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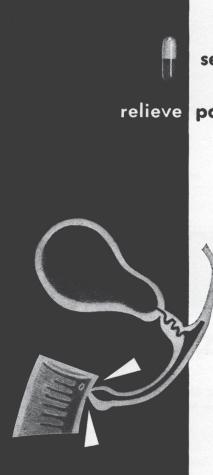
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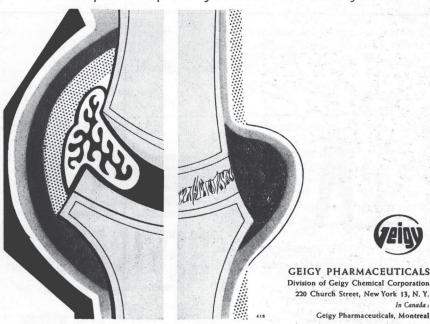
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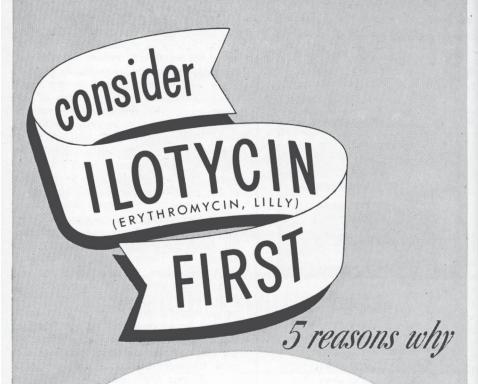
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With The Editor ...

For those who would add the burden of a tax-supported system of Federal Compulsory Health Insurance to the nation's woes, some statistics by the California Taxpayers Association are of interest . . . The Association, a private research organization, says the total of all taxes, both direct and indirect, will amount to some 90 billion dollars in levies . . . This means it takes a \$4,500a-year man two hours and 35 minutes of his eight hour day to earn enough to pay his taxes . . . This same average man labors one hour and 24 minutes each day for housing, one hour and 37 minutes for food, 36 minutes for clothing, 42 minutes for transportation, 23 minutes for medical care, 20 minutes for recreation, and 23 minutes for all other goods and services. . . . In other words, this typical person works only 26 minutes more a day to provide food and housing for his family than he does to pay his tax bill. . . . All of which points to the need for more economy in government. . . A sour apple award to the Daily Oklahoman newspaper for reporting that Oklahoma County Medical Society's recent election of colored members was the first of its kind by a county medical society in Oklahoma. . . . The Tulsa County Medical Society admitted its first colored member two years ago. . . . Prior to that, several negro physicians had been accepted by county medical societies in the smaller towns of Oklahoma. . . . The Tulsa County Medical Society and the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce's Public Health Committee have accepted an invitation to join the Tulsa Council of Social Agencies in a study of indigent medical care in Tulsa County. . . . The survey will begin early in 1955 with results designed as a basis for further planning of indigent medical care facilities in the area. . . . Members of the Central High School's Pre-Med Club are competing in an essay contest sponsored by the Tulsa County Medical Society. . . . The doctors-to-be will write on the subject, "Why I Want To Be A Doctor." . . . The prize is \$25.00.



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ELECTION OF OFFICERS SCHEDULED

Tulsa County Medical Society Sets Annual Business Meeting for December 13, 1954. Committee Reports and Membership Dues to Be Approved. Nineteen Officials to Be Selected.

Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society will meet Monday, December 13, 1954, at 8:00 P.M. in an annual business meeting and election of officers. Nineteen officials will be selected from a list of sixty-two members eligible to hold office. Standing and special committees will render reports of activity for the current year, and the membership will approve an operating budget and fix the amount of membership dues for 1955. There will be no scientific program.

The meeting will again be held in the Auditorium of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield Building, 1215 South Boulder, Tulsa. Telephone service is available by calling 5-9149.

Officers to be elected include President-Elect (to serve as President in 1956), Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, one member of the Board of Trustees, one member of the Board of Censors, two members of the House of Delegates, and eleven alternate delegates.

Dr. Frank J. Nelson, Tulsa internist elected last year, will assume office as President on January 1, 1955, succeeding Dr. Wilkie D. Hoover. The incumbent Vice-President is Dr. R. M. Wadsworth, and the incumbent Secretary-Treasurer is Dr. Charles G. Stuard.

