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State Convention May 1-2-3

Oklahoma City will be host to Oklahoma State Medical Association; Special Clinics and Outstanding Speakers will be high spots in 1939 meeting.

By L. J. Starry, M.D., *General Committee Chairman*

The Annual Meeting of the Oklahoma State Medical Association will convene in Oklahoma City, May 1st, 2d, and 3d, with headquarters at the Skirvin Hotel. Every effort is being made by the local committees to make this Annual Meeting the finest that has been held in many years. Indications point to the largest attendance ever to attend an Annual Meeting. We are expecting you and will make any reservations you might wish—from a golf partner to minding the family heir. The Auxiliary hopes you will bring your wife. There has never been a finer opportunity present itself to take advantage of an unrivaled scientific program, and at the same time, have a vacation.

While there is to be entertainment for all, the Committee has not been unmindful of the desires of the doctors over the state to have more scientific work for those who wish to see and hear about the latest advances in the field of medicine and surgery. In accordance with this wish, the following program has been outlined, and we believe you will agree that it will be worth your time to attend.

Monday will be devoted to surgical clinics in the morning at the various hospitals with Dr. Kelly West in charge, and the afternoon will be Medical

Clinics conducted by Dr. Fred R. Hood. These clinics will start at nine o'clock, so come early and attend them all. The Oklahoma County doctors invite you. They are going to give you what you want, and nothing is being left undone to make these clinics the finest possible. Following this interesting program on Tuesday will be the scientific sections and the guest speakers. The Association is presenting this year as guest speakers, Dr. Wayne Babcock, of Philadelphia, Dr. J. F. Hamilton, Memphis, Dr. Austin Hayden, Chicago, and Dr. Edward N. Smith, Instructor in Obstetrics from the Association's Post-Graduate Committee. The Committee in charge believes you will admit these men are leaders in their fields. Wednesday, the last day, will be a continuance of the scientific sections and discussions by the guest speakers. It is three days of post-graduate work that costs you nothing, and the Committee hopes you will take advantage of this opportunity. The House of Delegates will meet Monday evening and Tuesday morning.

While it has been impossible to give you the complete program, as it will appear in the April issue of your Journal, the Committee does hope you realize the benefits to be had, and the importance

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Would Legalize "Cooperatives"

Measure introduced in state legislature would wreck present regulation of the Medical Profession and destroy balance of power on Board of Medical Examiners.

House Bill 519, which among other things legalizes the formation of cooperative hospitals in Oklahoma by every organization wishing to go into medical practice, is the most dangerous threat which the medical profession has faced in years. If this bill is passed, part 7 of section 2 will allow any farm or labor union or church or lodge charitable organization to operate cooperative hospitals, dispense the hospital and medical services and to send out high-powered salesmen or agents or organizers to drum up business for their hospital groups.

This bill has gone to the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation and is still in that Committee. It is very important that every doctor in Oklahoma take time to inform his senator and representatives as to the vicious points in this proposed amendments to the basic science law. The proposed amendments follow:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 4625, 4646, 4652, and 4656, OKLAHOMA STATUTES 1931 AS AMENDED BY ARTICLE 7 CHAPTER 24, SESSION LAWS OF OKLAHOMA 1935; PROVIDING FOR THE QUALIFICATIONS AND APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS; PRESCRIBING GROUNDS AND PROCEDURE TO SUSPEND OR REVOKE THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE OF ANY PHYSICIAN OR SURGEON; DEFINING "UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT;" PROVIDING FOR APPEALS; REPEALING ALL ACTS IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND MAKING THE PARTS OF THIS ACT SEVERABLE, AND, IF ANY PART HEREOF IS DECLARED BY A FINAL JUDICIAL DECISION TO BE INVALID, OTHER PARTS HEREOF SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. Section 4625, Oklahoma Statutes 1931, is hereby amended to read as follows: SECTION 4625. Within thirty (30) days after the passage of this Act, the members of the Board of Medical Examiners shall be appointed by the Governor from the schools of practice commonly known as the Regular, the Electric and the Homeopathic schools, who shall serve for a period of four (4) years or until their successors are appointed and qualified; provided that at no time shall there be a majority of one school represented on said Board; provided further, that no mem-

ber shall be a stockholder in or member of the faculty or board of trustees of any medical college or school.

SECTION 2. Section 4646, Oklahoma Statutes, 1931, is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 4646. The State Board of Medical Examiners may suspend or revoke the license or certificate of any physician or surgeon holding license or certificate to practice in the State of Oklahoma for unprofessional conduct, but on suspension or revocation shall be made until such licensee be cited to appear for hearing; Provided that the License or Certificate of a physician or surgeon shall not be suspended or revoked on account of unprofessional conduct on the part of such physician or surgeon, until a hearing be had before the Board of Medical Examiners of the state of Oklahoma. No such citation shall be issued except upon sworn complaint filed with the Secretary of said Board, charging the said licensee with having been guilty of unprofessional conduct and setting forth the particular act or acts alleged to constitute such unprofessional conduct. Upon the filing of such complaint, such citation must forthwith be issued by the Secretary of the Board over his signature, and seal of the Board, setting forth the complaint of said unprofessional conduct, and giving due notice of the time and place of the hearing thereof by the Board of Medical Examiners. The said citation shall be made returnable at the next regular meeting of the Board occurring at least thirty (30) days next after the service of said citation. The accused shall file his written answer thereto under oath with the Secretary of said Board within twenty (20) days, after the service upon of said citation and unless such answer be filed as herein set forth, the accused shall be considered in default and his license or certificate suspended or revoked if the charges be deemed sufficient by the Board; provided that the Secretary of the Board may extend the time of answer upon satisfactory showing that the defendant is, for reasonable cause, unable to make answer within the said twenty (20) days, but in no case shall the time be extended beyond the date of the next regular meeting of the Board, unless continuance thereof be granted by the Board.

SECTION 3. Section 4652, Oklahoma Statutes, 1931, is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 4652. The words "unprofessional conduct" as used in this Act hereby are declared to mean: First: Procuring, aiding or abetting a criminal operation or abortion. Second: Advertising in any manner, either in his own name or under the name of another person, firm, association or corporation, in any newspaper, pamphlet, circular or other written or printed paper or document, the treatment of or the curing of venereal diseases, or the private diseases peculiar to men and women, or the advertising or holding himself out to the public in any manner as a specialist in the diseases of the sexual organs or diseases caused by sexual weakness, self-abuse or excessive indulgence, or in any disease of like nature produced by like causes, or the restoration of lost manhood, or the advertising of any medicine or any means whatsoever, whereby the monthly periods of women can be restored or regulated or the menses be re-established, if sup-

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Society Backs Venereal Clinic

Dr. David V. Hudson presents State Health Department invitation for Tulsa Medical Society to sponsor free clinic for indigent patients; will start in two weeks.

A venereal disease clinic for Tulsa County indigents will be in operation within two weeks, it was indicated following action by the Tulsa County Medical Society in approving a plan presented by the state health department at the last regular society meeting.

The plan, calling for co-operative effort by the state department and the county medical society, was proposed by Dr. David V. Hudson, head of venereal disease clinic activities for the state in eastern Oklahoma. It was voted unanimously, in line with similar action by the society's board of trustees.

