congratulations to each and every one of you who have made 1960-61 a record-breaking year for college support by the osteopathic profession. What a record-breaker it was! 21% greater than last year which itself was a record breaker!

18 divisional societies achieved and exceeded their goals.

6 divisional societies show their membership participation as 100%.

27 divisional societies increased their giving over last year. All this did not "just happen." It is the result of you leaders in the profession giving of your time and efforts to inform your colleagues of the needs of your colleges. A well informed group is a strong group.

1961-62 poses an even greater challenge. We accept this challenge and look forward with confidence to a great year.

EARL K. LYONS, D.O., *Chairman*  
Osteopathic Progress Fund Committee

## Dr. G. W. Tompson Honored By Osteopathic Association



G. W. TOMPSON, D.O.

From Channelview, Texas paper.

Dr. G. W. Tompson of Jacinto City was honored by the Harris County Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons at a dinner meeting at Captain John's Restaurant in Houston on June 8.

Dr. Tompson was elected president of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians at the recent state convention in San Antonio.

The Harris County group presented him with a compact transistor tape-recorder with which he was genuinely surprised.

Dr. Tompson is one of the founders of Community Hospital, health officer of Jacinto City, member of the board of trustees of the state association, and chairman of the Hospitalization and Insurance Committee of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians.

He delivered the feature address for the evening following the June 8 dinner.

## Philadelphia County Medical Society Rescinds Action

Philadelphia, (AP), June 21—Members of the Philadelphia County Medical Society voted 171 to 115 last night against collaboration with doctors of osteopathy. The action reversed the action of the society's board of directors approving collaboration.

The board last May 19 recognized osteopaths as medical equals, and said such doctors would be permitted to practice in MD hospitals.

Last night's vote rescinds, for the time being at least, the board's action which had been regarded as a precedent in American medicine.

The latest vote places the local medical society once again behind official American Medical Association policy. The AMA condemns MD-DO professional collaboration as unethical.

After the vote reversal, members passed another resolution continuing its committee on osteopathy and directing it work toward acceptance by osteopathic groups "of standards of evaluation and accreditation now governing medical schools and hospitals."

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# Executive Secretary's Travelogue

*I am reminded of a song, "Old Man River just keeps rolling along . . .,"* so does this office and the executive secretary. This has been an extremely interesting month concerning activities and office procedures.

*The "Travelogue" begins with a trip to Houston.* The executive secretary left Fort Worth the afternoon of May 30, arriving at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston that evening. The following morning was entirely taken up with a conference with the hotel's sales manager, Mr. William M. Hawes, making arrangements and assigning rooms for our 1963 convention which will be held in that hotel.

At 12:30 he was at the Houston Osteopathic Hospital where he saw a good many of the staff members and members of the hospital Board. He had quite a discussion with them over a piece of property they were considering purchasing for the construction of a new hospital. At 1 p.m. there was a called meeting of the hospital Board and the executive secretary sat in on it for about an hour. The discussion centered around building a new hospital and knowing he could add nothing to the discussion and realizing this would take big money, the executive secretary was afraid he might be called on to contribute his last four bits so he left and proceeded to the Houston General Hospital for an afternoon session with Dr. Grover Stukey who had requested him to come by to discuss plans for renovating the old Industrial Hospital and adding on to it. The Houston General Hospital will be operated by Drs. Stukey and Schwaiger.

*On Thursday, June 1* the morning was spent at the Tavel Hospital and Clinic at their request, discussing various problems. After a delicious and most enjoyable lunch at the Tavel Hospital, the executive secretary proceeded

to the American National Life Insurance Company where he spent the afternoon with their President, Mr. Leonard Schnurr. It was an extremely interesting interview although it was plain to be seen that this company was not too well informed as to our profession. The rest of the afternoon was spent with President G. W. Tompson, reviewing problems of the profession and inspecting the wonderful new addition to Community Hospital's kitchen and surgical department and viewing the new office building for Drs. Tompson, and Zima and other doctors of the area. The new building is just a block from Community Hospital and is indeed a striking professional building.

*On Friday morning, June 2,* the executive secretary was at the Galvez Hotel for a meeting of the Texas Osteopathic Insurance Liaison (TOIL) Committee. The open session was most informative and attended by a great number of hospital administrators.

*Saturday was a rather bad day* in which to do much work, but the executive secretary did spend two hours at the Yale Hospital and Clinic visiting with Dr. A. W. Vila, at his request.