Dr. John E. McDonald is the retiring member of the Board of Trustees. Holdover trustees include Dr. Thomas J. Hardman (1955), Dr. Ralph A. McGill (1956), Dr. Marshall O. Hart (1957), and Dr. G. R. Russell (1958). Trustees serve a term of five years each.

Dr. I. H. Nelson is the retiring member of the Board of Censors. Holdover members are Dr. F. L. Flack (1955) and Dr. Hugh C. Graham (1956). Censors serve a term of three years each.

There will be two vacancies on the House of Delegates, Oklahoma State Medical Association, as Dr. Robert E. Funk and Dr. Marshall O. Hart complete their terms this year. Holdover delegates are Dr. Felix R. Park (1955), Dr. Walter E. Brown (1956), Dr. J. D. Shipp (1956), Dr. Earl M. Lusk (1957), Dr. Horace H. Porter (1957), Dr. Lowell L. Stokes (1957), Dr. Berget H. Blocksom (1958), Dr. I. H. Nelson (1958), and Dr. Rayburne W. Goen (1958). Delegates serve a term of five years each.

Eleven alternate delegates will be selected to serve a term of one year each. Alternates for 1954 were Dr. James B. Thompson, Dr. W. A. Dean, Dr. Ben F. Gorrell, Dr. Herbert J. Forrest, Dr. Paul N. Atkins, Jr., Dr. Wendell L. Smith, Dr. Henry S. Browne, Dr. Hugh Perry, Dr. James C. Peters, Dr. L. A. Munding, and Dr. Gifford H. Henry.

The Society may qualify a twelfth delegate in 1955. One delegate is permitted for each 25 or fraction thereof of members certified to the Oklahoma State Medical Association. Under the By-Laws this vacancy will be filled by election at a general meeting unless the certification of the delegate occurs after the last business meeting before the House session has been held. Under such circumstances, the Board of Trustees may appoint one

of the alternates to serve as a delegate for

the single session only.

As provided by the By-Laws, a member must have (1) been a member of the Society for five full years and (2) must have attended fifty per cent of the regularly scheduled scientific meetings of the Society during the current year in order to be eligible for nomination for office. A total of sixty-two members meets this requirement. The list of eligibles appears on Page 8 of this issue of The Bulletin. Seven meetings were held in 1954, and to be eligible a member must have attended four meetings. No credit for attendance is given unless the signature of the member appears on the official roll book placed at the door of each meeting.

Annual reports of standing and special committees will be mimeographed and mailed to all members in advance of the December 13th meeting. These published reports may be accepted in lieu of oral presentation by action of the membership.

No member will be permitted to vote unless his 1954 annual membership dues

THE ELIGIBLES

Atchley, R. Q. Black, H. J. Blocksom, B. H. Boone, W. B. Boyd, Hugh L. Brighton, C. E. Brown, Walter E. Browne, Henry S. Buchan, W. H. Caldwell, C. L. Cook, W. Albert Davis, Thomas H. Dean, W. A. Flack, F. L. Ford, H. W. Forrest, H. J. Goen, R. W. Gorrell, Ben F. Graham, Hugh C. Gray, John F. Hardman, T. J. Hart, M. O. Henry, G. H. Hoover, W. D. Johnson, R. H. Kelley, J. W. Larrabee, W. S. Lusk, Earl M. Matt, John G. McDonald, J. E. McDowell, R. E.

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are paid in full.

An annual operating budget will be presented by the Board of Trustees with a recommendation for the amount of dues for 1955. Approval of the budget includes approval of the recommended dues. Dues for 1954 were \$68.00. Under the By-Laws, it is mandatory that the annual dues of the Oklahoma State Medical Association and the American Medical Association be added to this amount. State dues for 1955 will again be \$42.00, and it is expected that the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association will continue the current figure of \$25.00 annually by action at its Interim Session in Miami early this month.

DOCTORS MAKE 103 PER CENT OF COMMUNITY CHEST GOAL

Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society contributed a total of \$15,669.00 to the 1955 Campaign of the Tulsa Community Chest-American Red Cross, it was announced last month by Dr. John G. Matt, Chairman of the Doctors Division. The figure represents 103 per cent of the assigned quota and is approximately \$1,200 over contributions for last year. Ninety-seven per cent of the membership contributed.