Dr. A. Ray Wiley, president of the medical society, will name a clinic committee to make arrangements for space and equipment for the clinic, name a staff and begin operations.

The state will provide a nurse, medicine and part of the equipment for the clinic; the medical society will provide the space and doctors.

The clinic probably will be located either at the city health office at 521 North Boulder or in the Community Fund Building, Sixth and Cheyenne, it was believed. The city already has offered space to the project. The clinic is expected to operate two days each week, one day to be devoted to white persons, the other to Negroes. A rotating staff will be used, doctors serving probably for three months at a stretch. Based on operation of similar clinics elsewhere, the establishment here is expected to care for about 300 persons weekly.

The clinic will replace present venereal treatment activities of the city and county health departments.

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TULSA COOPERATIVE CLINIC

The Oklahoma State Health Department is establishing in cooperation with the Tulsa County Medical Society a

venereal disease clinic for indigent persons. This clinic will be located in Tulsa and will take care of the diagnosis and treatment of syphilis and the diagnosis of other venereal diseases. Funds are not available at the present time for the treatment of gonorrhea.

Similar clinics have been set up in other counties. The State Health Department furnishes syringes and needles, an electric hot plate, enamel pans for sterilization, bismuth, arsenicals, and the services of a Health Department nurse to assist in the clinic. The Health Department guarantees adequate drugs for the treatment of 125 patients.

The Medical Society appoints a venereal disease control committee which selects the clinician, arranges for space in which to hold the clinic and takes care of other details.

Patients are not admitted for treatment until they present reference slip from a physician, stating that they are unable to pay for private services.

Physicians who desire to treat indigent patients in their offices will receive antiluetic drugs from the Health Department as in the past.

The Tulsa County Medical Society has approved the cooperative clinic plan and a Venereal Disease Control committee is being selected by the President. Announcement of the location and time for the clinic will be announced when the committee completes the arrangements.

The purpose of the Health Department in establishing these clinics is to provide permanent, coordinated clinics where the adequate, modern treatment of syphilis will be available to indigent persons.

G. F. Mathews, M. D.
Commissioner of Health
Oklahoma State Health
Department.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

I received a letter today from the Legislative Committee, a copy of which, you no doubt also received. However, I want to quote from this letter and urge you to do your part in urging our legislators to kill House Bill 519. The letter, in part, reads:

"Enclosed you will find a copy of House Bill 519. Read it over very carefully and determine to your own satisfaction the extent to which the law-makers would rule your profession. Note that they intend to change the Medical Board of Medical Examiners to include only one member from each of the schools known as Regular, Eclectic and Homeopathic."

"Do you realize that there is not, today, a single school teaching the theory of Eclectics; the last one being in Cincinnati, and not having accepted a student in two years. That today there is not a single school that teaches the theory of Homeopathy exclusively, and that for over ten years there has not been a single applicant for a license to practice medicine in the State of Oklahoma come from any of the schools teaching these theories."

"Consider the fact that this bill would, by legislation, set up standards of what is ethical practice, forever taking from you the right to decide who your professional brother may be. *Do you realize that the seventh part of Section 2 will allow to be put in operation cooperative hospitals for every organization that wishes to organize for what will be termed non-profit. That high powered agents or salesmen will be employed to bring in practice to these hospitals regardless of the qualifications of the doctors on the staff or the equipment and regulation of the hospital by the American Hospital Association.*"

"Under this bill, there is no way in which the standards of the healing arts can be raised. The Legislative Committee is depending upon you to see that the public in your community is told of these—the true facts. Will you do your part?"

"This is the most vital issue to ever confront the profession, and the Legislative Committee must have 100 per cent support from every member. Will you do your part?"

The letter closes, as you will note with the question, "Will you do your part?" In my opinion your part should be not only to write a letter to each of the representatives, but every doctor should at least have two of their friends, who are laymen, to write their representatives a letter.

Personally, I am writing many of my friends, sending self-addressed envelopes and letters to our representatives, asking my friends to plead with their representatives to kill this bill. I urge that every member of the Society do likewise.



President

Medical Calendar

MONDAY, April 3rd:

Morningside Hospital Staff Meeting.

TUESDAY, April 4:

Mercy Hospital Staff Meeting.

WEDNESDAY, April 5:

Tulsa General Hospital Staff Meeting.

Radio Broadcast at 3:30 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. R. M. Shepard.

MONDAY, April 10:

Tulsa County Medical Society Meeting, Mayo Hotel, Junior Ballroom, 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, April 11:

Meeting of the District No. Two of the Oklahoma State Nurses Association 1202 Medical Arts Bldg., 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 12:

Radio Broadcast at 3:30 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. J. L. Miner.

MONDAY, April 17:

St. Johns Hospital Staff Meeting.

TUESDAY, April 18:

Office Assistants Meeting, Michaelis Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 19:

Radio Broadcast at 3:30 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. A. L. Walters.

MONDAY, April 24:

Tulsa County Medical Society Meeting, Mayo Hotel, Junior Ballroom, 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 26:

Radio Broadcast at 3:30 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. A. H. Ungerman.

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ATTEND THE CONVENTION

The annual Oklahoma State Medical Association convention in Oklahoma City May 1-2-3 is just a month away. It is very important that you begin to make your plans to attend this annual meeting.

This year the business and scientific meetings will be more important and more interesting than ever before. Special Clinics will feature the discussion in the Scientific Group meetings. The Committee members in Oklahoma City are preparing very valuable clinic cases which will be discussed in the various hospitals and the papers presented will be graphically emphasized and illustrated with the clinical cases.

Almost 150 members of the Tulsa County Medical Society attended the last year's meeting at Muskogee. At least this number should attend the Oklahoma City meetings.

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M.C.B. A YEAR OLD

The Medical Credit Bureau of the Tulsa County Medical Society is one year old this month. And what a year. A look at the record reveals; 3,865 accounts in the file for collection; 750 accounts paid in full; 510 accounts paying each month; \$83,000 in accounts for

collection from which the probable salvage will run as high as \$38,000; and actual collections of \$12,150.60.

At the close of the first year's business, there were 113 doctors using the collection bureau. Since the figures for the year were closed an additional 14 doctors have sent accounts in for collection. This is not a bad record in itself, however, there are approximately 175 members of the Society who could be using the department to collect delinquent accounts.

There is every reason why members of the Society should be using this collection department. The record of collections is extremely high. The methods used do not create bitter feeling between the doctor and the patient. The department can get "hard" when necessary. The results show that the methods are effective. The rates are considerably below the cost of the commercial collection agencies. You get more out of your accounts.

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STATE LEGISLATION

Right here is a good place to say a word about the effective way in which the state organization is keeping abreast of medical legislation which has been and is being offered in the Oklahoma House of Representatives during the present session of the legislature.

Dr. Finis W. Ewing and the members of his committee together with Richard Graham, State Executive Secretary, are doing a fine job. There is never a bill introduced that this group does not track it down; interview the authors; check the members of the committee to which the bill is referred; notify the members of the Oklahoma State Medical Association; and lay definite plans for educating the members of the legislature and combatting the measure itself before it ever reaches the floor of the house or senate.

