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# Openings For Osteopathic Physicians In Texas

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## Stanton Hospital Needs Physician

Physicians Hospital and Clinic at Stanton, Texas is in urgent need of an osteopathic physician, according to Dr. Allen M. Fisher of Midland.

Dr. Jack H. Woodrow has moved to New Boston, Texas leaving Dr. Sue Fisher practicing at the Stanton facility.

The Stanton Hospital and Clinic, after being operated a dozen years by MDs, was taken over and is successfully run by DOs, but Dr. Fisher reports that an additional physician is vital at this time.

The hospital is approved by Medicare and Medicaid and private insurance carriers. There is no rent to pay and the only expenses would be nurses and expendables with earnings well above the national average for general practitioners. Dr. Fisher has established his practice at Midland and his wife, Dr. Sue, is holding down the fort in Stanton.

## Board of Medical Examiners Will Meet June 23-25, 1969

The next meeting of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, when Examinations will be given and reciprocity applications will be considered, is scheduled for June 23, 24, 25, 1969, at the Hotel Texas, Fort Worth, Texas.

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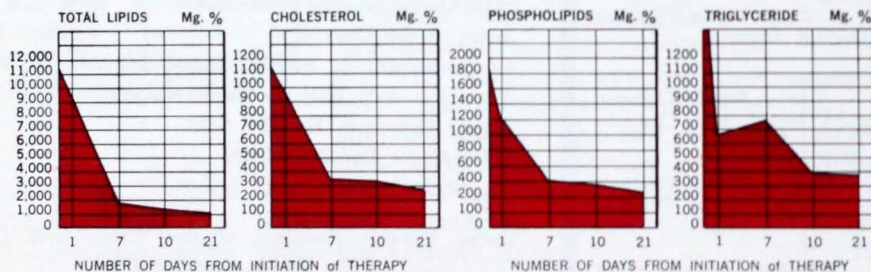
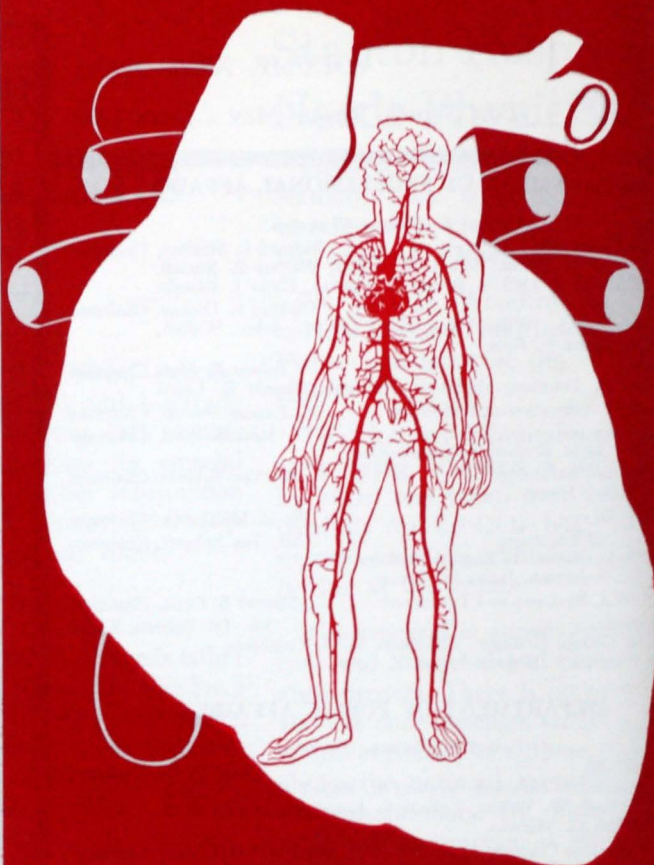


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# MOVING AHEAD

## *Dallas Conclave Sees Aid to TCOM, Headquarters Property Expanded, Annual Dues Increase*

A progressive, forward-looking, expansionist atmosphere pervaded the 70th annual meeting of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons during the week of May 5 through 11, 1969, in Dallas at the Royal Coach Inn.

The House of Delegates concurred with the Board of Trustees in making \$20,000 available in this fiscal year to the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine.

A steering committee composed of one member from each of the 14 districts was formed to work with the College, with Dr. G. W. Thompson of Houston named temporary chairman. He was also elected by the House to serve a three-year term on the TCOM Board of Trustees, along with Dr. Michael A. Calabrese for two years and Dr. H. Eugene Brown for a one-year term.

The TCOM Board met and confirmed the new trustees.