An "Oscar" was awarded to Dr. Matt for his work by Mr. J. A. LaFortune and awards were also given at the November 8th meeting of the Tulsa County Medical Society to the following workers: Dr. Frank J. Nelson, Dr. Wilkie D. Hoover, Dr. Marshall O. Hart, Dr. William C. Ewell, Dr. Maxwell A. Johnson, Dr. Homer A. Ruprecht, Dr. Howard M. Cohenour, Dr. W. Carl Lindstrom, Dr. John E. McDonald, Dr. Richard E. Mc-Dowell, Dr. Milton L. Berg, Dr. Hugh J. Evans, and Dr. Harold A. White. An award was also given to Mr. Jack Spears, Executive Secretary, and his staff for clerical assistance in the campaign.

DR. E. W. REYNOLDS, JR. has resigned from the staff of Springer Clinic to become Research Associate and Instructor in Medicine at the University of Michigan School of Medicine, Ann Arbor, Michigan.



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GIFTS OF THE MONTH-:

Dr. Hugh C. Graham. Many issues of various journals including Pediatrics, volumes 1-10, 1948-52. This gift gives the Medical Library a complete file of this very popular journal.

Oklahoma State Department of Health. Public Health Statistics, State of Oklahoma, 1953. Part I: Reportable Disease.

Dr. Russell C. Pigford. The following volumes:

First Conference on Electrokymography, Proceedings. 215 pp., illustrated. Public Health Publication No. 59. Sponsored by the National Heart Institute, Washing-

ton, D. C. U. S. Government Printing Office, 1951.

Lipidoses: Diseases of the Cellular Lipid Metabolism. By Siegfried J. Thannhauser, M.D., Assistant Professor of Medicine, Tufts College Medical School. Edited by Henry A. Christian, M.D. 370 pp., illustrated, Oxford University Press, New York, N. Y., 1940.

The Heart in Pregnancy. By Julius Jenson, M.D., Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine, Washington University School of Medicine. 371 pp., C. V. Mosby

Company, St. Louis, Missouri, 1938.

The Mechanism and Graphic Registration of the Heart Beat. By Sir Thomas Lewis, Honorary Consulting Physician, Ministry of Pensions, London, and Physician and Lecturer in Cardiac Pathology, University College Hospital, London, England. Third edition, 529 p.p., illustrated (part colored), Shaw and Sons, Ltd., London, England, 1925.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE TULSA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY-:

In the Staff Proceedings of Hillcrest Medical Center, Volume One, Number Two (July) 1954, the following articles appear:

Dr. Henry A. Brocksmith. Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms. Pp. 1-3.

Dr. Martin Leibovitz. Surgical Treatment of Aneurysms of the Abdominal Aorta. Pp. 4-6.

Dr. Leo Lowbeer. Aneurysms of the Abdominal Aorta and Its Branches . Pp. 7-23.

NEW SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS PUBLISHED

Survey of Surgical Technique. Thomas G. Orr, M.D., Editor-in-Chief. It will be issued bi-monthly beginning in February, 1955. Williams & Wilkins Company of Baltimore, Maryland, is the publisher. The annual subscription rate will be \$12.00 annually.

Journal of Biophysical and Biochemical Cytology. This new journal will be published bi-monthly, one volume each year, by the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research, New York, N. Y. Publication will begin in January, 1955. The annual subscription rate will be \$7.50.

Clinical Chemistry. This new journal is sponsored by the American Association of Clinical Chemists and will begin publication in January, 1955. The publisher will be Paul B. Hoeber and Company, New York. Harold D. Appleton, M.D., will be Chairman of the Board of Editors. The annual subscription rate will be \$8.00.

One of the most interesting of the Medical Library's old and rare books is the Third Edition of the Medical Pocketbook by John Elliott, M.D. It is a small book, only 5½ by 3½ inches in size, published in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1781. It is printed only on one side of the page. The unprinted pages bear formulae for remedies written by the book's first owner, Dr. Lewis Schweitzer, of Springfield Township, Buck County, Pennsylvania, 1804.

One of these remedies is for dyspepsia and calls for the following: one quart of hickory ashes, one teacupful of soot, mixed together with six quarts of cold water it is allowed to "digest." It is then strained and a half gill is ordered to be taken three times a day.

