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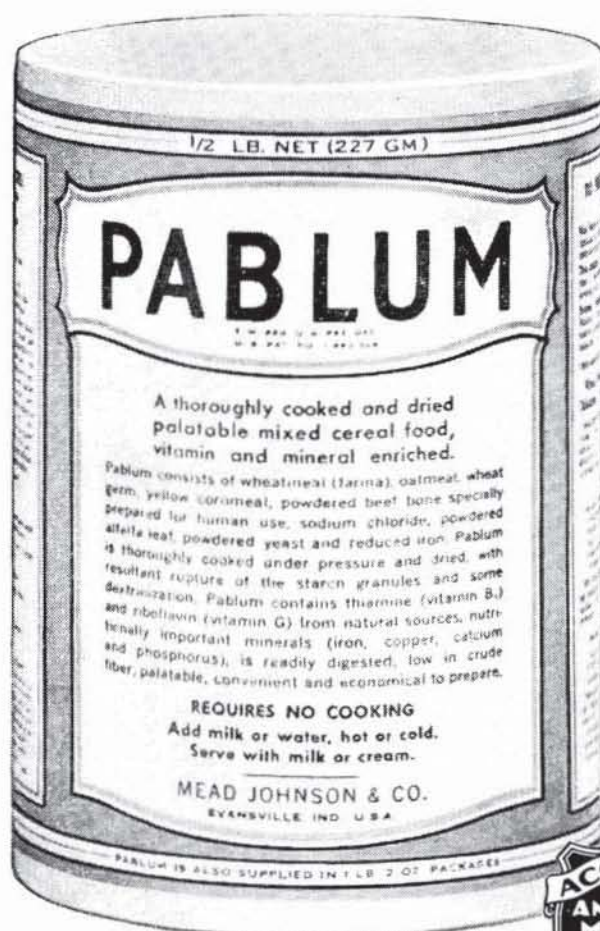
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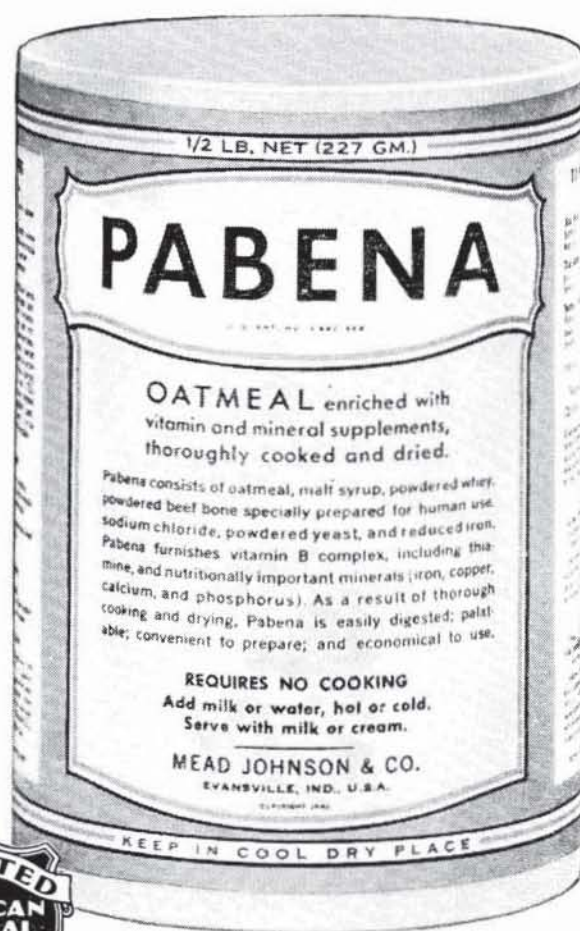
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