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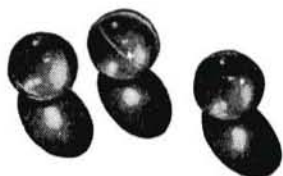
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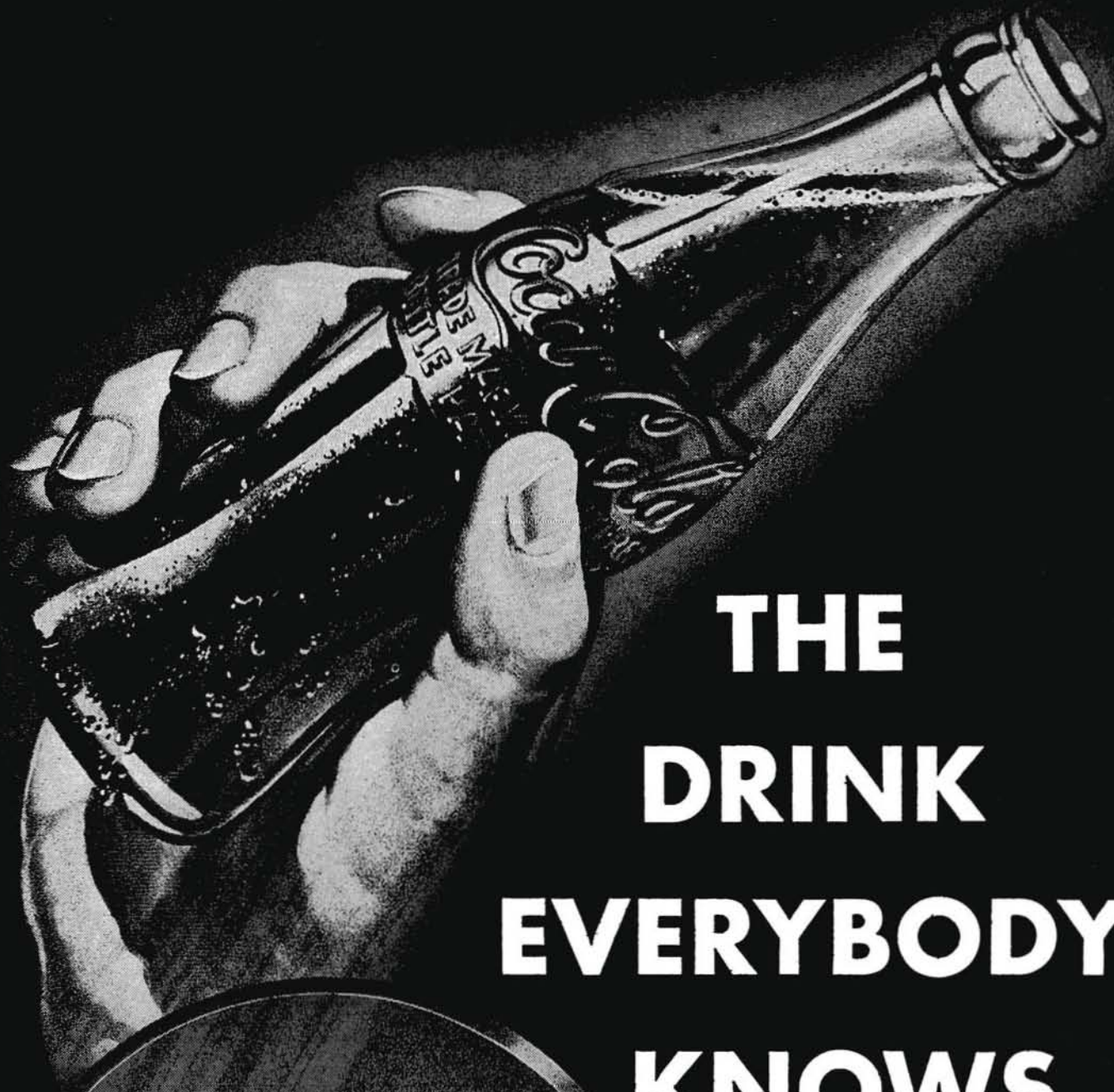
American Medical Journal

Studies by the United States Public Health Service and the former American Child Health Association have demonstrated again and again that milk-borne epidemics are due almost exclusively to raw milk supplies. In many parts of this country, especially the smaller cities, raw milk still constitutes an appreciable percentage of the daily milk distribution. Raw milk unless certified is frequently produced under conditions not conducive to safety. The danger of contamination of raw milk has been recognized even to the extent that producers of certified milk and the American Association of Medical Milk Commissions, which supervises certified milk production, are agreed that pasteurization would be an additional safeguard even for certified milk.

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Annual Election on December 9th

Vacancies to be filled at last meeting of the year include, President-Elect; Vice-President; Secretary-Treasurer; One Member Board of Trustees; One Censor; One Delegate and Eight Alternates.

A record attendance for a year which has seen the regular attendance at Medical Society meetings greatly increased, is expected at the annual business meeting of the Tulsa County Medical Society at the Mayo Hotel, Monday, December 9th, at which time the officers who will guide the organization through 1941 will be elected.