On Sunday, the executive secretary returned to Fort Worth and he was back in the office on Monday morning where there was considerable work to be done. That evening there was a hospital board meeting which he had to attend and on Tuesday night he attended the annual meeting of the Fort Worth Club.

*On Wednesday, June 7,* Drs. J. Natcher and Harriette Stewart and Dr. Myron B. Renner of the Mid-Cities Memorial Hospital took the executive secretary out for dinner. It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening during which

they discussed the many problems of the profession.

Needless to say June 5 through 10 were busy days for the executive secretary. Office procedures were heavy and there were many visitors including Dr. Mancille of Aspermont and two prospective students for our osteopathic colleges. June 12-15 were taken up with heavy correspondence but on the 12th the executive secretary found time to have dinner with the three osteopathic members of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners. Then on the 13th he attended a special meeting of the Board of the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital. On the 14th he kept a 10 a.m. appointment with Miss Kay Doty of the Hotel Texas in Fort Worth, making final arrangements for the 1962 convention. The facilities for the '62 convention will excell those offered by any other hotel in Texas as a beautiful new addition to the Hotel Texas is now completed.

*On June 15 the executive secretary left for San Antonio to attend a three-day meeting of the Texas Accident and Health Claims and Underwriters Association, held at the Ramada Inn. He had failed to make advance reservations as he was not sure he would be able to attend, and when he arrived at the Inn he found that some 15-20 rooms had been flooded so he was unable to get a room. He finally found a room downtown on Broadway and that evening had dinner with Dr. Everett Wilson. They reviewed the action of the Public Health Committee in reference to certain bills that had been in the legislature and discussed other pressing problems of the profession.*

*On Friday morning, June 16, he was at the meeting of the Texas Accident and Health Claims and Underwriters Association and must report to the profession that this was an extremely interesting meeting and one that meant a good deal to the profession as a result*

*of having the executive secretary attend. About 10 a.m. he was noticed in the audience and the President of that group immediately called Mr. John Borden to the rostrum. Mr. Borden is secretary of the TOIL Committee. After a brief conference, Mr. Borden took the microphone and made the following statement: "We have in this audience today a very distinguished guest who, as executive secretary, represents the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons. Through this man's activity in behalf of the public, he has done more to defeat socialized medicine and to restore harmony between insurance companies and his profession, than anyone we know." Then Mr. Borden introduced your executive secretary and he received a tremendous ovation. This identified your profession and the executive secretary with numerous insurance people whom he did not know.*

*In the afternoon program in which they were presenting case reports, the executive secretary noticed Case No. 3 which read as follows: "What position does your company take in regard to dental surgery? If there is no specific exclusion how is it handled? If the contract defines a physician as one who is legally licensed to practice medicine, how do you handle claims from osteopaths, chiropractors and chiropodists, where they may be state licensed?" As soon as this case was presented, your executive secretary asked for the floor and stated he was surprised to see the manner in which this case was worded—that he did not feel any insurance man in this state worded this case and if one did, he must have been either asleep or ignorant of the law in Texas and other states—that he had recognized this wording was an error on somebody's part but had to state it was an insult to the osteopathic profession, which is licensed to practice medicine and surgery, to link osteopathic phys-*



icians with chiropractors and chiropodists both of whom are limited in their scope. Then the executive secretary sat down, and again received a tremendous ovation.

Another man immediately arose to his feet and stated frankly that every insurance company should know, if they already did not, that osteopathic physicians and surgeons are licensed to practice medicine and surgery and that he himself considered the wording in Case No. 3 an insult to the osteopathic profession and to the man who was here among them who had done so much to support the voluntary health insurance program.

At their cocktail party that evening, not less than 40 or 50 men (some of whom the executive secretary knew and some of whom he did not) came to him and thanked him for getting to his feet as quickly as he did, stating the only regret they had was that he beat them in his protest because they themselves had wanted to say something along the same lines he had mentioned. Following the cocktail party there was a dinner party and that evening he was shown every courtesy and received apologies from everyone there.

*On Saturday, the meeting continued,* and in a panel discussion Mr. Chris Kara of Mutual of Omaha and who is from Omaha, Nebraska spoke to the group and stated how fortunate the Texas group of underwriters were to have such close cooperation with the osteopathic profession—so much so that the executive secretary of the TAOP&S would attend their meeting. He added that he wished other states would cooperate as well as Dr. Phil Russell.

Your executive secretary does not know how any profession could have received as much recognition as ours did, through his attendance at their meeting. It is dead certain we are now

well known among this group, even by many of whom we had never had previous contact with.