In other action, the TAOP&S Board of Trustees authorized purchase of two lots adjoining the State Headquarters Office in Fort Worth, adding more than 12,000 additional square feet of land to the Association-owned property at 5th and Bailey.

Convention week activities started off with a Finance committee meeting Monday, May 5; a joint meeting of the Boards of TCOM and TAOP&S that evening; TAOP&S Board Tuesday and Wednesday; House of Delegates Thursday; and the main convention May 9 through 11.

Dues of regular members for the fiscal year April 1, 1970 to March 31, 1971, were advanced to \$250.00 by action of the House of Delegates of TAOP&S.

Publication of the annual Directory of the Association was moved up to springtime in order to provide a better tool for incoming TAOP&S administrations.

Dr. George Luibel, chairman of the TCOM Board, said one of the most important needs of the college is the enthusiastic support of the profession in Texas. He welcomed the TAOP&S money and liaison and promptly called a meeting of the newly enlarged college board, among other things, to meet Mr. Ray Stokes, TCOM development director.

One goal set by the college is to graduate 64 family physicians, DO, in 1974.

Dr. Richard L. Stratton, new TAOP&S president, included in his program of work the plan to form a medico-

legal screening panel patterned after a successful one operating in New Mexico.

### TCOM Steering Committee

The Steering Committee representing the House of Delegates to work with the Board of Directors of TCOM, by district: Dr. Donald E. Hackley, District 1; Dr. Raymond E. Beck, District 2; Dr. Carter W. McCorkle, 3; Dr. Wiley B. Rountree, 4; Dr. T. Eugene Zachary, 5; Dr. G. W. Thompson, 6; Dr. Wilfred G. Millington, 7; Dr. M. Glen Kumm, 8; Dr. Homer F. Elliot, 9; Dr. Max M. Stettner, 10; Dr. Mickie G. Holcomb, 11; Dr. Ralph C. Merwin, 12; Dr. James E. Fite, 13; Dr. Joe Suderman, 14.

Dr. Thompson of Houston is temporary chairman and the first meeting of the committee is scheduled for September.

### AAO Elects

Other organizations electing officers in Dallas include the following: The Texas Academy of Applied Osteopathy elected Dr. George Grainger of Tyler, president; Dr. Laura A. Lowell of Dallas, vice president; Dr. Auldine C. Hammond of Beaumont, secretary-treasurer.

### GPs Elect

The Texas Society of General Practitioners named Dr. John A. Walton of Dallas, president; Dr. Wendell V. Gabier of Fort Worth, vice president; Dr. Jack H. Daw-

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*That's one way of looking at it. House of Delegates ponders a problem.*



*Dr. Nobles Reports*

# A Year of Change

ROBERT H. NOBLES, D.O.

It has been a privilege for me to serve as your president this year. I must confess that this is an honor that I had not fully comprehended.

This year has afforded me the opportunity to become aware of the tremendous prestige this profession enjoys and the high esteem in which it is held.

The osteopathic profession was evolved to meet a human need . . . to fill a void in health care. . . . A profession that evolved in a time of human despair . . . given little hope or chance for survival, even by the most charitable . . . given no chance to become a significant force in the health care of the people of this land. A profession brought up and tolerated as a stepchild: misunderstood, criticized by those who knew nothing about it and who were not interested enough to investigate it. A profession sustained because its practitioners render a unique service, vital to the health needs of the people of this land.

Phase I in the development of the osteopathic profession has just been concluded. I consider the era just passed as the era of recognition and acceptance of the osteopathic profession. Last year I chose "Change" for my theme. The more I reflect, the more I am sure that this theme must have resulted from a premonition, because change has been the order of the day.

Several programs vital to the progression of this profession have been finalized during this year. These programs represent many hours of labor by a lot of dedicated people. I would like to introduce some of them to you at this time:

Dr. Mickie Holcomb—Vice President.

Dr. Wiley B. Rountree—Immediate Past President.

Dr. Sam Ganz—Speaker of the House.

Dr. John Boyd—Vice Speaker.



*Who's the happiest! Outgoing president, Dr. Robert H. Nobles of Denton, left, or incoming president, Dr. Richard L. Stratton of Cuero.*

Board of Trustees: Dr. Gene Brown, Dr. Cliff Dickey, Dr. Richard Hall, Dr. Robert Haman, Dr. Jack Leach, Dr. W. G. Millington, Dr. Walters Russell, Dr. Bobby Gene Smith and Dr. Joe Wolpmann.

There have been many others who have given unselfishly of their time and energies on various committees this year.