Officers to be chosen at this meeting include: President-Elect: Vice-President; Secretary-Treasurer; One Member of the Board of Trustees; One Member of the Board of Censors; One Delegate to the State and eight Alternate Delegates.

The new member of the board of trustees will be elected to fill the seat vacated by the expiration of the term of Dr. Ned R. Smith. He will serve for 1941 with the following hold-over trustees; Dr. W. S. Larrabee, Dr. A. W. Pigford, Dr. M. J. Searle, and Dr. P. P. Nesbitt.

The newly elected delegate will serve with Dr. W. S. Larrabee, Dr. M. J. Searle, Dr. George Osborn, Dr. James Stevenson, Dr. C. H. Haralson, Dr. R. M. Shepard, Dr. Ned R. Smith, Dr. W. Albert Cook and Dr. R. C. Pigford is the retiring Delegate.

The two hold-over members of the Board of Censors are Dr. M. J. Searle and Dr. Marvin Henley.

The attendance for the past year has

been larger than ever before and for that reason there are more members eligible for office than ever before. The largest attendance for the year was 135 and the average attendance was 67. A check of the attendance records show that the following members have attended at least 50 per cent of the regular membership meetings and will be eligible to hold office.

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C. H. Haralson
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W. M. Jones
J. S. Gorrell
James Stevenson
G. H. Henry
M. J. Searle
Ralph McGill
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STILL BETTER

First Pedestrian—I wish I had the money that was paid for all of those cars going by.

Second Pedestrian—I wish I had the money that is still due on them.

The Case of Private Medicine

This Is the Much Commented upon Article which Appeared in the May, 1940, issue of Nation's Business. Because of its great Interest It Is Reprinted Through Courtesy of the Editors of Nation's Business.

Patients Are People, Not Robots

The physicians themselves had the concept that the finest professional service was rendered when there was free choice of doctor by the patient, mutual responsibility between patient and doctor, and the maintenance of a personal relationship between doctor and patient which considered the patient as a human being and not merely as an ailing unit in a great machine.

The economists, however, believed that the reduction of medical service costs made possible with mass handling might be sufficient reward for the destruction of these values. Here, there and everywhere proposals were made for the setting up of groups of doctors to administer service as units with complete changes in the method of payment for the service. Most articulate was the group who insisted that the state must take over medical service, administering it under a system of compulsory sickness insurance.

This the medical profession opposed particularly as representing waste through the expenditure of vast sums on governmental bureaus and institutions with all the officials and employees required to support them. Experience abroad has shown that, in some of the systems at least, two employees are necessary for every physician who renders service. Since the money available for medical service and supplies barely covers the necessary cost of such service, expenditures for administrative overhead must either reduce the quantity or quality of attention or else demand larger contributions by the workers.

Moreover, when the cut was made, it obviously had to be taken from the money available for the physician and for the hospital. Obviously, this money in itself was not more than enough to cover the costs of the service if, indeed, it did that.

In 1927, a Committee on the Costs of Medical Care, composed largely of statisticians, social service workers, economists, sociologists, a few philanthropists and business leaders, and a sprinkling of physicians, was established.

A \$1,000,000 Study

Now it is recognized that the leadership and control of this Committee was primarily that of E. A. Filene of Boston who had been for years committed to substitutes for the American system and whose views inclined toward the cooperative system as the only method of distributing goods and services. After five years in which it spent \$1,000,000, contributed by various foundations

in studies of medical service, the Committee made two reports. A majority recommended reorganization of medical service on an organized basis with medical care centering around the hospitals in which physicians would be employed full-time on salaries to render special services, the general practitioners serving merely as feeders for the hospitals. In each state, a lay administration was to be set up to control medical service. Payment was to be made on a voluntary insurance basis but there was a clear understanding that the voluntary insurance system must eventually be transmuted into a compulsory system.

The minority opposed such a revolution in medical service, insisting that medicine was undergoing gradual evolution with the introduction of new technics and that only scientific experimentation under controlled conditions could yield evidence of value as to what methods might be best in various parts of the country. They opposed particularly any breakdown of the personal relationship between doctor and patient and mutual responsibility.

Now, during the years, the advances of medical science had gradually led to lengthening of life. A child born in the United States in 1890 could reasonably expect to live about 40 years, whereas a child born in the United States today can reasonably expect to live 62 years. In 1890, 2.7 per cent of our population were more than 65 years old. Today that figure is 7.8 per cent. The increases of the aged and the onset of economic difficulties threw the problem of care of the aged into politics. Advisory committees were set up to develop technics for meeting this problem as well as unemployment and the distribution of medical service. The technical advisory committees recommended to the President the social security system for all three services, compulsory deductions from wages, taxes on employers, and contribution by the State. There was, however, a distinction as to the manner in which benefits would be administered. Under the system for old age and unemployment it was decided to give cash benefits in return for the government levies on the workers' wages, while in the case of health insurance, medical service only was to be rendered. Payment then would be made to the physician and to the hospital by the State rather than directly to the patient or the insured worker. Thus the physician would become, not an employee of the worker, but an employee of the State.