This legislative work is being done in a very commendable manner. There is no talk of lobbyists; no hint of undue influence; and no reflection on the organization or the profession.

Nurses Registry Expands

Do you need a skilled, trained nurse who can ease your pains and give expert bedside care—and between times read you a book, play a musical instrument, or entertain the youngsters?

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If such a nurse is in northeast Oklahoma, the registry can put a finger on her through their well-organized and carefully recorded card index system.

The files cover the nurses' educational background, experience, personal appearance, interests and unusual qualities.

In fact, the Tulsa Nurses registry is the only exchange in Oklahoma which meets the high standards and is recognized by the American Nurses association. It is a professional, co-operative project and is strictly noncommercial.

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The registry also operates the Tulsa Medical exchange, a physicians' answering service through which any member of the Medical society may be located if unavailable immediately at his office or home.

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Everybody's on their toes to keep up with the calls which pour into the new headquarters of the Nurses Official Registry in the Medical Arts building. A telephone ring means some action for Maude Jernigan, front, registry night operator; Beulah N. Beil, middle, chief registrar; and Eleanor Rambo, above, executive secretary of the district 2 nurses. A wide assortment of nurses are listed on the rolls. Nursing needs may be filled for almost any spot in northeastern Oklahoma.

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Constitution and By-Laws

of the

Tulsa County Medical Society

Adopted March 31, 1939

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ARTICLE I. Name and Title

The name and title of this Society shall be the Tulsa County Medical Society.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

The purpose of this Society shall be: To unite all members of the profession of this County into a unified group; to exert its influence constantly toward the betterment of the scientific, economic and social condition of every physician within its jurisdiction; to foster the highest ethical practice among members; and to join with other County medical societies of this state to form and maintain the Oklahoma State Medical Association, and through it join with other states to form and maintain the American Medical Association.

ARTICLE III. Powers and Duties

Section 1. This Society shall have general direction of the professional affairs of the Medical Profession of the County.

Section 2. This Society shall endeavor to instill into its members the thought that the physician should be a leader in his community, in character, in learning, in dignified and manly bearing, and in courteous and open treatment of his brother physician, to the end that the profession may occupy that place in its own and the public estimation to which it is entitled.

Section 3. This Society shall have the power to drop from membership automatically any member who is convicted of a felony.

Section 4. Agreements and schedules of fees shall not be made by this Society, but at least one meeting during the year shall be set apart for a discussion of the business affairs of the profession of the County, with the view of adopting the best methods for the guidance of all.

Section 5. This Society shall have authority to employ an Executive Secretary who shall be recommended by the Board of Trustees and ratified by the Society in regular session. A two-thirds vote of all the members present and voting shall be required for ratification. The Executive Secretary shall perform that service or services that may be requested or directed by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE IV. Eligibility

Every white, legally registered, regular physician, according to the laws of the State of Oklahoma, who is a citizen of the United States, and practicing in Tulsa County who is of good moral and professional standing, and who does not support or practice or claim to practice any exclusive or sectarian system or medicine, shall be eligible for active membership in accordance with the By-Laws of this organization.

Persons whom the Society deems worthy of special honor because of long or special activity in the interest of medicine or this Society, may be eligible for Honorary membership in accordance with the By-Laws of this organization.

Persons engaged in the study of medicine, who are not entitled to practice medicine, may be eligible for Intern Membership in accordance with the By-Laws of this organization.

The Society itself shall within the Constitution and By-Laws be the sole and only judge of the qualifications and eligibility of its membership.

ARTICLE V. Officers

Section 1. The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Board of Trustees, Board of Censors, Delegates and Alternates to the Oklahoma State Medical Association, and shall be elected and hold office as provided in the By-Laws of this organization.

Section 2. If any vacancy shall occur in any office except the Presidency, an election shall be held at the next regular meeting of this Society.

ARTICLE VI. Funds and Expenses

The dues of the Oklahoma State Medical Association shall be collected by the Secretary-Treasurer of this Society and shall be included in the dues as provided in the By-Laws of this organization.

Funds for meeting the expenses of this Society shall be raised by the annual dues, voluntary contributions, special assessments and receipts from such incidental agency bureau or bureaus as the Society may promote for the general material and professional betterment of its membership as provided in the By-Laws.

Funds may be appropriated by the Board of Trustees as provided in the By-Laws for such purposes as will promote the general welfare of the Society and the profession generally. The By-Laws shall provide for the expenditures for all necessary and proper expenses of the Society.

The fiscal year of this Society shall be from January 1st to December 31st inclusive.

ARTICLE VII. Charter and Incorporation

The Tulsa County Medical Society, Inc., shall continue to function under the existing charter issued by the Oklahoma State Medical Association. Said Charter shall be kept by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Society as its sole custodian.

The Society shall continue to have in force the Charter issued to it by the State of Oklahoma identifying it as a distinct private corporation doing business under the laws of the State of Oklahoma. This Charter shall also be kept by the Secretary.

ARTICLE VIII. By-Laws

This Society shall have the power or powers to adopt By-Laws not in conflict with this Constitution nor the State Constitution nor the Constitution of the American Medical Association in its general government in carrying into effect the provisions of this Constitution.

ARTICLE IX. Amendments

This Society may amend any article of this Constitution by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting, provided: (1) That such amendment shall have been read in open session at the first regular meeting prior to the time of action; and provided (2) That a copy of such amendment shall have been sent by mail or otherwise delivered to each member at least five days in advance of the meeting at which action is to be taken, together with a notice that a vote is to be taken at the time and place specified, on the adoption of such amendment.

BY-LAWS OF THE

TULSA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

CHAPTER I. Membership

The membership shall be composed of the following:
1. Active; 2. Associate; 3. Honorary; 4. **Interne.**

Section 1. A candidate for membership must be a citizen of the United States. He or she shall make application in writing and shall state age, college and date of graduation, the place in which he or she has practiced, and the date of registration in this state and other information stipulated on the application blank provided by the Oklahoma State Medical Association. This application must be accompanied by the admission fee and must be endorsed by two members of this Society. It shall be read in open meeting and then referred to the Board of Censors, who shall inquire into the professional and moral standing of the applicant, assure themselves that he or she is duly registered according to the Laws of the State, and report at the next regular meeting of this Society. Two-thirds of the votes of members present and voting shall be necessary to elect. The application shall be returned to the Secretary-Treasurer, who will file it for future reference. In the event that after due investigation the unanimous or majority vote of the Board of Censors is against the applicant, the Chairman of the Board of Censors shall notify the endorsing members who shall have the privilege of either withdrawing their endorsement and thereby causing the withdrawal of the application or of insisting upon a vote of the Society. The Board of Censors shall with due promptness make a full and written report to be read in a regular meeting of the Society. An applicant who has not been recommended by the Board of Censors may be elected to membership by three-fourths of the votes of the members present and voting. Re-application of a rejected candidate or a candidate whose application has been withdrawn shall not be received within six months after such rejection.