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Time has a way of passing almost unnoticed, and thus it is that I have come to the end of a pleasant year as President of your Tulsa County Medical Society. It has been an interesting and enlightening experience, and I wish that every member could have the opportunity of serving in this capacity; only in this way can you truly appreciate the effort the Society is making in behalf of the Medical Profession and of the general public in a great variety of ways. I have followed courses of action which appear in the best interests of the Profession as a whole, and I have tried to accomplish a useful program of activity. How well the Society has succeeded in 1954, you must judge for yourself. The annual reports will be published early in December and will provide you with a general summary of the activities of the year.

I want to thank you again for conferring upon me the honor of serving as your President, and I hope I have met this responsibility in a satisfactory manner. The guidance and advice of the Board of Trustees has been invaluable, and I cannot sufficiently thank the committee chairmen and members, the employees, and many lay friends of the Society for their help. I would like to express one parting wish that each of the members take a more active part in the affairs of the Society. It has been a source of disappointment to me that some of our members, entrusted with responsibility, have met it in a disinterested manner, and too many of the membership at large have only a passive attitude towards the Society and its work. Only by your active participation and support can the Society reach its maximum in effectiveness and usefulness. The principal recipients of these benefits will be you and your patients.

Sincerely,

President

WHEN SYMPTOMS ARE DISTRESSING BUT DISGUISED...

"It is strange," Malleson says, "how little clinical recognition" has been given to the "negative behavior" or "endogenous misery" of the woman with endocrine imbalance. Largely accountable for this, of course, is the patient's own reluctance to discuss these symptoms with her physician until she actually suffers from some of the more obvious menopausal symptoms such as hot flushes. Even then she may become so accustomed to her change in feeling she can't remember what it's like to feel well.

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 Malleson, J.: Lancet 2:158 (July 25) 1953.
 Goldzieher, M. A., and Goldzieher, J. W.: Endocrime Treatment in General Practice, New York, Springer Publishing Company, Inc. 1953, p. 23.



TEN PROMINENT DOCTORS SET FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Ten nationally known medical personalities will be visiting distinguished guest speakers for the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Oklahoma State Medical Association to be held in Tulsa, May 9-11, 1955, Dr. Walter E. Brown, Chairman of the Scientific Works Committee, announced last month.

Dr. Brown said the following physicians have accepted invitations to ap-

pear on the scientific program:

Walter C. Alvarez, M.D., Internist, formerly Chairman of the Department of Medicine at the Mayo Clinic and now of Chicago, Illinois.

George Crile, Jr., M.D., Surgeon, The

Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio.

J. A. del Regato, M.D., Radiologist, Director of the Penrose Cancer Hospital,

Colorado Springs, Colorado.

James G. Hughes, M.D., Pediatrician, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, University of Tennessee School of Medicine, Memphis, Tennessee.

Charles S. Houston, M.D., Internist, The Exeter Clinic, Exeter, New Hamp-

shire.

John L. Parks, M.D., Obstetrician and Gynecologist, Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, George Washington School of Medicine, Washington, D. C.

William Wallace Scott, M.D., Urologist, Chairman of the Department of Urology, Johns Hopkins School of Medi-

cine, Baltimore, Maryland.

William A. Sodeman, M.D., Internist, Chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine, University of Missouri School of Medicine, Columbia, Missouri.

James K. Stack, M.D., Orthopedic Surgeon, Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery, Northwestern University Medical

School, Chicago, Illinois.

Arthur Purdy Stout, M.D., Pathologist, Professor of Surgical Pathology, Columbia University College of Physicians and

Surgeons, New York, N. Y.

Another special guest will be Elmer Hess, M.D., President-Elect of the American Medical Association, Erie, Pennsylvania, who will address the House of Delegates at its meeting of Sunday, May 8, 1954.

For the first time in several years a program has been scheduled for Monday evening. Visiting doctors and their wives will be guests of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield Plans of Oklahoma for dinner. An after-dinner program will feature Dr. Charles S. Houston of Exeter, New Hampshire. Dr. Houston is one of the world's most famous mountain climbers and led three expeditions to the Himalayas to attempt K-2, the second highest mountain in the world. He was also the first man to climb the gigantic Nandi Devi and was on the reconnaisance expedition to Mount Everest in 1950. He will show his beautiful color motion pictures and slides and describe the expeditions to K-2. Dr. Houston is the author of a new book, "K-2, The Savage Mountain," which promises to become a nationwide best seller.

"We believe we have something unusual in Dr. Houston's appearance," said Dr. Brown, "and this evening program promises to be a delightful one."