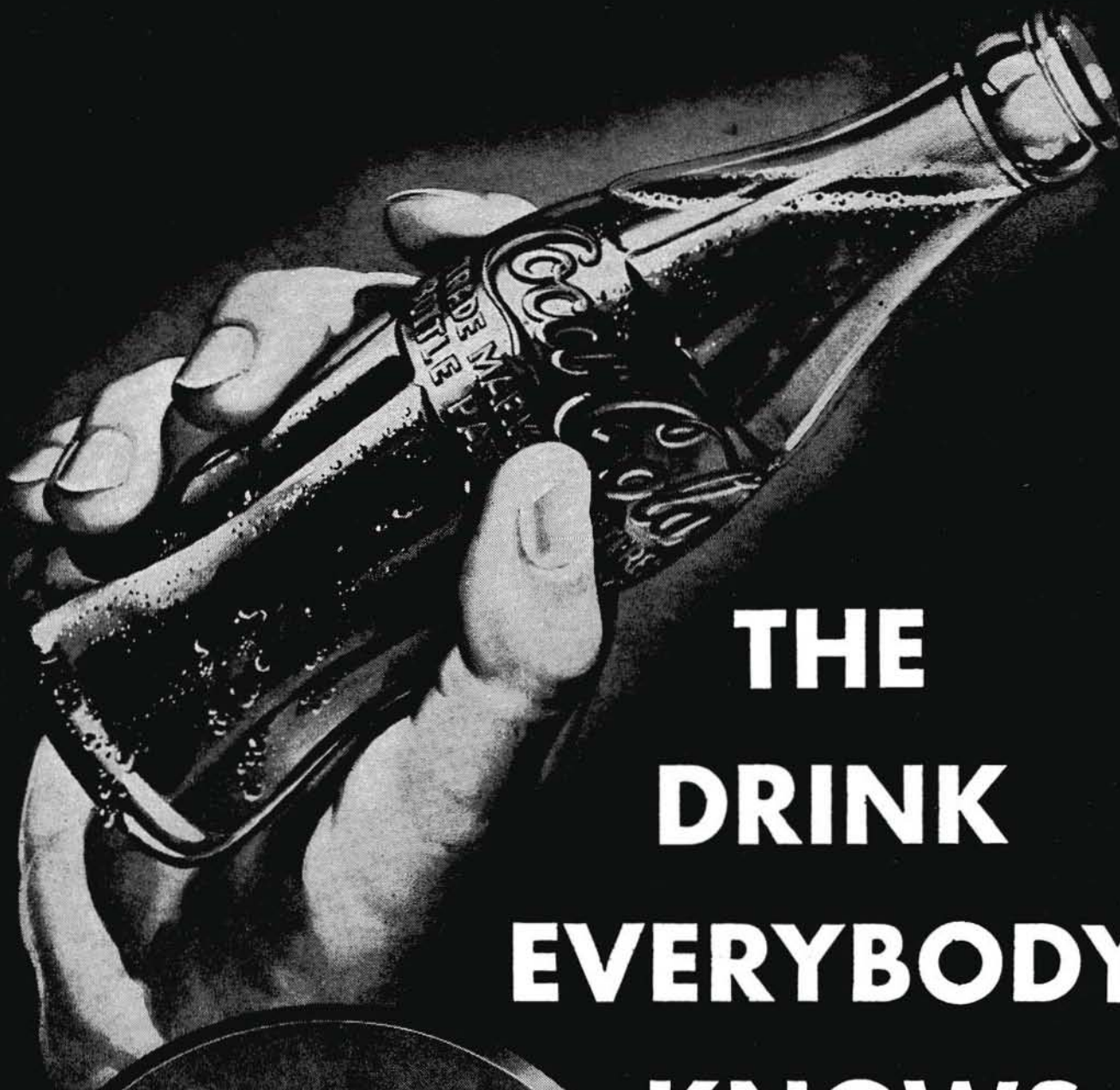
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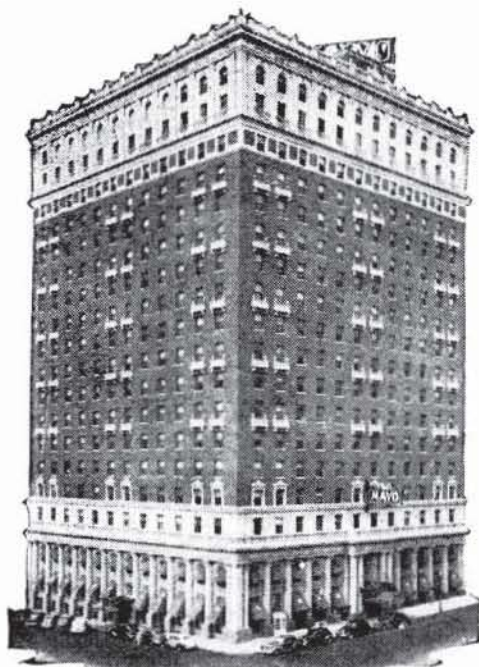
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## MEDICAL OFFICER QUOTA EXPECTED