Many of the programs that have become finalized this year have resulted from long years of planning and work on the part of many people. I will not attempt to recognize all of them, but I would be remiss in duty if I did not recognize one or two individuals who have been a strong guiding influence in the destiny of this profession for many years:

Scholarships: Initial presentation to the Council of Higher Education was made by Dr. G. W. Thompson several years ago when little consideration had been given to the problems of the Texas lad who had to go outside this state for his professional training as an osteopathic physician. Through this initial presentation and the continuous efforts by Dr. Baum and the Public Health Committee, the monies now received by osteopathic students is \$50,000 per annum and has a good chance to be increased significantly this year.

Post graduate education for the osteopathic physician through the University of Texas medical system has become available after years of tireless effort on the part of the Interprofessional Relations Committee under the very able guidance of Dr. Baum.

Likewise, the TCOM is to become a reality after years of tireless efforts of the Committee to Establish an Osteopathic School in Texas under Dr. Luibel.

Again we must express our gratitude to Dr. G. W. Thompson for having the foresight to establish the



## 70th Annual Meeting of Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons

Interprofessional Relations Committee and the Committee for the Establishment of an Osteopathic School in Texas. It is certainly significant that the House of Delegates chose to appoint Dr. Tompson as its first three-year appointment to the Board of TCOM.

We have just passed what some hoped was the beginning of the end. It is, in fact, the end of the beginning for the osteopathic profession. As I stated earlier, the osteopathic profession was evolved to fill a void in the health care of the people of this land. In bridge, when a suit is led in which there is a void, this suit will be trumped by the opponent. This has been the story of the early development of the osteopathic profession. Gentlemen, I am proud to announce to you that the opposition is out of trumps . . . and it is our lead.

It then would follow that we proceed with Phase II in the development of the osteopathic profession . . . that of professional development of our hospitals and professional schools and telling our story to the public.

I am happy to report to you that Phase II has been successfully launched and is off the pad. All systems are GO. The House of Delegates and the Board of Trustees and the Board of Trustees of TCOM have taken definitive action in the sessions just concluded to assure the public that the osteopathic school of practice will remain separate and distinct and that osteopathic care will always be available to meet the public need.

Dues increase of \$40.00 passed, which will assure the institution of badly needed programs to carry the osteopathic story to the public.

Grants in aid up to \$20,000.00 for fiscal year 1969-70 were approved for TCOM development, and TCOM and TAOP&S have joined hands to work toward our common goal to graduate 64 osteopathic physicians, expertly trained in "Family Medicine", by 1974.

As I stated earlier, the osteopathic profession was evolved to meet a public need. . . . The need for the service that the osteopathic physician renders has never been greater than it is today.

The opportunities for this profession are unlimited. As it is with individuals, the limitations on the future progress of the osteopathic profession will be those limitations that are self-imposed.

The greatest singular problem that the profession faces is that of apathy on the part of a few individuals. We must become involved; individually—collectively.

You may know the story of the fishermen who were becalmed in the Dead Sea with no fresh water. When they were near death from thirst, one looked up and discovered another boat nearby. When he asked them for water, one replied, "Let down your own buckets. There is fresh water all around you." For they had unknowingly drifted into the Jordan River.

I have been asked what things have given me the greatest pleasure during my year as president.

I have alluded to the finalization of several programs that I consider vital to the progression of the osteopathic

profession and I am pleased that these programs could culminate during this year.

I have become aware of the greatness of this profession. This gives me new pride.

I have noted with concern the mental anguish and emotional involvement of presidents in the past as they prepared to pass the keys and I have been unable to comprehend their feelings. I guarantee you that I comprehend these feelings now.

If I may be allowed to close on a personal note: The greatest pleasure and most satisfying experience that I have had this year and the one that will always be meaningful to me, is the feeling that I have now as I prepare to step down—that I have done my very best. I thank you.

This is the moment that I have looked forward to for some time. It has been noted that the closer it has gotten to Friday night, the broader my smile has become. I know there is bound to be a reason for this.

I know of no man in the Association who is better qualified by experience, motivation, organizational longevity or leadership ability to assume the office of president of this Association than President Elect Stratton and Dick, I just want to refer to you in that capacity for one more time. Henceforth, I will be past and, as you know, there is nothing more past than a past president.

Most of Dick's professional life has been spent in organizational affairs. He was on the Board of Trustees 14 years, the Department of Public Affairs for six years, and has served as vice president.

Dick, she's a good ship, she's had her shakedown cruise and I guarantee she's seaworthy. It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you aboard as the new skipper.