The executive secretary left during the business meeting of this group and went directly to the San Antonio Osteopathic Hospital where he had a long conference with Drs. Gordon Beckwith and Everett Wilson and the hospital's insurance clerk. He saw and talked with several members of the hospital staff and later was taken to lunch by Dr. Everett Wilson. Following lunch, he returned to the Underwriter's meeting at the Ramada Inn and enjoyed interviews with various members of that group.

*The rest of the month* was mostly taken up in office procedures, catching up with the collection of dues and attempting to get them all in before the July 1st deadline when each member who has not paid his dues must be dropped from the rolls, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws. The executive secretary, however, has the power to restore them to membership upon payment of their dues before August 1st, but he cannot do so after that date and they will then have to re-apply for membership and undergo the scrutiny of the Membership Committee.

*On June 24,* the executive secretary attended until 10 p.m. the intern dinner party and presentation of certificates to the interns of the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital, held at the Colonial Country Club. At 10 p.m., instead of dancing with the local crowd, he took off by jet to the Lake Wood Country Club in Dallas, arriving there at 11 p.m., in response to an invitation from the Dallas group to attend their intern reception and dance. Dr. G. W. Tompson, our President, was there as was the Speaker of the House, Dr. Charles C. Rahm. Between 11:30 p.m.

and 1:30 a.m. the executive secretary was able to discuss some problems of the profession with Dr. Tompson and to say hello to numerous members of the profession in District No. 5. Needless to say, he was not in the mood for dancing and was what you would call a "sitter-out" or maybe a "wind-jammer." He arrived back in Fort Worth at 2:30 a.m., much weary after such a full day.

*The first part of the week, beginning June 26, was taken up in sending some of your money to the colleges. The following allocations were made to the colleges from the monies collected through your dues:*

Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery	\$17,200
Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery	11,400
College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery	2,500
Philadelphia College of Osteopathy	1,400
Chicago College of Osteopathy	700
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$33,200</b>

*On June 27 the executive secretary left for Dallas, stopping off first at Mid-Cities Memorial Hospital in Grand Prairie. Upon his arrival in Dallas he went directly to the Stevens Park Os-*

teopathic Hospital from which he contacted, by phone, Dallas Osteopathic Hospital and East Town Osteopathic Hospital regarding staff members who had not as yet paid the 1961-62 dues.

At 1:30 p.m. he was at the National Life Assurance Co. office for a meeting with their claims department. An interesting sidelight was that when he announced himself at the receptionist's desk he was held in the waiting room until the President of this company came down from his offices above. He approached the executive secretary and said, "Hello, Dr. Russell. I have not had the pleasure of talking to you personally before, so I asked that if you came into the office to hold you until I could get down to see you. I just want to say to you that the insurance industry appreciates your association's work in the interest of the public, your profession and the insurance industry. I want to assure you, you will have no argument in this office . . . that we will accept your word in the settlement of any claim." The executive secretary immediately replied that he could not accept this responsibility . . . that if he could not prove to the claims department, by the records, that he was right, he certainly did not want any settlement made until a mutual agreement was reached. He spent some hour and a

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half with the claims department and a fair adjustment was made on the claim which had been submitted to our Insurance Committee by a member of our profession.

The executive secretary then stopped by to see Dr. S. J. Candas whose offices were in the same building. Dr. Candas reported that Mr. Reeves, President of this insurance company had said practically the same thing to him that he had stated to the executive secretary.

*After an interesting visit* with Dr. Candas, the executive secretary went to Great West Life Assurance Company where he met with their claims department until 6 p.m. over a claim submitted to our Committee by one of our hospitals—which claim was extremely doubtful as the difficulty appeared to be the fault of the hospital rather than the insurance company.

On June 29, the executive secretary was at the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital to welcome the new interns in the indoctrination course. At 10:30 a.m. he met with Dr. George Chambers of "Jenny Slipper" (Muleshoe) who had sold his hospital and is now looking for a new location and seeking advice and help from the executive secretary.

At 1:30 p.m. he met with Mrs. Jane Siniard, Administrator of the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital and Mr. J. D. Weatherly, Administrator of Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospital as three of the members of the committee to evaluate certain changes in the requirement for licensing of hospitals by the State Department of Health. The

other two members of the Committee, Dr. G. W. Thompson and Mr. Lee Davis, Administrator of Community Hospital in Houston are to submit their findings in writing and the executive secretary is to correlate all of the recommendations and forward them to the State Department of Health.