Section 2. Association Members. An applicant who has actively practiced medicine for less than six months shall, if elected to membership, be on probation for a period of six months, at which time he shall again be presented to the Society for final consideration. An Associate Member automatically becomes an active member on being voted into the Society at the termination of his waiting period of six months, during which six months the Associate Member shall enjoy all the privileges of the Society except that of ballot.

Section 3. A physician, accompanying his application with a transfer card from another component county medical society of this or any other state within sixty (60) days of the issuance of said card, shall be admitted without fee on a majority vote of the members present, and without the application being referred to the Board of Censors. Such application may be acted on at the meeting at which it is presented on the vote of three-fourths of the members present, otherwise it shall lie over until the next regular meeting. No annual dues for the current year shall be charged against such members, provided the same have been paid to the Society from which the applicant comes.

Section 4. Internship. Internship membership shall be limited to those graduates of medicine who are serving as full-time internes or residents in any recognized hospital in Tulsa County. This membership shall expire automatically upon the completion of internship at which time application for other membership may be made. No dues shall be charged interne members. Internship members shall not have right of ballot.

Section 5. Honorary Membership. Any member of the Tulsa County Medical Society may be considered for Honorary Membership on the following conditions:

(1) Members retiring from active practice: (a) After having attained the age of sixty-five years or more; or (b) After having been a member of a medical society fifteen years or longer; or (c) After having been a member for less than fifteen years but forced to retire from active practice because of physical disability or ill health.

(2) Members or persons whom the Society deems to have rendered special or noteworthy service to medicine or to this Society. Any member may propose the name of any other member for Honorary Membership for any one of the above provisions to the Board of Trustees and such application must receive a majority vote of the Trustees before it shall be submitted to the next regular meeting of the Society at which time it must receive a majority of votes cast. Upon election the Secretary shall certify such Honorary member of the Oklahoma State Medical Association for approval and transmission to the American Medical Association.

Honorary members shall not be required to pay Society dues. Any name proposed must be with the permission of the person named.

Section 6. The privilege of voting and holding office shall be limited to active members so long as they conform to the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Society, including the payment of dues. Members who are under sentence of expulsion or suspension shall not be permitted to take part in any of the proceedings or be eligible to office until relieved of such sentence.

Section 7. Any active member in good standing who is free from all indebtedness to this Society, and against whom no charges are pending, wishing to withdraw, shall be granted a transfer card. This card (or letter) shall state the date the member associated himself with this Society, the date of issuance of the card, and shall be signed by the President and Secretary-Treasurer. It shall be accompanied with a copy of the application presented at the time the member joined this Society, for information to the Society to which the member desires to attach himself.

Section 8. Kindly efforts by the Committee of Medical Ethics in the interest of peace, conciliation or reformation, so far as possible and expedient, shall precede the filing of formal charges effecting the character or standing of a member, and the accused shall have opportunity to be heard in his own defense in all proceedings of this nature. He shall have the right of representation by any member or members of the Tulsa County Medical Society.

Section 9. The Committee on Ethics may on its own initiative and must upon a written and signed complaint of a member or members of the Society conduct an investigation into such matters called to their attention and must present a statement of their findings to the Board of Censors. A member who has been found guilty of criminal offense, or of any gross misconduct, either as a physician or citizen, or who violates any of the provisions of this Constitution or By-Laws, or the Code of Ethics of the American Medical Association, shall be liable to (1) Censure; (2) Suspension; or (3) Expulsion. The Board of Censors shall investigate the charges upon their merits, hearing all testimony relating to the case by what means they determine best. The accused shall be given ample opportunity to present his evidence to the Board of Censors in rebuttal, but must do so within two weeks after being so requested by the Board of Censors, but no action shall be taken by the Board of Censors until after two weeks have elapsed since the filing of the charges and notification of the accused. The accused and the accuser may be present at the investigation hearing in the Society. At the completion of its investigation, the Board of Censors shall make a comprehensive summary of its findings which shall be read to the Society by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, or Secretary, to the Society. The accused shall be given the opportunity to be heard in his own defense. The Society shall then proceed to vote upon the guilt or innocence of the accused. All voting shall be by ballot, and no motion shall be necessary to initiate the voting. If a majority vote guilty, then the Society will vote on one of the types of punishment, i. e.; Censure, Suspension or Expulsion, to be determined by motion from the floor. Censure or Suspension shall require a majority vote and Expulsion a two-thirds vote of all members present and voting. If on any ballot a majority vote for Suspension, the vote shall then be taken to fix the term of such Suspension. If at any time the majority vote for Censure then the balloting shall cease and the accused be Censured in open Society by the President. If the Suspension be for a specified time, it shall date from the date such Suspension is voted. No action shall be taken by the Society until at least four weeks have elapsed since the filing of the charges. A member expelled cannot make application for membership until one year has expired following expulsion. A Suspended member automatically again becomes a member upon the expiration of his term of suspension.

Section 10. A member wishing to resign must present his resignation in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer. This shall be referred to the Board of Censors for appropriate action.

CHAPTER II. Officers

Section 1. The officers of the Society shall be elected at the last December meeting in each year. Nomina-

ions shall be made from the floor. The vote shall be by ballot and a majority of the votes of members present and voting shall elect. Members must attend fifty percent of the meetings of the current year to be eligible to hold office.

Section 2. The PRESIDENT shall preside at the meetings of the Society and the meetings of the Board of Trustees and perform such other duties as custom and parliamentary usage may require. He shall appoint all standing committees hereinafter provided for, which committees shall be approved by the Board of Trustees. He shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. The President shall fill any vacancies that may appear through departure, resignation, or death of any committee member for the unexpired term. He shall appoint any temporary or special committee as the occasion may require during his term of office.

Section 3. The VICE-PRESIDENT shall assist the President in the performance of his duties; shall preside in his absence and upon his death, resignation or removal from the County, shall succeed to the Presidency. He may represent the President, upon request, as an ex-officio member of any committee.

Section 4. The SECRETARY-TREASURER shall record the minutes of the meetings of the Society and Board of Trustees and receive and be custodian of all the records and property belonging to the Society, including its charters and seal. He shall collect all dues of members and other money due the Society. He shall keep a strict account of all funds of the Society which may come into his hands and a record of all property of the Society. He shall notify each member of the Society as to the time, place and program, via mail or otherwise of each meeting. He shall keep a list of the members of this Society in good standing, noting of each, his correct name, date and place of birth, address, place and date of graduation, and the date of the certificate entitling him to practice medicine in this state, and in a separate list, he shall note the same facts in regard to each legally qualified physician in this County not a member of this Society. It shall be his duty to send a copy of such lists, on blank forms furnished him for that purpose, to the Secretary of the State Association, together with the annual dues of each member of the Society, as provided in the Constitution of the State Association. In making such lists he shall endeavor to account for each physician who has moved into or out of the County during the year, stating when possible, both his present and past address. The Secretary-Treasurer, upon taking office, shall post bond in the amount of two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars, said bond to be paid for by this Society. The Secretary-Treasurer shall not be required to pay any dues other than state dues, while in office.