*"If they can't pass 'Elementary Civilization I' don't spend any more money on 'em!" admonishes Dr. Kenneth McFarland, keynote speaker. Dr. Nobles, left, and Dr. Ronald H. Owens, right, agree. Head of hair in right foreground belongs to Dr. John A. Walton, convention wheel and new president of the G.P.s.*



*President's Inaugural Address*

# Through The Looking Glass

RICHARD L. STRATTON, D.O.

May I introduce to you the new members of your Board of Trustees? These doctors will receive assignments May 11. Their responsibilities have already begun: Dr. Ron Owens, Dr. Ralph Merwin, Dr. David Armbruster and Dr. Wendell Gabier.

Dr. Nobles, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Toastmaster, ladies, honored guests and fellow physicians:

To paraphrase Lewis Carroll—**Medicine Through the Looking Glass**, or even more descriptively, **Medicine in Wonderland**.

Congress passed the Medicare and Medicaid laws and Regional Medical Planning and Comprehensive Health Planning and Public Health Service Acts in 1965. Between midnight June 30, and 12:01 a.m. July 1, 1966, we stepped through the looking glass. Unlike Alice, there is no going back—ever. Regression could occur only by some happenstance too terrible to contemplate. We need not even think about whether we were anxious for, opposed to or neutral about the trip. That phase is done. Like time travelers, we have entered an area from which we are not to be extracted. We are here. Therefore, we waste effort if we look backward. If we are to long continue, much less have meaningful, productive life experiences, we

must take inventory to determine where we are and where we want to go.

True, we are suddenly in a world which is strange and often disquieting to us, but let me remind you there were genuinely fearful things in the world and life behind. What we are experiencing is change (which was Dr. Nobles' theme when he addressed you last year)—change occurring so rapidly that our lifetimes now span what used to require many lifetimes. I am reminded of a recent New York magazine cartoon which showed a monk sitting at a desk, quill in hand, patiently transcribing a book. As he looked up at an hour glass he exclaimed "My goodness, is it that time already!"

How do we become masters of our own professional destiny? Simple. We assume our responsible roles by taking our position as planners of this new age. Individuals can no longer afford to indulge in roles of isolationism, any more than countries can.

Osteopathy is a philosophy of health based upon truths. Truth does not die. It is forever. However, those who champion a truth or philosophy can have it taken from their grasp if they do not continue to foster it.

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*Osteopathic education is represented by, left to right, Dean Willard of KCOS, Mr. Palmgren of COMS, Dr. Luibel of TCOM, President*

*Bremen of KCCOS, Mr. L'Hote of MCOM and Dr. Roy S. Young, president of the AOA.*



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In this medical wonderland our beliefs are under attack. Indeed, we have had so many of the old pressures removed that as a profession we may founder if we become languorous instead of planning our future. The AMA, political medicine, has made repeated overtures to us, fully believing that if it can obtain a health monopoly, it can resurrect the autonomous position it once held in the eyes of the public and the halls of Congress. This type of thinking is behind us—through the glass—not here, not ahead.

On July 1, 1966, the public claimed for its own domain the delivery of its health care, and now proposes to control what it long left to those who apparently did not fulfill its wants. It has declared that it will oversee professional managers who will now conduct hospitals and hospital business, that paramedical personnel and fields are to be opened that were not known a few months or years ago and some that are yet to be conceived. The public has declared what we as a profession have proclaimed: "Health is a human right—not a reserved privilege." Doctors do not own health, any more than lawyers own law or musicians music, ad infinitum. Only the public can be said to own health. This is as it must be. The subject is fraught with danger if we let groups or bureaus dictate what the public "wants". Herein is our new role. We must, as individuals and as an association of osteopathic physicians, accept positions of counsel which are open to us in abundance. We must take our place as a part of the interested public and be counted among the planners if we are to avert the dangers we fear.

Professional knowledge and experience should be an integral part of the planning and production of this health care the public has declared it will now provide for itself. Our counsel is being sought by those who invite us into the mainstream and expect us to maintain our identity and our integrity. This means anytime, anywhere—not

just when it is comfortable to do so. If we do not fill these positions, their chagrin will be as great as our own, but they will pass us by as they evolve toward the responsible type of dignified living they see within their grasp. We must expand our thinking and activities to include an ever-widening circle of endeavor.

We hear that our profession's strength might be diluted if more and more D.O.s accept staff positions in public institutions. This has not been so. With progressive acceleration, hospital districts and tax funded institutions are being formed or supported to provide facilities where sufficient private funds are not available, but a need exists. If our profession needs hospitals in which to care for its patients, it must necessarily be in such institutions.