At 7:30 p.m. the Membership Committee met at the state office with Dr. Raymond D. Fisher, Chairman, Dr. John H. Burnett, the executive secretary and President-Elect Dr. L. G. Ballard present. The Committee met to consider new applications, hardship cases and to formulate plans to enforce the Constitution and By-Laws in reference to dues. The meeting ended at 12 midnight, following which the executive secretary had a 30-minute conference with Dr. Burnett, a member of the Board of Trustees.

On this date monies collected from **SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIPS** were apportioned to the following osteopathic colleges.

Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery	\$3,500
Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery	1,600
College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery	200
Chicago College of Osteopathy	100
Philadelphia College of Osteopathy	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>

See you next month!

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## Washington News Letter

### Health Insurance for Aged

The House Ways and Means Committee began executive consideration of the President's tax proposals the first of this week. As previously announced, the next order of business will be hearings on the eldercare bill H.R. 4222. Last week's Gallup Poll reported two out of three persons interviewed favor the bill. With our Washington News Letter of September 15 we included a description of the Colorado Medical Care Program for the Aged. According to the Wall Street Journal of June 9, 1961, the Colorado Program has had to be cut back because of financial trouble. Dr. H. M. Husted, osteopathic physician of Denver, is quoted as having recently told the State Medical Advisory Board that he had checked hospital charts and found "many who had no business taking up hospital beds." The State has ordered hospitals to establish admission committees of three staff doctors to rule on the conditions of all patients. The article also reported New Mexico as reducing its program benefits, and that North Dakota and Tennessee are tightening their programs that go into effect July 1.

### Restricted Retirement Funds

The Keogh bill, H.R. 10, passed the House June 5. The next hurdle is the Senate Finance Committee. No action has been scheduled to date. Add Florida to the States now permitting professional persons to incorporate.

### Loans for Students and Interns

On June 8, 1961, the Select Committee on Education, House Committee on

Education and Labor, held a one-day hearing on H.R. 4930, introduced by Congressman Powell of New York, a bill to provide loans specifically for medical and dental students and interns. The Government witness, HEW Special Assistant to the Secretary, Boisfeuillet Jones pointed out that the bill amends the National Defense Education Act student loan program so that loans to medical and dental students would be financed entirely by the Federal Government, and would permit more generous loans both as to amount and duration. Although some medical and dental students and osteopathic students already receive aid under the existing program, the new program would assure them of help throughout the period of their professional training. In the course of his testimony, Mr. Jones stated that among medical students who are admitted to medical schools, the rate of academic failure during the first year is today half again as high as it was in the early 1950s. He said that one-fifth of last year's medical graduates had debts of \$2,500 or more, with an average debt of \$6,000. The Government agreed in principle with the objective of H.R. 4930, but stated that preference should be given to program of Federal scholarships, such as under H.R. 4999 (same as S. 1072), rather than loans. The Association of American Medical Colleges supported the loan provisions of the bill but felt that Federal grants to the schools ought not to be tied to loan assistance.



# NEWS OF THE DISTRICTS

## DISTRICT ONE

Regular district dinner meeting in March was held at XIT Room Herring Hotel. Dr. Marouk, Neurosurgeon of Tulsa, Oklahoma, gave two sessions of lectures, which proved to be one of the fine programs of all time.

We are happy to announce that Peggy Rossman, wife of Dr. Edwin Rossman, is convalescing after major surgery at Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital. Mrs. Rossman's mother, Mrs. Amy Pontz of Harrisburg, Pa., is visiting in Amarillo during her daughter's hospitalization.

Dr. J. Francis Brown and Dorothy, his better half, have returned from their three weeks Jet tour of Europe, and report a wonderful time.

Dr. Wayne Maxwell and Dr. Dorothy Maxwell have moved to Amarillo and Dr. Wayne is associated with Dr. E. W. Cain in practice. The Drs. Maxwell moved from Dalhart, Texas, where Dr. Wayne practiced fourteen years. We in Amarillo are very fortunate in having the Maxwells with us.

Dr. and Mrs. L. V. Cradit attended the Shrine State Convention in Galveston, Texas, recently. Dr. Cradit is Past Potentate of Khiva Shrine in Amarillo, Texas.

Amarillo added two new Osteopathic physicians to the profession, Doctors H. Eugene Brown, Jr. and Bradford Cobb. Dr. Cobb will interne in the Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital.

Did some one say "population explosion"? We have had five sets of twins in Amarillo Osteopathic Hospital in the past month!