The scientific program will be augmented by papers by members of the Oklahoma State Medical Association and

by scientific exhibits.

Dr. James W. Kelley, General Chairman, said last month that details of the social program would be announced in January. A name dance band will play for the President's Inaugural Dinner Dance on Tuesday, May 10th, and an after-dinner program will feature a prominent and entertaining speaker.

Approximately forty commercial exhibits have been sold and only 17 booths remained available as this issue of The Bulletin went to press. All meetings will be held in the Cimarron Ballroom of

Tulsa.

DR. SAFETY R. FIRST has returned from Miami, Florida, where he attended the Annual Meeting of the American College of Cardiac Surgeons, November 11-13, 1954.

DR. W. A. SHOWMAN appeared on the program of the Annual Meeting of the Southern Medical Association at St. Louis, Missouri, November 8-10. His paper dealt with reactions to antibiotics.

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DECEMBER MEDICAL CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, December 1st:

St. John's Isotope Clinic, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M.

Interim Session, American Medical Association, Miami, Florida, continuing through December 3, 1954.

Final date to pay annual membership dues, Tulsa County Medical Society.

THURSDAY, December 2nd:

Postgraduate Surgical Course, Surgical Technique, Pre and Post Operative Care, Hillcrest Medical Center, 12:30 P.M. Speaker, Dr. Martin Leibovitz.
Interns and Residents Lecture, St. John's Hospital, 12:00 Noon. Subject: "Obstetrical Emergencies." Speaker, Dr. D. M. MacDonald.

FRIDAY, December 3rd:

St. John's Isotope Committee Meeting, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M.

St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M.

Quarterly Conference, Children's Medical Center, 8:00 A.M. Subject: "Prophylaxsis in Rheumatic Fever and Serological Tests for Diagnosis of Rheumatic Fever." Speaker, Dr. Henry B. Strenge, Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

SUNDAY, December 5th:

March of Medicine telecast, 4:30 P.M., Television Station KCEB.

MONDAY, December 6th:

Hillcrest Medical Center Staff Meeting, 8:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, December 7th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

Postgraduate Study Course, Hillcrest Medical Center, 5:30 P.M. Subject: "Practical Medico-Legal Aspects." Speaker, Dr. Marshall O. Hart.

WEDNESDAY, December 8th:

St. John's Isotope Clinic, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M.

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, B9 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, 1:00 P.M.

Clinical Pathological Conference, Hillcrest Medical Center, 7:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, December 9th:

Postgraduate Surgical Course, Surgical Technique, Pre and Post Operative Care, Hillcrest Medical Center, 12:30 P.M. Speaker, Dr. Martin Leibovitz. Interns and Residents Lecture, St. John's Hospital, 12:00 Noon. Subject: "Preoperative Preparation, Postoperative Complications, Diagnosis and Treatment." Speaker, Dr. Richard E. McDowell.

FRIDAY, December 10th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M. St. John's Isotope Committee Meeting, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M.

SATURDAY, December 11th:

Council Meeting, Oklahoma State Medical Association, The Skirvin, Oklahoma City, 7:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, December 12th:

House of Delegates Interim Meeting, Oklahoma State Medical Association, The Skirvin, Oklahoma City, 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, December 13th:

Annual Business Meeting and Election of Officers, Tulsa County Medical Society, Blue Cross-Blue Shield Building, 1215 South Boulder, 8:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, December 14th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

Postgraduate Study Course, Hillcrest Medical Center, 5:30 P.M. Subject: "The Role of the Kidney in Heart Disease." Speaker, Dr. William S. Jacobs.

WEDNESDAY, December 15th:

St. John's Isotope Clinic, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M.

DECEMBER MEDICAL CALENDAR

THURSDAY, December 16th:

Medical Postgraduate Conference, University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, Oklahoma City, Room 220, 7:30 P.M. Subject: "Congenital Heart Disease." Speakers: Dr. L. L. Conrad, Dr. John M. Carey, Dr. Simon Dolin, and Dr. Henry B. Strenge.

Interns and Residents Lecture, St. John's Hospital, 12:00 Noon. Subject:

"Problems Common to Dermatology." Speaker, Dr. A. T. Kornblee.

FRIDAY, December 17th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M. St. John's Isotope Committee Meeting, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M. Copy deadline for the January issue of The Bulletin.