Procurement and Assignment Anticipates Loss of Twenty-Five State Doctors to Services. Tulsa County May Expect to Contribute at Least Five Members to Meet 1943 Needs. Military Classifications Reprinted.

Unofficial reports reaching Oklahoma medical circles last month indicate that the state may expect the assignment of a medical officer quota of forty doctors within the next few weeks. If such a quota is assigned, Tulsa County will be expected to furnish not less than five physicians to the service.

While no official confirmation of the quota report has been received, the completion of the recent Procurement and Assignment questionnaire survey and the subsequent assignment of military service classifications to state doctors strongly indicates that further recruiting is likely.

The possible quota of forty doctors is comparatively small and against this figure will be applied a credit of fourteen Oklahoma physicians who have already entered the service this year. This means that on the basis of present reports the state will be required to furnish around 25 doctors to the medical units of the armed forces.

At present, the intention is to call into service all men who hold a 1-A local classification as assigned last month. There are six members of the Tulsa County Medical Society who hold such a classification. These doctors may reasonably expect to receive an invitation to apply for a commission. It is understood that many physical defects are now being waived as a requirement for commissioning in the army medical corps.

Reliable reports indicate that only 41 Oklahoma doctors are in the 1-A classification. If 25 new officers are required, this means that all of the men in 1-A shall probably be called with the exception of those who are barred by physical defects.

Tulsa County doctors should bear in mind that no quota has been assigned as yet. If recruiting improves in other areas where quotas are not being fulfilled, Oklahoma may not be assigned a quota at all for the current year. However, there is a strong possibility that the state will be opened to recruiting within a very few weeks.

What is the standing of doctors with classifications other than 1-A? Those with a basic classification of II may be invited to apply for a commission if the war is prolonged and if the need for medical officers continues. It is not likely, under present Procurement and Assignment plans, that any doctor in this basic group will be called into service within the current year. Everything depends upon the war situation in the future.

Doctors with a basic classification of III will probably not be invited to apply for a commission under any circumstance. These men are considered as essential men in the community or as being above a desirable age for service. Men in basic classification IV will not be accepted



under any circumstance as long as they remain in that group. Doctors who are in this classification are those who are retired, physically unable to serve as an officer, or who are guilty of professional and ethical shortcomings.

Tulsa County doctors are again advised that this information is unofficial. No plans should be made in lieu of an official announcement from Procurement and Assignment headquarters in Oklahoma City.

Many physicians and surgeons of Tulsa County have asked for a detailed list of classifications. This list was published in the April issue of *The Bulletin* and is published again below for convenience:

#### I. AVAILABLE

A. Potentially qualified for service, i.e., has not been rejected by Army:

1. Unmarried or married but not maintaining a home with wife and/or children. (Class 1A-1).

2. Married and maintaining a bona fide home with wife and/or children:

(a) Married with no children. (Class 1A-2(a)).

(b) Married with 1 child. (Class 1A-2(b)).

(c) Married with 2 children (Class 1A-2(c)).

Married with 3 or more children. (Class 1A-2(d)).

B. Not eligible, on account of age, physical disability, or other reason for service with the armed forces, but considered available for civilian medical services associated with the war effort. (Class 1B).