Doctor's Spokesmen Ignored

The House of Delegates of the American Medical Association met in special session and explained its objections to the system and these objections were presented to the Administration. An advisory committee of 12 physicians was set up as soon as it was recognized that the so-called technical advisory committee, which had worked out the plan of compulsory sickness insurance, was not adequately representative of the medical profession. At no time has there been suitable consultation between the Administration and the medical profession as represented by the chosen spokesmen of 117,000 physicians who constitute the American Medical Association. Strangely, the powers that be invariably have chosen to consult small groups, representing frequently only a few hundred doctors, from whom, however, they were certain to get the kind of a reply that they wanted.

Meantime the President had appointed a committee of 12 physicians and that committee opposed compulsory sickness insurance. For this reason the recommendation of the President with respect to Social Security—or "economic security" as it was first called—did not include such a departure and the law was passed without it. Instead, under Title 6, an appropriation of \$10,000,000 was provided for the United States Public Health Service and the Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor under the system of grants-in-aid with matching appropriations by the states. That system sets a sinister pattern for paternalistic federal legislation in purely state matters. It includes acceptance of federal dictation because the state cannot get the money unless the federal Government approves its plans.

It has been said that the federal Government has never rejected a plan of a state, yet it must also be recorded that the spenders in the state are not likely to bring to the federal Government a plan which is certain to be rejected because it does not coincide with the federal system. Indeed, the ultimate has been reached by the appearance before state legislatures of representatives of federal bureaus who have brought measures for passage by the state legislatures and have insisted upon the passage of these "model statutes," with possibly the change of a comma or a semicolon, in order that the political aims of the bureaucrats might be achieved.

Federal spending for new health schemes did not end with Title 6 of the Social Security Act. Other measures have been passed, including the LaFollette-Bulwinkle act with the appropriation of \$3,000,000 the first year, \$5,000,000 the second year, \$7,000,000 and up after the third year for a campaign on venereal disease. This money likewise is spent under the technic of grants-in-aid with matching appropriations. There is also an appropriation of \$750,000 a year for five years for the establishment of a national in-

stitute for the study of cancer, and other appropriations for research throughout the nation.

When measures for changing the complexion of the Supreme Court and for reorganizing the federal Government were introduced in Congress a considerable portion of the nation rose in revolt. The result was, of course, that Congress failed to approve these procedures. In the meantime, the little group of serious workers which had stimulated the majority report of the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care and which had tried to plant compulsory sickness insurance into the Social Security Law had not surrendered their hopes and ambitions. The value of health promotion as a political asset had not lost its magic.

This was the time when it began to be a little difficult for idle W.P.A. hands to find something to do. The medical profession began to hear of a national health survey. It was planned to spend about \$4,000,000 and employ 6,000 W.P.A. workers to make a house to house canvass of 700,000 urban families and 50,000 rural families with a view to determining the amount of chronic disabling illness and the extent to which it received medical attention.

A Rickety Foundation

Out of this national health survey came later a mass of statistical evidence. It was poorly prepared, as might have been expected from 6,000 W.P.A. workers without medical training and suddenly impressed into the highly technical task of assembling medical data for statistical analysis. The areas investigated, it is believed, did not represent a fair cross-section of the population. They were heavily overweighted by the large urban centers. The attempt to extend the figures so compiled naturally produced questionable conclusions. Nevertheless, on this foundation was to be based the most audacious plan of federal spending yet proposed. The great drive for government health insurance, or State medicine, was on.

Soon there was announced the appointment by the President, with an appropriation by Congress, of the Interdepartmental Committee to Coordinate the Health and Welfare Activities of the United States Government. Miss Josephine Roche, third assistant secretary of the Treasury, in charge of the United States Public Health Service, was designated as Chairman of the new committee. Promptly a technical advisory committee was named. It included Isidore Falk, formerly a worker for the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care—later associated with John Kingsbury, an employee of the Millbank Fund, in his drive for compulsory sickness insurance—and still later an employee of the Social Security Board which has been empowered to study medical care. He particularly believes that compulsory insurance is the only possible answer to the problem of medical care for the people.

(Continued Next Month)

Inaugural Banquet on January 11th

Annual meeting marks close of 34 years of medical history in Tulsa; launches new year of work with Dr. J. C. Brogden as president; Committee plans for early sale of tickets.

Marking the close of 34 years in the history of the Tulsa County Medical Society and the inaugural of a new year of activity under the leadership of Dr. J. C. Brogden and his new staff of officers to be elected at the December meeting, the annual inaugural dinner of the Tulsa County Medical Society has been set for Saturday night, January 11th, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Mayo Hotel.

The entertainment committee, composed of Chairman Dr. O. C. Armstrong and Dr. Hugh J. Evans and Dr. Luvern Hays, have completed preliminary arrangements for the ballroom, the ticket sale, invitation of guests and completed and acceptance received.

ception of the announcement of the speaker for the occasion. All members are privileged to invite one outside lay couple as his guest for the dinner and dance and already a large number of doctors are planning on bringing outstanding Tulsans as their guests.