MONDAY, December 20th:

St. John's Hospital, Clinical Pathological Conference, 7:15 P.M. St. John's Hospital Staff Meeting, 8:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, December 21st:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M. Medical Assistants Society, Annual Christmas Party, Alvin Hotel, 6:30 P.M. Postgraduate Study Course, Hillcrest Medical Center, 5:30 P.M. Subject: "Coronary Artery Disease." Speaker, Dr. Safety R. First.

WEDNESDAY, December 22nd:

St. John's Isotope Clinic, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M. Section Meeting on Medicine, Hillcrest Medical Center. Dinner 5:45 P.M., followed by Grand Rounds.

THURSDAY, December 23rd:

Interns and Residents Lecture, St. John's Hospital, 12:00 Noon. Subject: "Complaints Common to Pregnancy, and Toxemia of Pregnancy." Speaker Dr. E. O. Johnson.

Postgraduate Surgical Course, Surgical Technique, Pre and Post Operative Care, Hillcrest Medical Center, 12:30 P.M. Speaker, Dr. Martin Leibovitz.

FRIDAY, December 24th:

The Executive Offices and Library of the Tulsa County Medical Society will be closed in observance of the Christmas holidays until Monday, December 27, 1954. St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M. St. John's Isotope Committee Meeting, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M.

SATURDAY, December 25th:

Merry Christmas!

TUESDAY, December 28th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.
Section Meeting of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Hillcrest Medical Center.
Postgraduate Study Course, Hillcrest Medical Center, 5:30 P.M. Subject:
"Office Treatment of Acute Pulmonary Disease." Speaker, Dr. Craig S. Jones.

WEDNESDAY, December 29th:

St. John's Isotope Clinic, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M.

THURSDAY, December 30th:

Postgraduate Surgical Course, Surgical Technique, Pre and Post Operative Care, Hillcrest Medical Center, 12:30 P.M. Speaker, Dr. Martin Leibovitz.

Interns and Residents Lecture, St. John's Hospital, 12:00 Noon. Subject: "Office Treatment of Acute Pulmonary Disease." Speaker, Dr. Craig S. Jones.

FRIDAY, December 31st:

St. John's Isotope Committee Meeting, St. John's Hospital, 8:30 A.M. St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M.

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HUGE FEDERAL BUDGET SET FOR MEDICAL EXPENDITURES

The federal government will spend an estimated \$2,141,681,661.00 for its health, medical and related activities in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, a budget study recently conducted by the American Medical Association indicates.

The expenditures range from construction of multi-million dollar hospitals to maintenance of clinics and are spread among a score of departments, independent agencies, and commissions of the federal government.

The total represents eight per cent more than the \$1,775,882,000.00 budgeted for the same purposes last year. The increase does not include that part—70 per cent—of the Defense medical budget increase that the government estimates is chargeable to operating and construction costs, items not available last year under the accounting procedure then in use.

The expenditures for the current fiscal year are equivalent to ten per cent of the \$22,000,000.00 that represents the entire United States budget, exclusive of defense costs.

The estimated budget is approximately one-sixth of all the money spent in any way for medical and health items in this country annually, including the cost of drugs, dental care, pharmaceutical items, and drug store sundries. (The United States Department of Commerce estimates the total U. S. health bill at \$12,000,000,000 annually).

The figure of \$2,141,681,661 does not include any supplemental appropriations which may be made by the Congress between now and the end of fiscal year. These anticipated appropriations may total several million dollars.

The biggest single agency in terms of medical expenditures is, of course, the Department of Defense, which seeks \$845,487,500 for medical costs in the Armed Forces. The Veterans Administration seeks a slight increase to \$748,738,563. The bulk of this amount will go for in-patient care with a whopping \$47,000,000 earmarked for construction of new VA hospitals and addi-

tions to present units. The Department of Health, Education and Welfare seeks \$395,754,000 (an increase of fifty million dollars over 1953), a sizeable amount of which will go for new hospital construction under the Hill-Burton Bill.

A complete breakdown of the federal medical expenses is available in the Executive Offices of the Tulsa County Medi-

cal Society.

DR. LUCIEN M. PASCUCCI and DR. EMIL M. CHILDERS conducted the Mobile Cancer Detection Clinic held at Nowata, Oklahoma, on November 4th. In the evening they appeared before the Washington-Nowata County Medical Society for a discussion of the subject, "The Cause of Bleeding from the Uterus."