Section 6. THE BOARD OF DELEGATES shall attend and faithfully represent the membership of this Society and the profession of this County in the House of Delegates of the State Association and shall make a report of the proceedings of that body to the Society at the earliest opportunity. Eligibility for the House of Delegates shall be membership in the Society for five years. Failure to attend Fifty per cent of the meetings of the House of Delegates shall automatically end tenure of office. The length of membership in the House of Delegates shall be for five years, one-fifth of the number to be elected each year.

Section 5. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES shall consist of the President, Secretary-Treasurer, President-Elect and five other members, one elected each year to serve a term of five years, and shall be charged with the enforcement of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society; shall have charge of the business affairs of the Society; shall control all property and funds of the Society; shall authorize the purchase of supplies of the Society; shall provide a meeting place for all meetings and perform all other possible duties requested by the Society; shall have the power to recommend an Executive Secretary whose selection must meet with the approval of the Society as provided by the Constitution and By-Laws; shall employ and arrange salaries of officers and employees necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this organization; and shall conduct all other business activities the Society may deem proper. The Board of Trustees shall have the power to authorize expenditures of not more than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars during any one current month unless authorized by majority vote in regular session of the Society except for routine current

expenses. It shall be the duty of this Board of Trustees to make a report at the business meeting in December and from time to time as may be deemed expedient by itself or at the request of the President, relative to any phase of the work of which the Society should have general knowledge. It shall also perform any other duties as custom and parliamentary usage may require. The Board of Trustees shall keep minutes of its meetings, records of its achievements and work and same shall become part of the records of the Society and filed with its own records of meetings. For Trustees' meetings, a majority shall constitute a quorum. Any vacancy or vacancies occurring in the membership of this Board at any time shall be filled by election at the first regular business meeting of the Society following the vacancy. No member of the Society shall be eligible for election to this Board until he has been an active member of the Society for five years. The President-Elect of the Society shall be ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees. The minutes of all meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be prepared and filed as a permanent record and shall be subject on request to inspection and examination by any member of the Society, but no other.

Section 7. THE BOARD OF CENSORS shall be composed of three members and shall examine and report on the qualification of applicants for membership, subjecting each applicant to such examination as it may deem necessary. It shall investigate charges preferred against a member, and report its conclusions and recommendations to the Society. In case of temporary absence of a member of the Board, the President shall appoint some member to fill the vacancy. The senior member of the Board, in point of service, shall be Chairman of the Board. One member of the Board of Censors shall be elected each year to serve for three years.

CHAPTER III. Employees

Section 1. EMPLOYEES. Executive Secretary: The Board of Trustees, with approval of the Society as herein provided, shall have authority to employ a full-time lay secretary. It shall be the duty of the lay-secretary to acquaint himself thoroughly with all activities of the Medical Society so that he may more capably and diplomatically perform his various duties. He shall work with any and all committees, at their request. He shall attempt to create a feeling of good will toward the Medical profession as a whole and toward individual physicians where necessary. He shall attempt where feasible to prevent action at law against physicians, individually or collectively. He shall manage that business of the Society specifically designated as his duty by the Society in a business-like manner. His salary shall be set by action of the Board of Trustees but must be approved by two-thirds vote of members present and voting at a regular business meeting of the Society. Any contract for an executive secretary for more than twelve months must be approved by the Society. (b) The Board of Trustees shall have the power, with the approval of the Society, to employ other help as occasion arises. (c) The Board of Trustees shall employ an auditor who shall make a careful examination of all the finance pertaining to the Medical Society and he shall make his annual report at the regular business session during the month of January for the preceding year.

CHAPTER IV. The Principles of Medical Ethics

The principles of Medical Ethics of the American Medical Association shall govern this Society.

CHAPTER V. Dues and Expenses

Section 1. The annual dues of the Tulsa County Medical Society, including dues of the Oklahoma State Medical Society shall be set by action of the Board of Trustees and approved by the Society.

Section 2. Dues for the current year shall become due and payable January first of each year. Any member who shall fail to pay one-half of his annual dues by March first, shall be held as suspended without action on the part of the Society. A member suspended for non-payment of dues shall be restored to full membership on payment of all indebtedness. Members more than nine months in arrears shall be dropped from the roll of members and can only regain membership by making application as a new member.

Section 3. Voluntary contributions will always be accepted by this Society and be used in furtherance of whatever particular aspect or phase of medicine the donor may designate.

Section 4. Special assessments as provided by the Constitution may be made for the general welfare of the profession as may be warranted. Such assessments shall occupy the same relative status as dues and any member who becomes delinquent in the payment of special assessments shall be dealt with in the same manner provided for the non-payment or delinquency of membership dues. No assessment shall be levied, except upon written motion made in open meeting, stating the purpose for which such assessment is being made, and a copy of the same shall be sent to each member seven days before same is acted upon. A three-fourths vote of all the members present and voting shall be required to levy an assessment.

Section 5. Receipts from such incidental agency, bureau or agencies as this Society or the Board of Trustees may deem necessary, shall be formed to promote the general welfare of the Society.

CHAPTER VI. Meetings

Section 1. Regular meetings of this Society shall be held twice a month in the place designated by the Board of Trustees, at 8:00 P.M. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, except during the months of June, July and August. During the month of December but one meeting will be held.

Section 2. Twenty per cent of membership of the Society shall constitute a quorum for the dispatch of business of the Society.

Section 3. Special meetings for scientific purposes may be arranged by the Board of Trustees at any time for special programs recommended by the Program or other standing committee. No business of any kind, other than that pertaining to said scientific matter shall be in order.

Section 4. Special meetings shall be called by the President at any time upon the filed, written request of ten members for transacting business by giving written notice to each member at least five days prior to the date of said meeting. A call for a special meeting shall state the object of such meeting at which no business except that stated in the call shall be transacted. The President may call special meetings at any time for any other purpose.

CHAPTER VII. Rules

The deliberations of this Society shall be governed by parliamentary usage as contained in Robert's Rules of Order.

CHAPTER VIII. Order of Business

The order of Business shall be as follows:

1. Call to order by the President.
2. Reading of minutes of last meeting.
3. Introduction of new members and guests.
4. Scientific programs.
5. Unfinished business.
6. Committee reports.
7. New business.
8. Announcements.
9. Adjournment.

CHAPTER IX. Committees

Standing committees shall be composed of three members each, appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Trustees. Each committee shall have the power to recommend one or more sub-committees to give effect to the purposes of said committee, and the President, at his election, will appoint the members on such sub-committees. The membership of all regular committees shall be appointed for a period of three years and staggered, so one membership shall be replaced each year by recommendation of the President and approval of the Board of Trustees. Regular or special meetings of each committee shall be held at the call of the Chairman of the respective committee or the President. Specific problems shall be referred to that committee which should be best informed or prepared to deal with such specific problem as set out under Chapter X. Written reports of each committee meeting shall be kept and filed with the Secretary of the Tulsa County Medical Society. A complete yearly report of each committee shall be read in open meeting during the month of December of each year, and failure of a committee to render a satisfactory report shall be grounds for dismissal of the entire committee following which the Board of Trustees shall make

such recommendations for the replacement of members as they see fit. The books of all agencies of all committees of the Tulsa County Medical Society shall be available for inspection and examination by any member of the Society on request. Reports may not be removed from the Executive Offices.