#### II. ESSENTIAL FOR LIMITED DURATION OR UNTIL A REPLACEMENT CAN BE SECURED:

A. For community medical care. (Class IIA).

B. For teaching or war research. (Class IIB).

C. For hospital service. (Class IIC).

D. For public health. (Class IID).

E. For industry. (Class IIE).

#### III. ESSENTIAL FOR UNLIMITED DURATION:

A. For community medical care. (Class IIIA).

B. For teaching or war research. (Class IIIB).

C. For hospital service. (Class IIIC).

D. For public health. (Class IIID).

E. For industry. (Class IIIE).

#### IV. NOT AVAILABLE FOR EITHER MILITARY OR EMERGENCY CIVILIAN SERVICES BECAUSE OF—

A. Physical disability or age. (Class IVA).

B. Ethical or professional shortcomings. (Class IVB).

C. Retirement or engagement in work not directly or indirectly connected with the profession. (Class IVC).

Tulsa doctors should bear in mind that applications for medical commissions are handled in a different manner than formerly. All army applicants should apply directly to the Eighth Service Command Officer Procurement Service, 1013 Santa Fe Building, Dallas, Texas. Navy applicants apply to Naval Officer Procurement, 217-227 Camp Street, New Orleans, La. Applicants must be certified as available by the Oklahoma City office of the Procurement and Assignment Service. When this has been done, commissions are placed in process. Do not apply directly to the Surgeon-General's office.

If and when a quota is assigned, doctors will be taken in their proper classifications and invitations to apply for a commission will be issued. It is reported that the proposed 1943 quota will cover only men in 1-A. All invitations should be returned if the applicant cares to accept a commission. The doctor will be cleared by Oklahoma City and the commission process instigated.

Doctors who do not accept a commission are certified to Selective Service headquarters as no longer possessing medical deferments. Such men are then liable to the operation of the Act and may be inducted into service as privates. There is no compulsion to accept a commission.

Further questions in this respect should be directed to the Executive Secretary, Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa.



## SOCIETY HALF-YEAR RECORD GOOD

**First Six Months of 1943 Show Continuance of Widespread Program of Activity by the Tulsa County Medical Society. Medical Credit Bureau and Library Continue Upward Swing.**

A review of the activities of the Tulsa County Medical Society for the first six months of 1943 indicates a continuation of the fine work of the previous administration by Dr. James C. Peden, president, and other officers and committee members.

Operation of the Medical Credit Bureau and the Medical Library continued on an upward plane as especially fine contributions were made by the Military Service and Fraudulent Practices committees.

The Medical Credit Bureau, official collection agency of the Tulsa County Medical Society, continued to gain steadily in number of clients and accounts. Collection figures reached a new monthly high in March when \$2,100 was recorded. This all-time record was achieved in a month when income taxes were making heavy inroads into the pocketbooks of patient-debtors. The Bureau noted increased use of the special collection fee of 20 per cent, which applies to all accounts under six months in age. All clients were paid promptly within five days after the close of each month, several receiving more than \$200.00 in single monthly checks. Credit for an efficient supervision is due Dr. A. W. Pigford and his two committee members, Dr. I. H. Nelson and Dr. H. Lee Farris.

The Medical Library continued to grow rapidly with the first six months of 1943 marked by an unusual number of new books and periodicals purchased through cash donations by members of the Tulsa County Medical Society. Bibliography files are now fairly complete and up-to-date. The library's endowment funds hit a new high as additional library income was derived through generous gifts from the Ladies Auxiliary and from interested laymen.

Tulsa doctors were further serviced through increased use of exchange privileges which the Medical Library enjoys with leading medical libraries over the country. Attractive surroundings continued to be an inducement for recreational reading by doctors. Dr. David V. Hudson, Dr. Joseph Fulcher, and Dr. J. C. Brogden are to be commended for the personal interest which they show in the library and thanks are also due the many other doctors who encourage this project.