Are we to shrink from the challenge in the fear that participation will wrench our philosophy from our grasp? Are we to restrict our concept of education to a formal discourse among a select few? If our belief is deep-seated and genuine, if we have **first** educated ourselves, we need not fear dilution. Rather, we can find ourselves among any group of planners, or on any hospital staff, and be valid participants of the future, and educators—perhaps most importantly—educators of those who would seek to absorb and destroy us. But we must be certain that we have properly prepared ourselves for this great responsibility—this assurance that the osteopathic philosophy is preserved for and delivered to the public. Too many years and lives have been expended to let this truth be taken up and promoted by those who would pilfer it, distort it and present it as an original idea. We must protect and develop our own osteopathic institutions wherein they are established or may be established, while realizing they will have to utilize public funds to progress. Yes, the public is giving us their trust. As your president I now pledge to you the talents and efforts of your elected officers.



New officers of the Auxiliary to TAOP&S are: Mrs. T. Robert Sharp, President; Mrs. Donald E. Hackley, President Elect; Mrs. Benjamin R. Beall, II, Vice-President; Mrs. James E. Thompson, Secretary; Mrs. Bobby Gene Smith, Treasurer; Mrs. Robert G. Haman,

Immediate Past President. These officers were installed by Mrs. R. N. Rawls, Jr. of Granbury, Texas, President of the Auxiliary to the American Osteopathic Association.





*It was called a Shipwreck Party. The sailor is Dr. Hugo J. Ranelle. The happy coconut farmer didn't seem to mind the wreck at all.*



*Like I said . . .*



*Chairman of TCOM board, Dr. George J. Luibel, Mrs. Luibel, Dr. and Mrs. Carl E. Everett were dressed like this when the ship wrecked.*



*Little do these happy shipwrecked revelers know how much Dr. T. Eugene Zachary and District V ladies struggled with that bamboo fence in the background.*

## *Moving Ahead* (From Page 5)

kins of Corpus Christi, secretary-treasurer. Board members are: Dr. T. Eugene Zachary of Richardson, Dr. Armin L. Karbach of Arlington and Dr. Donald M. Peterson of Dallas.

### KCOS Alumni

Texas Chapter of the Kirksville Osteopathic Alumni Association elected: Dr. Ronald H. Owens of Dallas, president; Dr. Richard M. Hall of Groom, vice president; Dr. Clifford E. Dickey of Fort Worth, secretary; Dr. Catherine K. Carlton of Fort Worth, treasurer.

### Scholarships Awarded

The Phil R. Russell Scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded to Jack Grainger of Tyler and two \$750 TAOP&S scholarships were awarded to Gary M. Johnston of Commerce and Robert Hames of Hurst. First alternate was Delbert P. Cook, Weatherford, second alternate was Michael Blum of Dallas and third alternate was William V. Hamilton of Dallas.

### H. of D. Plaques Presented

For 10 or more years service in the TAOP&S House of Delegates, engraved plaques were awarded to these doctors for the number of years service indicated: J. Paul Price, Jr. 10; Henry A. Spivey, 10; Dan D. Beyer, 16;



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*By the cabana, Dr. Evelyn Hall Kennedy and No. 1 son consult with Drs. Horan and Grainger.*



*Anyway, I saved the mink, Mrs. Horan informs the doctor.*



*Our Chairman*

Wayne M. Smith, 10; Howard R. Coats, 10; Charles C. Rahm, 12; Norman B. Leopold, 10; Wiley B. Rountree, 11; Elmer C. Baum, 18; Waldemar D. Schaefer, 14; Mabel F. Martin, 14, John H. Boyd, 12 and Samuel B. Ganz, 11.