CHAPTER X. Committees

The following standing committees, composed of three members each, together with any sub-committees the Chairman of each committee may desire, are hereby authorized.

1. Bulletin.
2. Cancer.
3. Civic Relations.
4. Clinic & Hospital.
5. Credit Bureau.
6. Physician's Exchange.
7. Endowment.
8. Entertainment.
9. Ethics.
10. Finance.
11. Golf.
12. Industrial & Insurance.
13. Legislation.
14. Library.
15. Maternal Health.
16. Medical Economics.
17. Pharmaceutical Relations.
18. Membership.
19. Membership Welfare.
20. Mental Health.
21. Milk.
22. Necrology & History.
23. Program.
24. Nurses Committee.
25. Public Health & Preventive Medicine.
26. Rural Affairs.
27. Tuberculosis.
28. Fraudulent Practices.
29. Public Relations and Publicity.
30. Hospital Committee.
31. Constitution and By-Laws.
32. Malpractice Insurance.

CHAPTER XI. Committee Duties

Section 1. The Bulletin Committee shall supervise the publication of the official organ of this Society.

Section 2. The Cancer Committee shall cooperate with the Cancer Society and see if we can lend any aid; cooperate with research clinical work being done in Tulsa.

Section 3. The Committee on Civic Relations shall be composed of three members and shall have a sub-committee composed of representatives of all civic clubs. It shall have general supervision over all matters relevant to those groups.

Section 4. The Clinic and Hospital committee shall work out proposals for a definite program of clinics or other measures to provide adequate medical attention for every person in Tulsa County.

Section 5. The Credit Bureau Committee shall have control over the maintenance and operation of a Medical Credit Bureau for the purpose of assisting physicians in the collection of past due accounts.

Section 6. The Physician's Telephone Exchange Committee shall consider all matters relative to operation of a Physicians Exchange to act as representative of this Society in matters involving operation of any exchange.

Section 7. The Endowment Committee shall have charge of all affairs pertaining to endowments or gifts to the Society.

Section 8. The Entertainment and Attendance Committee shall promote greater attendance, and better fraternal spirit among the members; arrange for any non-scientific entertainment at any of the meetings of the Society.

Section 9. The Ethics Committee shall investigate any breach of ethics of a member which shall be called to their attention in writing; to endeavor to correct any evil as is found, and in case amicable adjustments to the satisfaction of the committee and the member investigated is impossible, to see that proper charges or statements of facts are presented in due form to the Board of Censors.

Section 10. The Finance Committee shall advise and assist the Board of Trustees in the control of the general fund and of any other specified funds which may be established; to advise with the Board of Trustees proper and safe investments for any funds on hand, over and above current or probable requirements for expenditure, that such funds may be placed in such a manner as to be comparatively safe, and at the same time easily accessible on short notice should occasion demand their return to the general fund. It shall be their duty to consider and advise with the Board of Trustees as to any assessments or changes in the amount of the Society dues.

Section 11. The Golf Committee shall supervise all golf tournaments.

Section 12. The Industrial and Insurance Committee shall study and become intimately acquainted with every and all movements which in any way affect industrial medical insurance.

Section 13. The Legislation Committee shall watch over all pending or threatened legislation, reporting on same especially as to how this affects this Society and the profession generally. It shall be their duty to contact legislative officials and advise them in matters medical. This committee shall keep informed on the legislation pertaining to health, directly or indirectly from federal legislation, the states and municipalities. The construction of such legislation by the courts and inform the medical Society from time to time. They shall in particular investigate commissions or boards where medical problems are determined and use whatever power or influence they may have to see that problems of medicine, industrial or otherwise, have ample and adequate medical representation.

Section 14. The Library Committee shall purchase subscriptions to medical publications as needed by our library; study plans for securing additional technical volumes; study plans for securing non-technical or "lay reader" books on medical subjects; continue program for binding current issues of medical publications as in the past.

Section 15. The Maternal Health Committee shall act as liaison between this Society and the State Committee on Maternal Welfare, promoting public information as well as professional education on matters of prenatal, puerperal, and post-natal maternal welfare.

Section 16. The Medical Economic Committee shall study the service bureau plan for furnishing medical attention to persons falling in the low-income or borderline classification.

Section 17. The Pharmaceutical Relations Committee shall promote a condition of cooperation of all druggists and pharmacists with the medical Society; possibly furnish speaker at one of their meetings; stress importance of handling only well known council approved drugs, etc.

Section 18. The Membership Committee shall make a survey of doctors in Tulsa County and determine those who should become members. Make an effort to have every eligible doctor petition for membership. Members if this committee shall act as "fellowship" committee at regular meetings to be sure members are acquainted; investigate advisability of securing or accepting internes as members of the Society; make efforts to have each doctor in the City at all regular Society meetings.

Section 19. The Membership Welfare Committee shall investigate possible help needed by physician's widows and find out where it is possible to assist destitute physicians; to study possibility of providing benefits for aged physicians by State, Federal, or other agencies; visit members who are ill and send flowers or condolences to bereaved families.

Section 20. The Mental Health Committee shall arrange suitable program for regular meetings during the year; prepare suitable papers for reading before students, clubs and other organizations; keep membership advised of State or Federal programs in this field; inaugurate lay educational program in mental hygiene with special emphasis on Child Welfare activities.

Section 21. The Milk Committee shall act in connection with the local health officer and Board of Health in all matters relative to handling, transportation and distribution of milk and milk products.

Section 22. The Necrology and History Committee shall notify with proper resolutions the Society of the demise of any of our members; to offer proper condolences to the families of the same, and to see that proper floral recognition is made at their services, and second, to preserve and compile past and present facts of history of this Society, with proper reference to outstanding achievements attained each year.

Section 23. The Program Committee shall plan by-monthly scientific programs as in the past; contact chairmen of various committees and arrange programs which they will help present in all cases where this is advisable.

Section 24. The Nurses Committee shall consider all matter connecting or affecting this Society relative to the nursing profession.

Section 25. The Public and Preventative Medicine Committee shall act as a liaison between this Society and the Board of Health in advocating and promoting measures for the wholesale prevention of those diseases known to be communicable, and for the promotion of those measures known to be successful preventatives for certain of these communicable diseases; study plans for public health activities and educational campaign; plan "Public Health Week" or "Child Health Week" to be held each fall; plan educational programs.

Section 26. The Rural Affairs Committee shall have charge over all Society activities relating to rural communities. All general matters coming up in any of the committees affecting, benefiting, or tending to benefit these rural members or communities shall be considered in connection with this committee before definite action is taken.

Section 27. The Tuberculosis Committee shall act as a liaison between this Society and the State Committee on tuberculosis in promoting public information as well as professional education on this subject, also advising with this committee on proper state distribution of adequate diagnostic or curative efforts against this disease. They shall also act as the representative of this Society in connection with matters affecting the local tuberculosis association.

Section 28. The Fraudulent Practices Committee shall investigate and report to the Society at the first regular meeting thereafter any findings relevant to the fraudulent practice of medicine which shall be brought to their attention from any source whatsoever.

Section 29. The Public Relations and Publicity Committee shall consult with the Press, arrange Radio talks, supervise publicity of the Medical Society and any other function which might better the relationship between the public and the medical profession. It shall be the policy of the Society to have all publications for the lay press to be passed upon by this Committee.