One of the toughest jobs of the Society was handled competently by the Military Affairs Committee under the leadership of Dr. James L. Miner. Faced with the task of setting up and executing the Procurement and Assignment survey questionnaire in Tulsa County, the Committee effected a 100 per cent return on members of the Society with only a few laggards among outside doctors. Recommendations were made in an impartial manner in a re-classifying process which enabled Procurement and Assignment Service to properly determine the military service classifications issued last month. All individual cases under question were settled by the committee. In all cases, there was no further appeal indicating satisfaction with the committee's report. Much personal credit is due the Society's Procurement and Assignment representatives, Dr. W. Albert Cook as district chairman and Dr. James L. Miner as county chairman.

### **Frauds Face Prosecution**

The Fraudulent Practices Committee, directed by Dr. L. C. Northrup, secured the removal of one illegal practitioner from active "practice" of his arts—an indian herb doctor who preyed upon illiterate persons in the Sand Springs road area. Hampered by lack



of funds, the Committee drew up and secured introduction of a resolution before the House of Delegates designed to secure aid from the state reregistration fund. Although the resolution was defeated, the Committee is now constructing battle lines to force administration of the Annual Reregistration Act in accordance with its original objective. Further details of this program are available in the June issue of *The Bulletin*.

The Fraudulent Practices Committee, as *The Bulletin* went to press, was seeking authorization from the Board of Trustees for the enlargement of membership to five persons instead of three, and with an auxiliary advisory committee of five more Tulsa County doctors. Fraudulent practices in the county rose sharply with the chief offenders being unethical "specialists" in rectal and colonic disorders, eyes, and heart maladies. The Committee hopes, if possible through the use of state funds, to prosecute at least three of these individuals.

The *Bulletin*, official publication of the Tulsa County Medical Society, continued to be published each month. Advertising income was normal and steady. Dr. B. W. Ward entered his second year as chairman of the *Bulletin* Committee, assisted by Dr. Robert E. Funk and Dr. Philip Schreck. The *Bulletin's* policy of providing only medical and personal news as interpreted from the standpoint of the Tulsa doctor proved popular. Among more notable articles were a history of the Blue Cross hospital plan in Oklahoma, a full explanation of the Procurement and Assignment Service system of recruiting medical officers, a two-part record of the Tulsa County Medical Society's part in the war, a history of malpractice insurance activity, a helpful analysis of 1942 income tax provisions, and complete reports of committee activities for the year preceding. Many other interesting and informative articles appeared. Among the new features introduced was a periodic section

devoted to men in service and a personalized news column.

#### **Insurance Committee Active**

Dr. V. K. Allen's insurance committee continued to be one of the most active and best organized committees of the Society. The local committee worked out a publicity program designed to further acquaint state doctors with the official malpractice policy, effected an agreement with insurance officials which will permit policies to be written on a three-year basis at a probable discount of ten per cent. These and other recommendations were presented to the Oklahoma State Medical Association at the annual meeting through the state committee, of which Dr. Allen is also chairman. The local group also continued to function in certifying Tulsa County physicians as eligible for the official policy. Much credit is due Dr. Allen and his associates, Dr. John Perry and Dr. J. S. Chalmers.

The Rationing Committee, headed by Dr. H. B. Stewart, arranged for a satisfactory method of handling diet rationing without further inconvenience to doctors. Details of this program appeared in the June issue of *The Bulletin*. Gasoline rationing renewals continued to be handled by the Executive Office and doctors were saved much valuable time in this respect. Rationing information was available as a part of the regular service of the Society. Credit is due Dr. Stewart, Dr. W. J. Trainor, Dr. M. V. Stanley, and Dr. H. A. Ruprecht.

Dr. Hugh Graham's Constitution & By-Laws Committee introduced two amendments to the By-Laws, both of which passed at the meeting of May 24. One ironed out a point in the transfer membership section which conflicted with the constitution of the Oklahoma State Medical Association. The second extended membership privileges to medical officers stationed within the county. Other committee members were Dr. O. C. Armstrong and Dr. M. O. Hart.

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**War Surgery, Principles and Practice** by J. Trueta, M.D., 1943. Donor, anonymous.  
**Holt's Diseases of Infancy and Childhood**, revised by L. Emmett Holt, Jr., M.D., and Rustin McIntosh, M.D., 1942. The gift of Dr. R. G. Sherwood.