Plans are being made to secure an out-of-state speaker of outstanding ability and prominent throughout the nation, although Dr. Armstrong said his committee was not ready to make any announcement until final details have been completed all early details with the ex-

Arrangements for the decoration of the Crystal Ballroom and the tables will be placed in the hands of a committee from the Women's Auxiliary, Dr. Armstrong said. This organization, which sponsored the first of the series of annual dinner meetings, will be invited to take part in the arrangements and direct the decorations, dancing and card party.

Following the banquet and program, the floor will be cleared for dancing and music will be furnished by one of Tulsa's finest dance bands. For those who do not wish to dance, a special

bridge party will be arranged and prizes offered for the winning scores.

Tickets for the annual banquet will sell for \$1.50 each and will be placed on sale by members of the committee at the December 9th meeting and will be on sale until the day before the annual banquet. All persons wishing to attend should make reservations before the last day as the ticket sale will end at that time so that adequate arrangements can be made to take care of the guests planning to attend. Tickets will be available at all times from the offices of the Medical Society.

SWEEPSTAKES WON

BY DR. ROY SMITH

Dr. Roy L. Smith won chrysanthemum sweepstakes with his score of 21 prizes at the Tulsa Garden Club's fall flower show that was held last month at Philbrook Art Museum.

Placing second in the chrysanthemum class was Stanley Snodgrass.

Grand prize winners were: First—Doctor Smith; second—Dr. Roy Dunlap; third—Stanley Snodgrass.

Mrs. W. B. Hankla, flower show chairman, said that 140 exhibitors, exceeding last year's record of 60, were registered, but that several had made more than 20 entries in specimen classes.

The 1940 show, visitors remarked, surpassed any previously held in the high quality of chrysanthemum exhibits shown. Novelty types in chrysanthemums were entered in profusion with "Dainty White" and "Marie Tashima," unique in form, leading the list. The anemone-type mums displayed furnished little competition with Doctor Smith's giant entry which stole the show. An unknown variety called Kerbel after a Tulsa amateur grower who introduced it, is a deep red cluster-flowered garden variety that is attracting attention.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Comes now your President with a final message for the year 1940. I find myself sitting at the desk thumbing the pages of the Bulletin endeavoring to summarize the activities of the Society during the past year. I am quite surprised to note the great mass of activities and accomplishments of the Tulsa County Medical Society. It seems greater than last year,—and then last year seemed greater than the year before. Maybe it just *seems* so because of my particular relationship to these activities. Nevertheless, when a recapitulation of the Society's workings has been submitted in the form of the various committee reports one cannot but realize the responsibilities and obligations of the Tulso County Medical Society to organized medicine, the public, and more recently, to the defense program of our Country.

It is obvious that the work of this Society cannot be entrusted to a single individual, nor to a small group of individuals. The real accomplishments have been a result of vigorous committee activities.

I have felt a keen sense of responsibility during the past year. Mistakes have been made, which I can assure you have been of the mind and not of the heart. The experience has been a great one. I am, I believe, a better doctor by reason of this experience. I wish it were possible for every member of the Society to hold this office for one year. I am sure all would agree that it would be worthwhile.

I shall not let pass the opportunity to express my appreciation for the cooperation given by all members of the Society for the work done by them either as individuals or as committees. I cannot now recall a single instance of refusal of a member to accept assignments which were made.

And now, Mister President-Elect, I pass to you a real responsibility, but with the assurance that you will in your Society a group of men who are always eager and willing to make your burdens light and pleasureable.



President

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HOW ARE YOU, DOCTOR?

Lemuel Shattuck, a Boston schoolmaster, is accredited for first having promulgated the periodic health examination plan in this country, and in his famous report, made in 1850, in which he states that "in literature on health too much importance is attached to public health and too little to personal health," he makes a remark that is striking in the light of present day trends in health, and health education.

Opinions to the contrary, the task of protecting the health of the public will always rest primarily with the doctor of medicine, but the ramifications of the work which have been raised by an army of field workers, both medical and lay, has placed an increased demand on the time of the already busy doctor. The medical profession has accepted this additional burden, has adjusted itself in keeping with the trend of the times, and has consistently advanced all worthwhile projects which will result in healthier citizens.

However, most physicians do not take time to care for their own health, and being continually occupied in the care of the sick they fail to realize that they too are subject to the same illnesses of their patients, and therefore should be the first to accept and foster any plan for

the prevention of sickness. The press in recent days has carried detailed accounts of national defense programs with the medical profession forming the most important single unit in the whole program of national safety, both for the soldiers-in training as well as for the citizens at home.

Therefore, how important it is that we doctors consider our personal health, and, as it were, practice what we preach by undergoing a complete physical check-up each year. Such a procedure would well serve a dual purpose of insuring the individual physician of continued good health and a complete record of his own physical well-being, and at the same time would tend to focus public attention upon the value of the annual physical examination as a method of discovering disease in its early stages.

Would it not be both practical and advisable for us as a group to develop within our own ranks some plan of procedure whereby each of us might receive a complete checkup from our colleagues?

When one realizes, for example, that national statistics for 1939 show that heart disease was the cause of 40% of the deaths of physicians in the country, arteriosclerosis, almost 12%, pneumonia, cerebral hemorrhage, and cancer, approximately 10% each, and when one realizes that probably many of these deaths might have been prevented by early diagnosis and treatment, then the problem resolves itself into one of the vital concern to every doctor.