Section 30. The Hospital Committee keep advised as to the condition of all local hospitals, both approved and unapproved, and to make whatever recommendations they feel necessary in bettering or protecting the interest of all Tulsa County Medical Society members practicing in these hospitals. Not more than one member shall be appointed from the regular staff of any one hospital.

CHAPTER XII. Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, provided that such amendment shall have been read in open session at the preceding regular meeting and a copy of the same has been sent to each member of the Society by the Secretary or published in the Bulletin at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting at which final action is to be taken.

CHAPTER XIII. Effect

This Constitution and By-Laws, as codified and amended shall be in effect from and after its regular adoption by this Society.

CHAPTER XIV. Preservation

The original copy of this Constitution and By-Laws shall be preserved in form by the Secretary of the Society for safe keeping and future reference.

NURSES REGISTRY EXPANDS

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The nurses center also plans to open a permanent placement bureau to serve Oklahoma and surrounding territory in finding positions for its registrants.

The present splendid headquarters in the business offices of the Medical society, operated by three registered nurses, is in strange contrast to the small beginning nearly 15 years ago. The registry was organized by Etta Pearl McLean and later taken over by Ada B. Godfrey, both still active workers in the association.

"It makes me very happy to see the splendid progress which the Tulsa nurses have made," Miss McLean observed on the new facilities in the Medical Arts building. "I am proud to be the one who launched this project which proves so valuable both to nurses and patients."

Mrs. Beulah Norton Beil is the present supervisor at the registry, assisted by Eleanor Rambo, executive secretary for the district association, and Maude Jernigan, a graduate nurse.

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Mrs. Beil is always ready to give without any charge a report on nurses available and suggest just which nurse would probably meet the special needs of the particular case.

Perhaps there will be a call for a highly trained nurse, one who is deft, kind and gentle, able to execute the doctor's orders, to recognize symptoms, to organize a plan for nursing care, and to meet any emergencies.

Or, there may be the need for a nurse who is willing but less prepared and skilled, and therefore less expensive. There may be a call for a person who can combine light household duties with simple bedside services.

In the latter instance, the registry has at hand a number of subsidiary workers, commonly called "practical nurses," who have had some training but are not graduates. The public has already learned to depend on the registry for

obtaining such services.

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Of course, the majority of the nurses available throughout the registry are registered since the profession has made every effort to improve standards within the organization. There are 130,000 registered nurses in the United States, 1,000 in Oklahoma, and 284 in district 2 in this area.

In line with the program to improve conditions both for the public and the nurses, the association adopted the eight-hour day for nurses. This did mean a financial sacrifice for the nurses, they point out.

"No other city before had dared to make such sudden drastic changes but instead first cut their day to 12 hours and later to eight," declared Mrs. Rhoda Elliot, associate public relations director. "But to have their hours limited by law would violate the whole spirit of nursing. The comfort of the patient is the nurses' first consideration."

So, Tulsa nurses have taken another progressive step, in line with their efforts, by establishing the downtown registry, a clearing house for the profession which is built to serve both nurses and the public.

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STATE CONVENTION MAY 1-2-3

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of attending and taking part in the Annual Meeting of your State Association. You are as much a part of the Association as any other doctor in the state, and the success and failure of the many programs that are to be attempted in the coming year necessitates that the officers of the Association have the benefit of suggestions and counsel from members in all parts of the state. In this day of changing economic conditions, it is becoming increasingly necessary for a united organization. Come to Oklahoma City, May 1st, 2d, and 3d, and do your part.

Bureau Returns \$12,000 First Year

Collection Department reaches First Birthday on March 31; Records Show Accounts worth \$38,300.00 have been brought back to life and are now in process of collection.

Today I yam a man! Or words to that effect.

With the close of business March 31, the Medical Credit Bureau closed its first year of operation with a record of having collected for the doctors, more than \$12,000 in old accounts and having started debtors paying delinquent accounts totaling more than \$38,000. This tremendous record of achievement is just an idea of what can be accomplished through the cooperation of the members of the organization.

While the total actual collections shows a very substantial figure, the actual scope of the department's activity is shown in the fact that the value of the accounts now paid in full or now paying will reach \$38,000.00. These accounts run in value from \$1 to \$350 and the total of 3,865 accounts now in the files show an average value of \$18.12 each.

Starting out just twelve months ago with collections for the month of just \$26.00, the Bureau has shown progressive increases in total volume of collections until this past month of March shows the total collections above the

\$1,700.00 mark for the first time.

During the past ten days the Bureau has shown a huge increase in the number of new accounts turned in for collection. One doctor turned in accounts showing a value of approximately \$8,000.00 while another turned in accounts valued at more than \$4,800.00. These are accounts which are practically uncollectable or dead and from which these same doctors will eventually receive very substantial payments.

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What has happened to that resolution you made New Years to "do something" about those old accounts that you were going to turn into cash? When you looked over those ledger sheets and saw the names of people whom you knew could pay but just hadn't, you made up your mind to send them over to the Bureau. In the rush you let the matter slip not knowing, perhaps, that ever day that goes by sees people moving away and becoming "skips". Each day makes them harder to find and if too much time elapses they will be so far away that the Bureau will be unable to locate them.

Medical Credit Bureau Summary

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Total accounts in file	3,865
Accounts now paying bureau	510
Accounts paid in full	750
Total value of accounts in file.....	\$83,400.00
Total probable recovery	\$38,300.00
Average age of accounts in file.....	19.8 mos.
Average value of accounts	\$18.12
Total to date	\$12,150.60
Total number of clients using bureau.....	113
Total uncollectable accounts	1,525

Of Special Interest!

LEADER OF CANCER FIGHT IN TULSA

Honoring Mrs. Majorie B. Illig of New York City, national commander of the Woman's Field Army of the American Society for the Control of Cancer, a luncheon was held Friday, March 31, in Tulsa under auspices of the local executive committee.

Mrs. R. H. Hughes, local commander, assisted by the local executive advisory board, is making arrangements for the affair, at which members of the local advisory board and nine county chairmen who was in Tulsa for the first district federation of women's clubs council meeting, were guests.

Plans for the drive to further education on cancer control in Oklahoma were discussed by Mrs. Illig and Mrs. Van Divort.

Members of the local executive committee working with Mrs. Hughes are Mrs. R. V. Rorabaugh, assistant commander; Mrs. J. O. Misch, publicity chairman; Mesdames C. A. Mechling, E. F. Pumphries, Norman P. Brown, Wilma Red Thompson and Estelle Garabedian.

Mrs. Roberta Campbell Lawson, Mrs. C. E. Baldwin, Mrs. E. L. Hurlock and Mrs. C. Guy Cutlip were special guests from the federated clubs.

Members of the local advisory committee invited to be present were Mesdames A. P. Cameron, W. A. Melton, Walter Ferguson, Nathan A. Gibson, W. J. Holleman, Theodore Lilystrand, J. L. Burkitt, Samuel P. McBirney, Earle S. Porter, Ruric N. Smith, George Snedden, G. C. Spillers, E. A. Ross, Julia Livigston and Claude H. Rosenstein.