DR. RURIC N. SMITH is on a lengthy vacation in Hawaii, Japan, and the Far East. He expects to return about Feb-

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DR. JOHN E. McDONALD was guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Medical Assistants Society on November 16, 1954.

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Another popular television series, the dramatic "Medic" programs, may be seen soon in the Tulsa area. Local TV officials report efforts are being made to insure its telecasting here early next year.

AMA OFFICIAL SAYS DOCTOR BENEFITS BY MEDICAL NEWS

The tremendous increase in the amount of medical science news appearing in newspapers and magazines has created a greater demand for the doctor's services, John L. Bach, Director of Press Relations of the American Medical Association, Chicago, Illinois, told the Annual Press Dinner of the Tulsa County Medical Society last October 27th.

Speaking before representatives of Tulsa newspapers, radio and television press services, Mr. Bach said the public's ever increasing appetite for medical news was due to the two main urges of the human mind—"the urge to live and the urge to know."

"People are not only interested in learning everything they can which may help to prolong life," the AMA official noted, "but they want to live in the best of health possible."

Mr. Bach, a former Associated Press science writer, expressed the view that despite some public criticism the doctors generally have "the best public relations of any group because every move the doctor makes affects or involves the public."

In addition to press representatives, the dinner was attended by officials of the Oklahoma State Press Association, the Oklahoma State Medical Association, and the following Tulsa doctors: Dr. Wilkie D. Hoover, Dr. Frank J. Nelson, Dr. E. N. Lubin, Dr. Lowell L. Stokes, Dr. Walter B. Sanger, Dr. J. D. Shipp, Dr. R. M. Wadsworth, Dr. John G. Matt, and Dr. G. R. Russell. The event is held each year, and this year's dinner was at the Tulsa Club.

DR. J. E. WALLACE is a patient at the United States Veterans Administration Hospital at Muskogee, Oklahoma.

DR. R. M. SHEPARD attended the annual meeting of the Southern College of American Chest Physicians at St. Louis, Missouri, November 8-10, 1954.

In attendance at the annual meeting of the Oklahoma City Clinical Society, October 25-28, were DR. ROBERT E. DILLMAN, DR. LOGAN A. SPANN, DR. WILKIE D. HOOVER, DR. MARY EDNA SIPPEL, DR. WILLIAM R. TURNBOW, DR. HARLAN THOMAS, DR. E. W. REYNOLDS, JR., DR. JOSEPH SALAMY, DR. R. K. GODDARD, JR., DR. WALTER E. BROWN and DR. MARSHALL O. HART.

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Editorial

NOT AS A STRANGER

For several months the best selling fiction has been topped by Morton Thompson's "Not As A Stranger", a 950-page excursion into the life and loves of an idealistic young doctor. Despite some occasional uneven passages, the book is of considerable merit for the literary talents of its author, since deceased. As a picture of the medical profession, it is one of the most vicious and irresponsible attacks imaginable.

Author Thompson wrote with a vitriolic and cynical pen, his sentences oozing with what must have been a deep-seated hatred for all things medical. At times he seems to be gifted with the same sort of talents displayed by Hitler's propagandists; the result is much the same—a public duped into suspicion and distrust by the methodically sown seeds of hatred.

The author would have his reader believe, for instance:

That doctors place their elderly bedridden patients in unheated rooms and coverless beds so that they may contract pneumonia and die—a simple expedient of relieving overcrowding at the hospital.

That doctors deliberately permit hopelessly ill patients to die by neglecting to tie off "bleeders" during surgical operations.

That specialists are so unwilling to do charity cases that they rifle the wallets of referring doctors as a means of securing payment.

That doctors grow panicky during surgery and collapse in tears, leaving the patient to bleed to death.

All of the old slanders are repeated in "Not As A Stranger"—doctors think only of money, doctors limit medical schools enrollment to keep competition down, doctors take rebates on prescriptions, doctors are sadistic. To sharpen his hatred, Thompson accuses the profession of antisemiticism, and to spice his viciousness pictures hospitals as just one long sex

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It is unfortunate that Author Thompson could not have used his promising talents to better use. If he wrote "Not As A Stranger" to sell in volume, he has achieved his objective; if he wrote it to relieve his spleen of an obsession about the profession, he has succeeded in some measure. If he wrote it in hopes of producing a literary work of enduring quality, he has failed; like Mr. Hitler's propaganda, it too will die as quickly.