Lemuel Shattuck's words would appear to be as true today as they were when written ninety years ago, and as medical men we will do well to consider our personal health to our own advantage, as well as for the importance of setting a good example for the community in which we reside.

—Providence Medical News.

"Moderns" are people who sleep indoors with their dog . . . "primitive" people slept outdoors with their dog.

Medical Calendar

TUESDAY, Dec. 3rd:

Clinic Meeting, 1202 Medical Arts Bldg., 12:30 p.m.
Hillcrest Hospital Staff Meeting.
Mercy Hospital Staff Meeting.

FRIDAY, Dec. 6th:

Trustee Meeting, 1202 Medical Arts Bldg., 12:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, Dec. 7th:

Radio Broadcast at 3:15 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. H. Lee Farris.

MONDAY, Dec. 9th:

Tulsa County Medical Society Meeting, Mayo Hotel, 8:00 p. m. Annual Election of Officers.

TUESDAY, Dec. 10th:

Tulsa General Hospital Staff Meeting.

SATURDAY, Dec. 14th:

Radio Broadcast at 3:15 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. R. M. Shepard.

MONDAY, Dec. 16:

St. Johns Hospital Staff Meeting.

TUESDAY, Dec. 17th:

Flower Hospital Staff Meeting.
Office Assistan'ts Meeting. Michaelis Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m. There will be a Christmas party so everyone be sure and come.

SATURDAY, Dec. 21st:

Radio Broadcast at 3:15 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. J. L. Miner.

MONDAY, Dec. 23rd:

No Tulsa County Medical Society Meeting.

SATURDAY, Dec. 28th:

Radio Broadcast at 3:15 p.m. Station KTUL. Dr. Marvin D. Henley.

"Family Doctor" Begins New Year on Radio



"Your Family Doctor" the weekly radio program sponsored by the Tulsa County Medical Society and heard over radio station KTUL every Saturday afternoon is just concluding its second year and shortly will begin a new season with a continuation of the present educational series.

Although the program has been produced by the Publicity Committee, the work has been taken over by a corps of Tulsa physicians who have appeared regularly over the past two years and have been working without as much as a line of credit over the airways during their programs. The programs, furnished principally by the American Medical Association, are broadcast and the doctors taking part are merely designated as "Your Family Doctor" from

which the program takes its name.

Among the Society members who have done the bulk of the work are Dr. H. Lee Farris and Dr. James Miner who have appeared at least once every month during the past two years. Dr. Marvin Henley, Dr. Mont Stanley, Dr. W. Ralph McGill and Dr. A. L. Walters have been working regularly during the past year. There has seldom been a slip-up in the appearances and on those few programs the script has been read by other doctors or by the Executive Secretary.

This program is produced as an educational movement and the time on the air is given gratis by Radio Station KTUL and the station manager William C. Gillespie as a public service contribution.



Dr. H. Lee Farris



Dr. J. L. Miner



Dr. Marvin Henley



Dr. Ralph McGill



Dr. A. L. Walters



Dr. Monto Stanley



Dr. W. A. Cook



Dr. Ned R. Smith

Patient Wants His Birth Certificate

Miss Golden Roberts, Registrar of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, tells just how to go about the job of getting a birth certificate; here is information for doctors to give patients.

Doctor, can you give me a birth certificate? Where do I go to get a birth certificate? I was born 50 years ago in Iowa, can I get a birth certificate? What does a birth certificate cost? Is it possible for me to get a birth certificate after all these years? All these and a million others, too.

In all likelihood there is not a member of the Tulsa County Medical Society who has not had these and other questions shot at them time and time again by patients, friends or others who are trying to get a birth certificate for any one of two dozen reasons.

In the first place it is possible for anyone to get a birth certificate. It makes little difference how long ago a person was born or in what state of the Union. If the state of a person's birth had birth certificate records at that time, the records are available. If there were no record kept at that time, it will be possible to have some kind of a certificate issued in any event.

"In order to record a birth certificate after more than one year has elapsed since the date of birth, a delayed form of certificate must be filled out giving all information as it was at time of the birth. If the attending physician is living and available, he should sign the certificate. If the signature of the doctor cannot be obtained then the midwife, nearest relative or other person who was present at the birth will sign the line designated, "Midwife, Father, etc."

"Where the certificate is not delayed more than four years, the physician's signature is all that is required. In cases where the filing of a certificate has been delayed more than four years, the signature of the physician or other person present at birth, the affidavit of nearest relative and affidavit of non-relative should be signed by someone who had a knowledge of the birth and is at present a resident of the State of Oklahoma if

possible.

"When the certificate is complete, it should be returned to the State office of Vital Statistics, State Health Department, Oklahoma City, where it will be placed on file as a permanent record of birth. If a certified copy is desired a fee of fifty cents, payable in advance by cash, check or money order is charged for this service. All checks and money orders should be made payable to the Oklahoma State Health Department, where it will be placed on file as a permanent record of birth. If a certified copy is desired a fee of fifty cents, payable in advance by cash, check or money order is charged for this service. All checks and money orders should be made payable to the Oklahoma State Health Department, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Free Clinic Committee Changes

Section Chiefs, vice-chiefs and Secretaries have served over 13 months; new leaders will be named at special meetings of each group following next business meeting of Medical Society.