Certificates for 5-10 years service were awarded these doctors: Ersal W. Cain, 7; Francis Brown, 7; Dwight H. Cox, 5; John L. Witt, 5; Glenn C. Porter, 9; Carl E. Everett, 9; Robert N. Rawls, 6; Noel G. Ellis, 6; William R. Jenkins, 5; R. H. Peterson, 8; William D. Blackwood, 7; Henry E. Roberts, 6; Clifford E. Dickey, 5; Charles H. Bragg, 9; J. Natcher Stewart, 6; Charles D. Ogilvie, 6; Carl F. List, 7; John S. Turner, 9; Palmore Currey, 7; Henry Hensley, 5; Ross A. McKinney, 5; V. Mae Leopold, 6; James M. Shy, 5; Frank J. Bradley, 7; A. Roland Young, 7; Robert G. Haman, 9; Walters R. Russell, 5; John H. Burnett, 9; T. Eugene Zachary, 5; Robert B. Finch, 6; Robert F. Lutz, 5; Robert H. Lorenz, 6; Nelson E. Dunn, 6; Gordon A. McClimans, 5; Joseph E. Wolpmann, 5; William R. Masters, 5; Jack P. Leach, 5; Joe P. Alexander, 7; Robert P. Kelley, 5; Richard O. Brennan, 5; Donald C. Young, 5; Lester I. Tavel, 8; J. Ralph Cunningham, 7; Loren R. Rohr, 6; G. W. Tompson, 6; William H. Badger, 6; Wilfred G. Millington, 8; Joseph L. Love, 7; Gordon S. Beckwith, 6; Leland C. Long, 7; M. Glen Kumm, 5; H. Freeman Elliot, 9; Robert J. Brune, 7; Richard L. Stratton, 8; H. Eugene Brown, 6; Harlan O. L. Wright, 7; Michael A. Calabrese, 6; Roger R. Delgado, 5; Mickie G. Holcomb, 7; Harvey D. Smith, 5; Kenneth R. Watkins, 7; James E. Fite, 7; Selden E. Smith, 5; Ralph I. McRae, 5.



*President-elect gets attention from Mrs. Smith, Mrs. John A. Walton and Mrs. Ronald H. Owens.*



# NEWS OF THE DISTRICTS



D. D. BEYER, D.O., F.A.C.G.P.

## District No. Two

I understand that the attendance at the District Two Annual Press Party held at the Worth Hotel, Thursday, April 17th, was very disappointing as to the attendance of the District Two DO's.

Your District Two reporter was invited to attend Senator Don Kennard's Governor For a Day party April 25th, but declined because I had surgery lately. Dr. George Luibel

attended and said that it was quite an affair.

Doctors in District 2 congratulate Drs. Bobby Smith, Wendell Gabier and A. L. Karbach. Dr. Smith is the new President-Elect and Dr. Gabier is the new member of the Board of Trustees of the TAOP&S.

Dr. Karbach was chosen as General Practitioner of the year by the Texas Society of General Practitioners.

I understand that two of these doctors had their picture on the front page of the Arlington Sunday morning paper, the last day of the State Convention. The DOs in Arlington must be especially proud of these doctors because they are all from Arlington.

I was presented a beautiful plaque by the House of Delegates for serving 16 years as a delegate. Many thanks! I came in second to Dr. Elmer Baum; he has served 18 years.

## District No. Seven

By WALDEMAR D. SCHAEFFER, DO

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Beckwith attended the E.E.N.T. Board meeting and seminar in St. Louis the first part of May. After the meeting they took a brief vacation to Phoenix, Arizona to visit his mother.

Dr. Gordon Beckwith attended the meeting of the College of Surgeons in Miami, Florida.

Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Edwards attended the T.A.O.P.&S. state convention accompanied by their young daughter. Melissa had the opportunity to see the "workings" of a convention and to visit and shop in "Big D."

District No. 7 had a good number in attendance at the convention. Dr. M. P. Ollom, Dr. Elmer Baum and Dr. Waldemar D. Schaeffer served as delegates. At the meeting Dr. Baum received a plaque for 18 years of service in the House of Delegates and Dr. Waldemar D. Schaeffer a plaque for 13 years service. Dr. W. Millington

was elected to represent District No. 7 in the newly created liaison or study committee to evaluate the inter-relationship between the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine and the T.A.O.P.&S.

Dr. Jesse Diaz was recently installed as the President of the Alumni Association of Kansas City College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

Dr. William Mosheim is the Division Captain of District No. 7 of the 8th Coast Guard Auxiliary.

San Antonio Osteopathic Hospital is literally bursting at the seams. There are times when the doctors wait,

"Why can't I get a bed for my patient?"

Our beloved administrator, Dr. Everett Wilson, manages to keep everybody on an even keel and does an excellent job of public relations. We regret his retirement scheduled for January, 1970.

I had the pleasure of attending the T.A.O.P.&S. convention as a delegate from District No. 7. I felt the caucus was so well run without any display of emotions or arguments, that it was downright sterile! The many, many pre-caucus caucuses have taken much of the pleasure out of the general caucus. I admit the caucus of today is better than the old-time private caucuses but I wish we could revert to the efforts of the old-time caucus. If one's district is made to feel little and unimportant it does not "set well."

I would like to pass on some observations of my own and things overheard: Many of the delegates are naturally from out-of-town. They consider it a privilege to represent their district and attend the convention but they also like to be able to visit the community and shop. When the convention is held away from the center of town it is almost impossible to do this. I feel it might be well to give this some consideration before scheduling another convention so far from the center of town.