### Reprints Received—

**Elective Painless Rapid Childbirth Anticipating Labor**, by Harry Koster, M.D., F.A.C.S. and Louis Perrotta, M.D. Experimental Medicine and Surgery, 1943.  
**Pre-Menopause Psychoses That Similate Involutional Psychoses** by Carl W. Sawyer, M.D., Marion, Ohio.  
**The Menace of "Silent" Ovarian Carcinoma** by H. S. Crossen, M.D., St. Louis, Missouri, J.A.M.A., 1942.

### Gifts of the Month—

Dr. J. Fred Bolton, **A Practice of Surgery**, Dean Lewis, M.D., Editor, complete in twelve volumes.  
Dr. S. Goodman, **The New England Journal of Medicine**, volumes 222-227 complete; current issues of the **Southern Medical Journal**.  
Dr. L. M. Piatt, **National Medical Monographs**, various authors, in twelve volumes, 1937.  
Anonymous Donor, **Injection Treatment of Hernia, Hydrocele, Ganglion, Hemorrhoids, Prostate Gland, Angioma, Varicocele, Varicose Veins, Bursae, and Joints**, by Penn Riddle, B.S., M.D., F.A.C.S., 1940.

## MEDICAL MOMENTS

Demerol, a new synthetic substance is apparently capable of replacing morphine and its derivatives to a certain extent, thus helping to relieve a possible future shortage of opiates. Demerol is not toxic even when given in large doses over a long period. Occasional side effects are observed and long continued use may be followed by undesirable symptoms on withdrawal. Hans Hecht, M.D., Paul H. Nolle, M.D. and F. F. Yonkman, M.D., Detroit, Michigan. **Proceedings of the Central Society for Clinical Research**, 1942. With the exception of cough and diarrhea, Demerol has been found to be a satisfactory substitute for morphine, but its prolonged use may lead to the development of habituation; however it appears to possess a lesser liability than morphine for the development of physical dependence. Robert C. Batterman, M.D. and C. K. Himmelsbach, M.D., Lexington, Kentucky. J.A.M.A., 1943.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Practically all of the journals for the latter half of 1942 have been returned from the bindery and are ready for circulation.

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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

It is perhaps too early for the members of the Tulsa County Medical Society to turn their attention to the problems which the return of peace will bring to our profession. Despite the encouragement of the victories of our troops in North Africa and Alaska, it is certain that the war is far from won and that many months, perhaps years, may elapse before peace is established. Yet, the medical profession must not make the mistake of reserving post-war planning to the actual post-war period. The dislocation of medical practices, the demoralizing inroads of state medicine during the war years, the personal problems of the medical officer who will someday return to civilian life, the effect of wartime economic conditions and the resulting postwar depression — all are problems which require deep thought and careful planning if the proper solution is to be made.

I want to suggest to you that each and every one of you make it a point to study the situation of organized medicine, to think about the local problems, and to offer your suggestions to the Tulsa County Medical Society as to the best method of post-war planning. Do not permit the difficulties of a heavy practice to blind you to this important need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. S. Peden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "J. S." and the last name "Peden" clearly distinguishable.

President.



# Medical Calendar

**THURSDAY, July 1st:**

Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society are reminded that second-half dues installments of \$17.00 are due and payable this date. Under the constitution all members who have not paid this installment by August 1 are suspended without action.

**SATURDAY, July 3rd:**

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 4:00 p.m.

**MONDAY, July 5th:**

The Executive Offices will be closed this date due to official holiday, Independence Day, falling on Sunday, July 4th. Regular staff meeting of Hillcrest Hospital is indefinite for this date due to holiday. Please check with hospital before making plans.

**FRIDAY, JULY 9th:**

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, 703 Medical Arts Building, 1:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, July 10th:**

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 4:00 p.m.

**MONDAY, July 12th:**

Members are reminded that scientific meetings of the Tulsa County Medical Society have been suspended for the summer months. No meeting this date.

**SATURDAY, July 17th:**

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 4:00 p.m.

Copy Deadline for August issue of The Bulletin.

**MONDAY, July 19th:**

St. John's Hospital Staff Meeting.