B. W. RODAMAR, D.O.  
*Secretary*

## DISTRICT SIX

### I. State President's Visit

District Six acted as host June 5, 1961 for the annual visitation of the state president, Dr. G. W. Tompson. Dr. Tompson, as a member of District Six, was presented with a transistor tape recorder in honor of his achievements in state organizational work and to assist him during the coming year as president. Dr. Tompson presented a summary of the California merger and the attitude of the Texas President towards this development.

### II. New Construction in Houston

Congratulations to these institutions and individuals for their growth and expansion:

Community Hospital — 1800 square feet of additional space, comprising a new kitchen and dining room area to accommodate a 125 bed hospital and new surgery facilities.

Drs. G. A. and R. A. McClimans and their new offices recently completed.

Dr. E. P. Kehoe—New office completed within 30 days.

Drs. G. W. Tompson, V. Zima, C. Wagner, and J. Wolpman all expect to be in their new clinic in the near future.

Stafford, Texas—The new Fort Bend Clinic built by Dr. J. Bartly Jones.

### III. Social, etc.

Dr. Murphy Webb and Dr. J. H. Kritzler recently hosted the staff physicians of Doctors Hospital with an outdoor barbecue at the Webb's home.

Mrs. Homer Wilson has been hospitalized in Houston Osteopathic Hospital with a broken hip.

More about vacations next month . . .

JOSEPH S. CARPENTER, D.O.  
*Reporter*

## DISTRICT EIGHT

Dr. C. Arthur Meyers of Corpus Christi has left private practice to begin a Residency in Internal Medicine at Flint Osteopathic Hospital on August 1.

## DISTRICT TEN

Dr. G. G. Porter, one of the Osteopathic Physicians on the State Board of Medical Examiners recently returned from the June meeting of the State Board where several problems regarding doctors' licenses and their practice privileges were decided among other things which included June State Board Exams.

The last regular meeting of District No. 10 was held at the home of Dr. Richard Mayer where the Auxiliary served a delicious buffet dinner. The business meeting was given over entirely to complete reports of the House of Delegates proceedings and the Board of Trustees Meetings.

Dr. Harlan Wright recently returned from a flying weekend to California where he talked to several of his class-

mate D.O.s about the situation facing them at the present time and their attitudes regarding the merger. He says that from the looks of things he is darn glad to be in Texas, but that members of the TAOP&S better begin to open their eyes and take a more active interest in the politics of their own organization or they may find the same unsavory situation presenting itself in Texas in the not too far distant future.

Dr. J. W. Axtell recently received a little publicity when he removed a gall bladder which was located on the left side of the abdomen. This same patient had all of her internal organs in reversed position having the appendix on the left and the heart, spleen on the right.

HARLAN O. L. WRIGHT, D.O.  
*Secretary*

## DISTRICT ELEVEN

The district had its monthly meeting on the 14th of June 1961, at the new home of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Holcomb. The meeting was held in the den which is separate from the house and which

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Dr. John and Caroline spent much time re-decorating.

The main topic during the business meeting was the presentation and discussion of the adoption of the new constitution and By-Laws by the district. Dr. H. D. Smith, chairman of this committee was commended by the district president for his time and effort in revising the district constitution and By-laws to conform with that of the state organization. Final discussion and adoption of the new constitution and By-laws will be acted upon at the next district meeting.

The program for this meeting was arranged by program chairman, Dr. J. E. Holcomb, in which a film was presented. The film was entitled "Resuscitation of the Newborn," produced by the Smith, Kline and French Laboratories of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This film will be of great interest to all doctors who do any amount of obstetrics.

On Sunday, June 18, the district auxiliary sponsored a Father's Day family picnic at Rosedale Park in the lower valley. Mrs. Owen Vowell, president

of the auxiliary, did a remarkable job in planning this delightful get-together. Even a carnival barker, Mr. Summers, of Texas Western College was hired to add to the fun. Championship ribbons were awarded to the winners of sack races, lady rolling pin contest, three legged races and egg and spoon races. The picnic ended on the usual note of rain although this is unusual for our sunny El Paso. The following day brought many grunts and groans from the would-be doctor athletes. Such a good time was had by all, that already the auxiliary is looking forward to planning more of these informal gatherings.

Dr. and Mrs. R. R. Delgado gave their lovely daughter, Judy, in marriage on the 1st of June 1961, to Joseph Springer. They were married at St. Joseph Catholic Church and the reception was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Among the many distinguished guests and friends was Mayor of El Paso, Ralph Seitsinger and the Mexican consulate of Juarez, Mexico.

M. A. CALABRESE, D.O.  
*Reporter*

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