Elmo Thompson, treasurer; Ralph Talbot, Dr. Ralph McGill and several

doctors from the Tulsa County Medical Society, who are cooperating in the project, also were present.

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"Your Family Doctor" series of radio talks presented over radio station KTUL every Wednesday afternoon, were presented during the month of March by Dr. Mont Stanley; Dr. H. Lee Farris; Dr. Charles A. Pigford; Dr. W. Albert Cook; and by District Number Two of the Oklahoma State Nurses Association. Speakers for the month of April will be: Dr. R. M. Shepard, Dr. J. L. Miner, Dr. A. L. Waters and Dr. A. H. Ungerman.

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MISS PATTERSON HEADS ASSISTANT'S ASSOCIATION

The Tulsa County Medical and Dental Assistants selected officers for the coming year, at the regular monthly meeting held March 21, in the Michaelis Cafeteria clubroom.

Officers for the coming year are: Marguerite Patterson, president; Bernadine Field, vice-president; Kay Holland, secretary; Maurean Sanford, treasurer; Mary Wiedemann, director. Committees will be appointed in the near future and plans for the coming year will be outlined in time to be presented to the organization in September when the newly elected officers assume their new duties.

**DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
VISITS IN OKLAHOMA**

Dr. Morris Fishbein, Editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association, was guest speaker before two County Medical Societies in Oklahoma during the past month on what will probably be his only trip to the state this year.

A number of Tulsa physicians, headed by Dr. A. Ray Wiley and Dr. W. Albert Cook, of Tulsa made the trip to Shawnee March 14, to attend the thirty-fourth annual meeting of the Pottawatomie County Medical Society and to hear Dr. Fishbein. Another group of Tulsa members attended the meeting at Stillwater on March 13.

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**WOULD LEGALIZE
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pressed, or being employed by, or in the service of any person, firm, association or corporation so advertising. Third; The obtaining of any fee or offering to accept any fee, present, or other form of remuneration whatsoever on the assurance or promise that a manifestly incurable disease can or will be cured. Fourth; Wilfully betraying a professional secret to the detriment of the patient. Fifth; Habitual intemperance or the habitual use of habit forming drugs. Sixth; Conviction of a felony or of any offense involving moral turpitude. Seventh; The employment of what is commonly known as "Cappers" or "Steerers" in procuring practice; Provided the term "Cappers" or "Steerers" shall not be construed to apply to: Bona fide Agents of Hospitals and Clinics legally organized. Provided further that such hospitals or clinics shall not be permitted to enter into contracts for hospital or medical services to be performed within thirty days of the date of said contract and provided further that said organization of clinics or hospitals shall be organized on a mutual or cooperative non-profit plan in connection with some recognized farm or labor union or church or charitable organization. Eighth; All advertising of medical business in which statements are made which are grossly untrue or improbable or calculated to mislead the public. Ninth; Conviction or confession of a crime involving the violation of the anti-narcotic or prohibition laws and regulations of the Federal Government, or the Board of Health Laws and Regulations of the State of Oklahoma. Tenth; Dishonorable or immoral conduct. Eleventh; Professional connection with or lending one's name to any person engaged unlawfully in the practice of medicine and surgery; or engaging in the practice of medicine or surgery under any name other than the one specified in the license of the licentiate.

SECTION 4. Section 4656 of the Oklahoma Statutes of 1931, as amended by Section 2, Article 7, Chapter 24 of the Session Laws of Oklahoma of 1935, is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 4656. The State Board of Medical Examiners of the State of Oklahoma is hereby given quasi-judicial power, while setting as a Board for the purpose of revoking or suspending the license of phys-

icians and/or surgeons of this State, and appeals from its decisions shall be taken to the District Court of the county of the residence of the accused, where said appeal shall be tried de novo in the same manner as appeals from Justices of the Peace, and appeals may be taken from the action of the District Court in the same manner as appeals in civil cases generally. No decision of said Board of Medical Examiners of the State of Oklahoma shall become final in any matter appealed from, pending final decision of the Supreme Court of this State, except as hereinafter provided in this Section. The license of any physician and/or surgeon who has been convicted of any felony in or without the State of Oklahoma and whether in a state or federal court, and which conviction shall have become final, shall be suspended or revoked and cancelled by said Board upon the submission thereto of a certified copy of the judgment and sentence of the trial court and the certificate of the clerk of said court that said conviction has become final; Provided, that the revocation of the license of any person convicted of a felony on any other grounds than that of moral turpitude or the violation of the Federal or State Narcotic Laws, shall be on the merits of the particular case, but the court records in the trial of such case when convicted has been had shall be prima facie evidence of the conviction. Said Board shall also revoke and cancel the license of any physician and/or surgeon who has been charged in a court of record of this or other states of the United States or in the Federal Court with the commission of a felony and who is a fugitive from justice, upon the submission of a certified copy of the charge together with a certificate from the clerk of said court that after the commitment of said crime said physician and/or surgeon filed from the jurisdiction of the court and is a fugitive from justice.

SECTION 5. All acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. The provisions of this Act are severable, and, if any part hereof is held to be invalid by a final decision of any court of competent jurisdiction the remaining parts hereof shall be valid.

SECTION 6. Emergency Clause.

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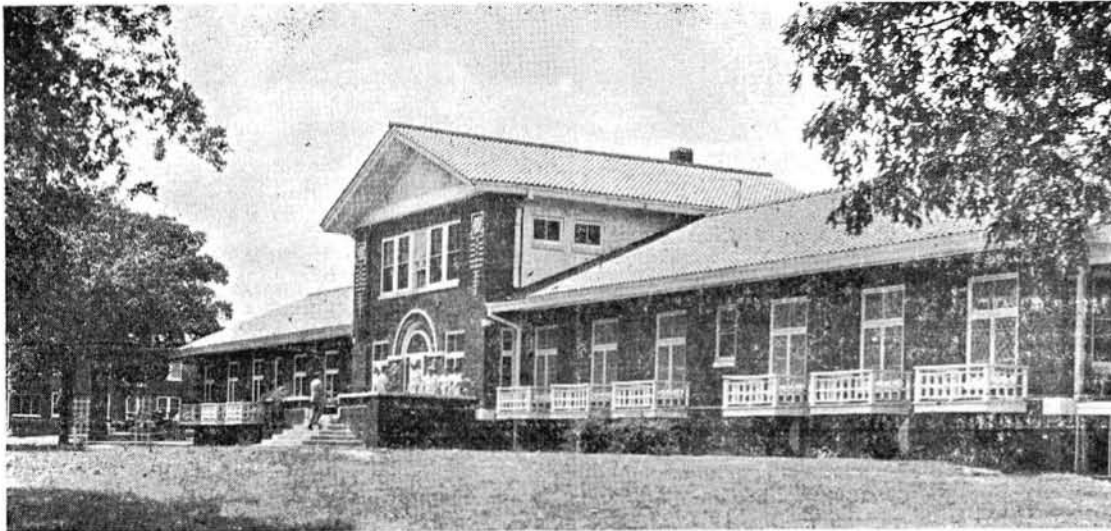
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