With the close of the current year, the leaders who have been working constantly to keep every section of the Free Medical Clinic supplied with rotating staffs for more than 13 months will complete their terms of office at the special meeting of each Special Section which will be held immediately after the regular business meeting of the Medical Society on the night of December 9th, when they will either be re-elected or some one will be named to succeed them.

Members of each section will meet immediately after the regular business meeting and election of officers to select their own Section Chief, Vice Chief and Secretary. The Chief of each section automatically becomes a member of the General Clinic Committee.

During the past year or more the following section chiefs have been serving the clinic and shouldering the responsibility of providing rotating medical and surgical staffs at the clinic and hospitals: *Internal Medicine Section*: Dr. B. L. Branley, Chief; Dr. Homer Ruprecht, Assistant Chief and Dr. James D. Markland, Secretary. *Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Section*: Dr. C. H. Haralson, Chief; Dr. J. F. Gorrell, Assistant and Dr. Hugh J. Evans, Secretary. *X-Ray and Laboratory Section*: Dr. Walter Larrabee, Chief; Dr. I. A. Nelson, Assistant; and Dr. A. D. Piatt, Secretary. *Dermatology Section*: Dr. M. O. Nelson, Chief; Dr. W. A. Showman, Assistant; and Dr. Harry Green, Secretary. *Pediatrics Section*: Dr. M. J.

Searle, chief; Dr. Luvern Hays, assistant; and Dr. K. C. Reese, secretary. *Surgical Section*: Dr. J. C. Brogden, chief; Dr. Ralph McGill, Assistant; and Dr. Paul Grosshart, secretary. *Urology Section*: E. L. Cohenour, Chief; Dr. Henry Browne, Assistant; and Dr. K. F. Swanson, secretary. *Obstetrics Section*: Dr. George Osborn, chief; Dr. D. M. MacDonald, Assistant; and Dr. H. H. Porter, secretary. *Tumor Section*: Dr. Ralph McGill, Chief; *Gynecological Section*: Dr. J. C. Peden, chief. *Proctological Section*: Dr. V. K. Allen, Chief.

Serving as directors of the clinic proper has been the General Clinic Committee composed of Dr. A. W. Pigford, chairman, and Dr. P. P. Nesbitt, Dr. Henry Browne and Dr. S. C. Shepard.

Following is the Clinic Report for November:

Surgery	208
Rectal	48
Diathermy	40
Urology	82
Gynecology	145
Pediatrics	101
Orthopedics	39
Dental	206
Dermatology	55
Eye	107
Tonsils	46
Nose and Throat	65
Neurology	13
Varicose	44
Tumor	29
Cardiac	48
Medicine	732
	2,008
Number of patients sent to Hospitals	12
Number of prescriptions from Oct. 25 to Nov. 23, inc.	1,451
Total number of X-Ray Pictures	48
Total Number of Fluoroscopic Exams.	95
Total Number of X-Ray Treatments	100
Total Number of Patients	2,100

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Dr. R. M. Shepard Heads Appeal Board

Dr. Louis Ritzhaupt attends organization meeting for group; Dr. Cannon of Miami and Dr. Beechwood of Bartlesville are vice-chairmen; Dr. Frank Nelson is Secretary.

Dr. R. M. Shepard of Tulsa was elected chairman of the Northeastern Oklahoma Draft Medical Appeal Board at a meeting of the members of this board held November 19 in the Medical Society offices. Dr. Louis Ritzhaupt, state medical director of the State Induction Board, attended the meeting and explained the work and duties of this board and went over the details for appeal routine.

Besides Dr. Shepard, other officers for the Appeal Board are: Dr. Cannon of Miami and Dr. Beechwood of Bartlesville, Vice-Chairmen; and Dr. Frank Nelson of Tulsa as Secretary. Arrangements are being made to clear as much of this routine appeal work through the offices of the Medical Society where it will be possible for anyone in Northeast Oklahoma to get any information at any time.

The members of this Board consist of specialists in all lines of medicine and will be called upon at any time by members of local draft examining boards either for their own guidance or upon the appeal of any drafted individual. They will not be subject to call only upon the certification of the local draft boards. The local draft boards are free to send a draftee direct to any one special member of the appeal board or to the Appeal Board officers who will designate a particular doctor for the re-examination.

The thirty-three northeastern Oklahoma medical men were appointed by Gov. Leon C. Phillips to the first district of Oklahoma Medical Advisory Board for the United States army draft set-up are:

The first district includes the counties of Osage, Washington, Nowata, Craig, Ottawa, Delaware, Mayes, Rogers, Payne, Creek, Tulsa, Wagoner, Cherokee, Adair, Lincoln and Pawnee. The District No. 1 board includes:

SURGERY, Dr. Fred Y. Cronk, and Dr. H. Lee Farris of Tulsa. INTERNIST: Dr. Frank Nelson and Dr. S. C. Shepard of Tulsa. OTOLARYNGOLOGIST: Dr. Roy Dunlap and Dr. A. H. Davis of Tulsa. ELECTROCARDIOLOGIST; Dr. R. C. Pigford of Tulsa. UROLOGIST: Dr. Henry Browne and Dr. J. W. Rogers of Tulsa. DISEASES OF THE LUNGS: Dr. R. M. Shepard, of Tulsa. OPHTHAMOLOGIST: Dr. Chas. Haralson and Dr. W. A. Huber of Tulsa. DERMATOLOGIST: Dr. James Stevenson and Dr. M. O. Nelson of Tulsa. PROCTOLOGIST: Dr. Joseph Fulcher of Tulsa. PSYCHIATRY: Dr. Ned Smith of Tulsa. RADIOLOGIST: Dr. Leon Stuart and Dr. Walter Larrabee of Tulsa. CLINICAL PATHOLOGIST: Dr. I. A. Nelson of Tulsa. ORTHOPEDICS: Dr. Frank Stuart and Dr. Ian Mackenzie of Tulsa. DENTIST: Dr. Scott P. Bowyer, Dr. O. F. Sinks both of Tulsa.

DOCTORS TO BUILD

NEW TULSA CLINIC

A new colonial type medical clinic, to be known as the Tulsa Clinic, will be built at 915 South Cincinnati at a cost of approximately \$85,000, it was announced last month after three Tulsa medical doctors completed plans for construction.

The building itself will cost \$50,000, while about \$35,000 worth of equipment will be moved into it by the owners, Dr. R. G. Ray, Dr. J. O. Lowe, Dr. Andre B. Carney and associates. The clinic will be completely equipped for medical, surgical and radium treatments, it was announced.

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Personally Speaking

All we know is what we hear and what we hear will appear in these columns. If you have done anything or gone anywhere or know of anyone who has—let us know. . . .

—The Editors

DR. R. C. PIGFORD has had quite a round with the flu but he was able to be out for the last meeting and is now back on the job. DR. F. L. UNDERWOOD also has been laid up with the flu. As has been DR. K. C. REESE. DR. J. C. BROGDEN'S wife is back home from the hospital. Mrs. R. G. Sherwood and her son, Fred, left the last of the month for Beatrice, Nebraska, to attend the funeral services for Mrs. Sherwood's mother, Mrs. W. A. Mulligan.

We have a new psychiatrist locating in Tulsa with offices in the National Mutual Building. DR. MORRIS D. SPOTTSWOOD comes here from Hartford, Conn., and was a guest of DR. NED R. SMITH at the dinner for DR. OTTO JASON DIXON last week and later was a guest at the Medical Society Meeting.

Doctors almost made it a clean sweep in winning four of the five gobblers awarded as prizes in the Oakhurst Country Club Turkey Sweepstakes held just before Thanksgiving. Doctors winning were DR. FRED BOLTON, DR. JAMES STEVENSON, DR. G. H. MEYERS AND DR. GEORGE OSBORN.

DR. LUVERN HAYS spent a few days last month in Memphis. Our girl Friday reports that a large number of physicians are ardent football fans and lists DR. MARVIN D. HENLEY, DR. RURIC SMITH, DR. W. A. DEAN, DR. R. B. WITCHER, DR. ROY L. SMITH, DR. F. W. HENDERSON, DR. RALPH MCGILL and others out at recent games.

DR. S. C. VENABLE'S wife is very ill in the hospital recently.

DR. M. O. HART recently returned from Vanderbilt University where he

has been taking a post-graduate course in Syphilology. DR. V. K. ALLEN spent a week last month in Louisville, Kentucky, attending the Southern Medical Meeting. DR. MARGARET G. HUDSON was out of the office vacationing the latter part of November. DR. KARL L. BERGENER has his offices with DR. J. C. BRASWELL in 1109 Medical Arts Building.

DR. ROY L. SMITH has been doing a whole lot of duck and quail hunting lately and talks about the limit of this and the limit of that, but we haven't had a bird this fall. DR. R. K. GODDARD of Skiatook is mixing in plenty of bird shooting with his practice. Also, DR. BUNN HARRIS is never in his office on "open" days.

DR. JAMES STEVENSON has been spending about half his time visiting neighboring Medical Societies and working at his duties as State Councilor.

DR. JAMES D. MARKLAND, DR. W. A. SHOWMAN and DR. WALTER S. LARRABEE are died in the wool hockey fans. DR. MARKLAND passes up an evening of bridge any time to go down and watch the Ice Oilers lose a game. DR. RALPH MCGILL and DR. HARRY GREEN are listed as wrestling enthusiasts.

DR. ARTHUR H. DAVIS was certified by the Board of Otolaryngology at the recent meeting held in Cleveland.

Our "Girl Friday" is always anxious to get more personal notices for this column. It seems that Doctors are always doing something and should have their names pasted on this page. The editors would appreciate it if you would call the executive offices any time you know anything of interest.



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CONTINUE PNEUMONIA CONTROL PROGRAM

The Oklahoma State Health Department, with the co-operation of the Tulsa County Medical Society and the Department of Bacteriology of the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, takes pleasure in announcing that funds have been obtained to continue the program in Tulsa designed to aid the medical profession in reducing pneumonia mortality.