**TUESDAY, July 20th:**

Medical and Dental Office Assistants Meeting, Michaelis Cafeteria, 6:00 p.m. Program to be announced later.

**FRIDAY, July 23rd:**

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, 703 Medical Arts Building, 1:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, July 24th:**

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 4:00 p.m.

**MONDAY, July 26th:**

No scientific meeting on this date.

**SATURDAY, July 31st:**

Final date for payment of second-half dues installment.

Members who have not paid first-half dues installment by this date are dropped from membership.

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 4:00 p.m.

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## STATE MEDICINE KNOCKS

Several months ago the Oklahoma State Health Department submitted a proposal to the Tulsa County Medical Society and other county medical organizations whereby obstetrical and pediatric care could be provided without cost to the wives and children of non-commissioned service men. The plan, supported by federal funds and administered by the state health agency, permitted a complete course of pre-natal care and delivery of child and a small amount of pediatric care.

At that time, and after lengthy discussion, the Tulsa County Medical Society disapproved the proposal. The basis for the veto was extraordinarily low fees which penalized any obstetrician and pediatrician to the extent of providing the service at an absolute personal loss. In order that no mistaken interpretation could be made, the members of the Society agreed to provide this service without cost to any person who could not pay for it.

Despite the disapproval of the local society, the plan was placed into operation and considerable publicity was given to it. Much to the surprise of the medical profession of the state, no attempt was made to limit it to those patients who unquestionably could not pay for it. Instead, certain civic or-

ganizations proceeded to further publicize the matter and create the impression that every wife of a soldier was entitled to the benefits of the plan. While this is technically true, it was not the original intent of the proposal.

During the last six weeks our obstetricians have been flooded with requests for such treatment. In many cases it was demanded by irate patients. There has been considerable ill-will created toward the profession by the refusal of most doctors to accept patients under the provisions of the act.

Let us look at it from the point of view of the doctor. He must provide a complete course of pre-natal care and deliver the child for a fee of between \$25.00 and \$35.00. In most cases, such a fee does not pay the actual cost of care and delivery. It is approximately only a third of the fees usually charged for this type of medical care. The plan places the burden on the obstetrician and has the endangering effect of lowering regular civilian fees.

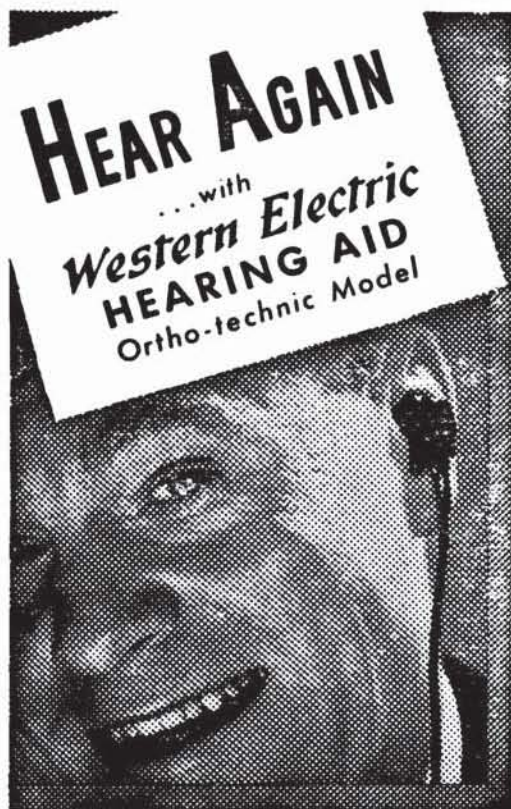
Obviously, there is nothing fair in this so far as the doctor is concerned. The doctor is not to be criticized for his refusal to participate. Rather, he is to be commended for not lending the dignity of the medical profession to a socially unsound proposition. The plan smacks of state medicine—of that there cannot be the slightest doubt. It encourages a portion of the public to look to the state for a service which should be self-provided.