My personal observation of the personnel of the Royal Coach Inn is that they could easily qualify for employment in the busy metropolitan hotels of New York City due to their extreme indifference to the individual, their coolness and manner of speech. Their courtesy left much to be desired.

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# Texas Demands AOA Help for Small Hospital

Texas is demanding that something be done to help small osteopathic institutions survive.

Although the trend of medicine nationally has been to virtually abandon the smaller community, the House of Delegates of the TAOP&S in official annual session May 9 in Dallas called upon the American Osteopathic Association House of Delegates to end the "non-status" attitude displayed toward small osteopathic hospitals.

The resolution sent the AOA House divides the question of federal standards (AOA) for accreditation and some recognition being accorded the small hospital rendering needed service to small communities and neighborhoods:

RESOLVED, that a halt be ordered in the non-status attitude displayed toward small osteopathic hospitals in all states by the American Osteopathic Association and, that the Office of Hospital Affairs and the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association be instructed to once again promulgate a satisfactory and candid recognition program for listing small osteopathic hospitals who render valuable service to the public but who cannot meet federal requirements, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that though the so-called single standard accreditation program of the American Osteopathic Association be declared proper for caring for federal-aid patients, recognition should be restored to small osteopathic hospitals in order that their continued survival be not further jeopardized and they receive reimbursement from private hospital insurance carriers for the services they are qualified to render to patients of Doctors of Osteopathy in smaller communities and neighborhoods of this land.

## In Memoriam

### *C. Bowden Beaty, DO*

C. Bowden Beaty, DO, 52, KCOS '46, was found dead of an apparent heart attack April 25 at his home on Lake Tyler. Services were at Christ Episcopal Church and burial in Tyler.

Dr. Beaty was a native of Lockhart, and had been in Tyler for the past 15 years. He was a member of the staff of Doctors Hospital, and the Broadway Clinic. He was a graduate of Lockhart High School, and held a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A&M. He was a graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Thelma Beaty; a son, Clyde Beaty of Tyler; two daughters, Miss Margaret Beaty of Austin and Miss Luan Beaty of Tyler; his father, Clyde Beaty of Lockhart.

## Trinity Osteopathic Hospital is Sold

Trinity Osteopathic Hospital and Clinic in Carrollton has been sold to North Dallas General Hospital Inc., announced Sam H. Sonntag.

Sonntag was instrumental in purchase arrangements between the two organizations and will serve as administrative consultant for the new owners until a permanent administrator is appointed.

North Dallas General Hospital is a newly formed, wholly owned subsidiary of Monterey Nursing Inns of Columbus, Ohio.

The 68-bed hospital was operated in Carrollton for two years, but has been closed for the past nine months, serving the area on an outpatient basis. It will resume full operation as soon as the staff has been hired, Sonntag said.—Dallas Morning News.

## HEW Order Dooms Stratton Hospital

CUERO—Stratton Hospital, located at 306-308 E. Broadway, is going to be forced to close its doors to Medicare patients after April 30 unless an order issued by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare terminating its provider agreement with the hospital can be delayed or rescinded, Dr. Richard L. Stratton, partner-owner and administrator informed The Record.

Dr. Stratton said he is making every effort to get the time extended until Cuero's new community hospital now under construction is completed and ready for occupancy.

"It appears ironic that Stratton Hospital was singled out by the HEW for forced closing, when none of the three local hospitals can meet the stringent federal regulations," Dr. Stratton said.

In addition to owning and staffing Stratton Hospital, with his father, Dr. C. R. Stratton, Dr. Richard Stratton is an active member of the Hospital Licensing Advisory Council State of Texas, President of the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and County Health Officer for DeWitt County.

"We have never informed HEW representatives that we could comply with all the regulations required for full recognition and accreditation but we did expect they would allow us to operate at least until the new hospital is completed, as they have during the past two years," Dr. Stratton concluded.—San Antonio Express.

### **Dr. Nash Awarded Armed Forces Reserve Medal**

Amarillo, Texas — Dr. (Major) Gerard K. Nash, of Amarillo, has been awarded the Armed Forces Reserve Medal for serving 10 consecutive creditable years in the U.S. Army Reserve.

Dr. Nash heads the Department of Radiology at the Southwest Osteopathic Hospital.



# Dr. Lauf Honored As Life Member For His Services

Dr. Lawrence J. Lauf, Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon of Lubbock, Texas was named an honorary life member of TAOP&S at the 70th annual meeting in recognition of his long years of service to the people of West Texas. He was nominated by District 10 in a unanimous vote at a recent meeting there.