Mr. Thompson leaves a poor and un-

worthy legacy.

DR. WILLIAM C. ALSTON, JR. has been named to membership on the Insurance Committee and DR. ROBERT G. TOMPKINS to the Library Committee. The appointments were made in line with a new policy of the Tulsa County Medical Society in permitting new members to select a committee of their choice for one year of service.

In attendance at the Annual Meeting of the American College of Surgeons in Atlantic City, New Jersey, November 15-19, 1954, were DR. BERGET H. BLOCKSOM and DR. JOHN E. McDONALD.

DR. C. E. CALHOUN has returned from a lengthy vacation in Canada and the New England states. He was five miles from Chesapeake Bay when Hurricane Hazel came along but fortunately suffered no injury or damage.

Appearing as speakers for the Central High School Pre-Med Club last month were DR. ROBERT L. IMLER, JR., DR. VANCE LUCAS, DR. MILFORD S. UNGERMAN, and DR. ROBERT G. TOMPKINS.

Its a girl for DR. and MRS. JAMES W. KELLEY, born October 20th.

DR. WALTER H. CALHOUN has been a patient at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

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Other	35	14	40.0%
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Replacement ratios continue to be unsatisfactory at both of Tulsa's major hospitals, prompting a need for Tulsa doctors to more actively encourage the replacement of blood by recipient patients and their families and friends.

Appearing on the program of the Annual Meeting of the Oklahoma Society of X-Ray Technicians were DR. DAVE B. LHEVINE, who discussed "Medical Uses of Radioactive Isotopes," and DR. CEYLON S. LEWIS, JR., who spoke on "Heart Catheterization." The sessions were held October 9-10 at Tulsa.

In attendance at the Frisco Railway Surgeons Conference in Pennsacola, Florida, last month were DR. HUGH PERRY, DR. HUGH J. EVANS, and DR. PAUL N. ATKINS, JR.

In attendance at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Medical Association in St. Louis, Missouri, November 8-11, were DR. W. ALBERT COOK, DR. HUGH J. EVANS, DR. W. A. SHOWMAN, DR. R. M. SHEPARD, and DR. FRED E. WOODSON.

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The following physicians were elected to membership in the Tulsa County Medical Society at the regular meeting of Monday, November 11, 1954:

Douglas E. Wilson, M.D., 3535 North 71st Avenue East, Tulsa. Medical De-

gree, University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, Class of 1947. Interned Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1947-48. Resident in General Surgery, St. John's Hospital, Tulsa, 1948-49. Resident in Orthopedic



Surgery, Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1950-52. In

military service, United States Army Medical Corps, 1952-54, separated with rank of Captain. Formerly Chief of Orthopedic Section, Ryukyus Army Hospital, Okinawa. Specialty, Orthopedic Surgery. Recommended by Dr. Walter F. Sethney and Dr. Marion K. Ledbetter. By transfer from the Indianapolis Medical Society (Indiana).

J. Richard Rhine, M.D. Turley, Oklahoma. Medical Degree, University of

Oklahoma School of Medicine, Class of 1953. Interned Hill-crest Medical Center, Tulsa, 1953-54. Military service, 1944-46, United States Army Medical Corps. General Practice. Recommended by Dr. Mason R. Lyons and Dr. Samuel J. Bradfield.



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Theodore E. Dillman, M.D. 4929 South Boston, Tulsa. Medical Degree, University of Oklahoma School of Medicine,

Class of 1946. Interned U. S. Naval Hospitals, Seattle and Bremerton, Washington, 1946-47. In military service, United States Navy Medical Corps, 1947-49, discharged with the rank of Lieutenant (Junior Grade). Resident in



General Surgery, Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee, 1949-52. Preceptee in Surgery, Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Vancouver, Washington, 1952-54. Specialty, General Surgery. Office address not determined. Recommended by Dr. Robert E. Dillman and Dr. Walter B. Sanger.

The following physicians was elected to membership at the regular meeting of Monday, October 8, 1954:

Charles A. Cashman, M.D. 6620 East King Street, Tulsa. Medical Degree, Uni-

versity of Tennessee College of Medicine, Class of 1945. Interned Roxborough Memorial Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1945-46. In military service, Army Medical Corps, 1946 - 48, 1951 - 54, discharged with rank of Major. Resident



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