Laboratory services will be placed at the physicians' disposal to enable them to make more prompt and accurate diagnosis. Specific drugs and type specific area will also be furnished. These facilities are available without cost to those patients who are unable to pay for them and unable to obtain them from other sources. The physician's request for the services and medicaments will be accepted as indicating that the patient is entitled to receive them.

Two clinical laboratories which meet the standards of the Tulsa County Medical Society and the State Health Department have been designated as pneumonia control stations. They are: Dr. I. A. Nelson's Laboratory, Medical Arts Building, and the Medical Arts Laboratory, Medical Arts Building. They will perform certain essential laboratory examinations without cost to the patient and will serve as depots for the pneumonia control kits and sera. These kits will have containers for specimens for typing, blood culture, blood counts, urinalysis, and a supply of sulfapyridine.

It is suggested that all physicians in Tulsa and vicinity who treat pneumonia obtain a kit from one of the above laboratories at the earliest opportunity

By ALLEN C. KRAMER, M.D.

The Communicable Disease Control Program shows: Field Visits, 27; diphtheria cultures, 18; immunizations, 398, including smallpox, 112; diphtheria, 230; typhoid, 56.

Contagious diseases reported were as follows: Chickenpox, 2; diphtheria, 2; gonorrhoea, 5; influenza, 4; malaria, 1; pneumonia, 4; scarlet fever, 2; syphilis, 4; tuberculosis, 1; typhoid fever, 1; whooping cough, 1; mumps, 16.

The program for Infant and Pre-school Hygiene was carried out reporting as follows: Child Health Conferences, 11; Lectures, 2, with an attendance of 76.

School Hygiene reports 686 inspections by nurses; 38 examinations by physician; 87 interviews with teachers; 2 lectures.

so that when a pneumonia case occurs in their practice who is eligible for this service, the kit will be available immediately and the physician will not be delayed in obtaining containers in which to place the various specimens which he obtains at the bedside.

All specimens must be obtained by the physician and sent to the laboratory by him. No specimens will be collected in the home by the participating laboratories.

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At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Insurance Company, particular praise was given the members of the Tulsa County Medical Society for the manner in which they had been cooperating with the insurance company in working with various firms and companies seeking information about this type of coverage.

Attached is a partial list of firms which have taken out group policies to date:

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And with this in view, may I make my appeal that as the majority of the assistants have approved our work and are loyal and worthy members, I hope that I may do my bit to help a group that is essentially for my betterment.



RADIO SPEAKERS for November were: Doctors H. Lee Farris, J. L. Miner, A. L. Walters, H. Lee Farris and Marvin D. Henley.

RADIO SPEAKERS for December are: Doctors H. Lee Farris, R. M. Shepard, J. L. Miner, and Marvin D. Henley.

Women's Auxiliary

By MRS. E. O. JOHNSON

Every boy and girl in Tulsa hospitals Christmas will receive at least one new toy or book and possibly some other toys which have been repaired and repainted to look almost like new.

The Auxiliary to the Tulsa County Medical Society will have a toy shower at their luncheon meeting Tuesday (December 3, The toys will be distributed to the hospitals for the poor children Christmas eve by the chairman of the philanthropic committee, Mrs. George R. Russell, and her assistants, Mrs. L. C. Northrup, Mrs. H. W. Ford, Mrs. John Perry, Mrs. M. O. Nelson, Mrs. K. E. Swanson, Mrs. Horace H. Porter, Mrs. J. C. Peden, and Mrs. J. D. Markland.



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Dr. R. C. Pigford, president of the Tulsa County Medical Society will talk on Medical Military Preparedness. The meeting will be under the auspices of the Philanthropic committee.

Subscriptions to Hygeia will be given all Tulsa county schools by the Auxiliary to the Tulsa County Medical Society. The subscriptions will be for six months, beginning with the January issue.

This project is to be an annual one and after this year the subscriptions will be for nine months beginning with the September issue.

NURSES REGISTRY ANNUAL REPORT

Comparative annual report for the year, beginning October 1, 1939, and ending September 30th, 1940.

Description—	1939	1940
Average number of members.....	119	116
Number of members who left city.....	35	27
Number of cases cared for by reg.....	1,883	2,514
Number of days for the 2,514 cases.....		15,774
Home cases.....	245	333
Hospital cases.....	1,387	1,756
Hourly nursing calls.....	204	281
Out of town cases.....	41	49
Charity cases.....	8	36
Number of days for charity cases.....	14	53
Calls for floor duty.....	42	111
Calls for office relief.....	3	10
Lost calls.....		632
Number of cases for practical nurses.....	174	274
Number of days for practical nurses.....	1,924	1,967
Number of cases for male nurses.....	7	8
Number of days for male nurses.....	39	76

Remarks:

In addition to the foregoing reported activities of the Registry, three nurses were placed at the Tulsa County Farm. Four nurses at the Tulsa County Clinic. Seventeen days of floor duty was donated to the 1940 St. John's Hospital graduating class. Ninety-two nurses donated 556 hours to the Hall of Health.

In conclusion, the Registrars desires to express their sincere appreciation for the co-operation of the members of District Number 2, and of the Doctors. Also the Hospitals for the success that has been enjoyed during the year just closed.

Respectfully submitted,
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