Dr. Lauf was born on March 12, 1902 and graduated from the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery on January 24, 1930. The next seven years he practiced at the Lake of the Ozarks, in Missouri and in Montana. In 1937, he carried on a general practice in Plains, Texas, where he stayed until 1939. At that time, he moved to Denver City, Texas and was in general practice there, until serving in the Navy from 1942 until 1946.

Following his discharge from the service in 1946, he went into practice at the Porter Clinic-Hospital with Dr. G. G. Porter. He had a particular interest in obstetrics. In 1955, he established the Lauf Maternity Hospital. Knowing that it was most important to have access to a general hospital, because of cesarean sections and other surgeries resulting from obstetrics, he established his clinic directly across the street from the Porter Clinic. He has an extremely high regard for the doctors at Porters as consultants and assistants, which was another determining factor of his location.

For many years, including the time that he was at Porter Clinic-Hospital, he made home deliveries in a radius of 40 miles from Lubbock. His practice became so large, that in spite of having several nurses to help on deliveries and three cars to transport them, he found difficulty in meeting the demands on his time. At that time, he limited his deliveries to his Clinic-Hospital.

Dr. Lauf provided an indigent serv-

ice to a city which has no indigent care facilities, such as a county hospital. His value to the physicians of this community and to the community as a whole are incalculable. In late 1968, his landlord sold the property in which he was practicing to a commercial enterprise and Dr. Lauf has moved to 2358 34th Street. There, he continues to carry on a maternity practice. His deliveries for 1969 are estimated at 800. Dr. Lauf has also maintained a general practice in which his average out patient load has been from 50 to 100 patients per day over the past 10 years. Following are delivery statistics of his years in Lubbock:

YEAR	TOTAL NO. DELIVERIES	YEAR	TOTAL NO. DELIVERIES
1946	131	1958	953
1947	161	1959	1,077
1948	257	1960	1,061
1949	424	1961	1,297
1950	443	1962	1,236
1951	515	1963	1,405
1952	586	1964	1,387
1953	757	1965	1,364
1954	611	1966	1,089
1955	793	1967	964
1956	884	1968	894
1957	832	1969 (Est.)	800

## DISTRICT NEWS

### District No. Nine

By H. F. ELLIOT, DO

The news from District IX will be very brief this month. Our monthly meeting which was scheduled at Louise, Texas with Dr. John Boyd was cancelled due to many conflicts and previous commitments of our membership. Dr. Boyd will host the next regular meeting.

Dr. H. F. Elliot of Rockport was re-elected president of the Aransas County Independent School District Board of Trustees for the coming year. He is starting his 15th year on this board and his ninth year as president.

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H. George Grainger, DO, F.A.A.O.

## District No. Three

Dr. Slye came through with two prizes at the Shipwreck Party at the State Convention: a cartridge stereo for his other car, and some sort of cash scaler or something. In addition, the ladies presented Dr. Slye with a sleek gold Cross ballpoint pen for his work as a go-between betwixt the State Auxiliary and the parent body.

Your reporter, by the way, came in second, costume-wise, at the Shipwreck Party. (Good guys always come second.)

Personalized license plate on car parked in Doctor's parking facility behind Tyler's Medical Center Hospital: "G U."

Dr. and Mrs. George Grainger's last one, Jack, graduated in Zoology from The University this May, gets married in June, and goes off to get his here osteopathy at Kansas City come September. Congratulations, Mrs. Grainger!

"Imateria Medica," the regular column of nonsense in the back of MEDICAL TRIBUNE, recently ran a contribution of your assiduous reporter. It was about neologisms, of which 10 or 12, from various contributors, were printed. The item stated, "H. G. Grainger, D.O., of Tyler, Texas, contributed:

"IATROCITY: medical outrage.  
"ENCYCLOPEDIATRICIAN: baby doctor who knows it all."

Some neologic daffynitions submitted but not used (and it's a shame) were:

MEDICAREERIST: today's geriatrician.

ATTRIBEAUTS: Raquel Welch has two.

## District No. Thirteen

By R. D. VAN SCHOICK, DO

Our April meeting was held at the Ramada Inn, Sherman, Texas April 12, 1969. We had seven members present with their wives and two company representatives from the Ives Laboratories. After a nice meal we all enjoyed a film on Cranial Arteriography.

Dr. S. E. Smith was very much in the newspapers lately; first being re-elected to the School Board at Wolfe City and also being a C.A.A. physician at a plane wreck in which all three occupants of the plane were killed. Dr. Smith posted two of them.

Dr. & Mrs. Ayer are painting and decorating their new home in Bonham.

Dr. Max Ayer was sworn in as new president of District No. 13 at the last District meeting.

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