The medical profession is not unaware of the sacrifices which our soldiers and sailors are making. It does not begrudge the giving of such service to the men. The entire objection lies in the below-cost fee schedules which are maintained. If the plan were legislative in character, it would be a violation of the basic constitutional rights.

Any person who would criticize the doctor for his refusal to participate must ask himself if an identical situation would not be created if the government asked the grocer to sell food to service men at cost or below cost, if the cobbler

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## OBSTETRICAL CARE PLAN GOES INTO OPERATION

Under the provisions of a new plan of the Oklahoma State Health Department, all wives of non-commissioned service men may receive free obstetrical care including all hospital and delivery costs.

Tulsa County obstetricians who participate in the plan receive from \$25.00 to \$35.00 for obstetrical services, the highest sum being paid for a complete course of prenatal care, delivery and examination of child. The delivery alone draws a fee of \$25.00.

Doctors must certify on prescribed forms that no additional charge is made of the patient. Applicants for such care must obtain proper forms from the Red Cross. Patients complete one side with the doctor completing the reverse side. The finished form is then mailed to the state health department. The doctor and patient are then notified if the case is accepted under the terms of the plan.

Doctors are not remunerated until the child has been delivered and a case record filed with the state health department. A minimum of pediatric care for children of service men is also available.

Doctors are under no compulsion to participate in the plan. The proposal was originally disapproved by the Tulsa

County Medical Society when presented last fall.

## MEMBERS URGED TO REPORT V. D. CASES PROMPTLY

A resolution approved by the Board of Trustees of the Tulsa County Medical Society last month urges all members to comply with the terms of the law by reporting all cases venereal disease promptly to the United States Public Health Service.

Dr. David V. Hudson, director of the Tulsa Cooperative Clinic, warned that failure to report is a violation of law. Inadequate reporting complicates proper treatment of syphilis and gonorrhea and serves to make recording of venereal disease statistics almost impossible.

Reporting forms are available in the Executive Offices, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa. No postage is required for returning forms as franked envelopes are provided. Doctors are reminded as well that drugs are available without cost for treatment of properly reported patients.

## FIVE JOIN UNDER SERVICE MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES

Five army and navy medical corps officers now attached to the Armed Forces Induction Station of Tulsa are the first to avail themselves of the new service memberships in the Tulsa County Medical Society as provided by a recent constitutional amendment.

The officers are Major P. A. Reitz, Captain Clyde J. Barker, Lt. Clarence S. Hoekstra, Lt. Louis L. Weiss, and Lt. (s.g.) E. F. Baker.

The new constitutional provision grants complete membership privileges except the vote to all medical corps officers stationed within Tulsa County for the duration of their service within the county. No dues are charged. Any medical officer wishing to avail himself of this privilege should submit his name to the Executive Secretary, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa. Election is automatic when the applicant demonstrates evidence of having met the residence requirements.

### CLINIC REPORT May 19 - June 18

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Dermatology .....	22
Tumor .....	34
Tonsils .....	9
Obstetrics .....	4
Cardiac .....	8
Total .....	928



## Lay Medical Articles

Lay medical articles of interest to doctor and patient in recent lay publications include:

**"Brain Surgery."** By Maxine Davis. Good Housekeeping, June, p. 26. Notes on a new science of surgery.

**"Sulfa Debits and Credits."** Time, June 14, p. 46. The balance sheet on the wonder-working sulfa drugs.

**"Exploit Of A Pharmacist's Mate."** By Paul Gallico. Esquire, July, p. 34. Surgery aboard a hard-fighting submarine.

**"How I Treat Infantile Paralysis."** By Sister Kenny. Coronet, June, p. 32. The founder of the Kenny treatment for polio lists her principles.

**"Child Dipsomaniacs."** Time, June 14, p. 48. Hard-drinking among infants and the results on later life.

**"Husband Shortage."** By Amram Scheinfeld. Colliers, June 26, p. 14. Can sex be determined in advance by medical methods?

**"How To Live In Bed."** By Marshall Sprague. Coronet, June, p. 71. Sound and humorous advice for the bed-ridden.

**"Penicillin's Progress."** Time, June 7, p. 68. The newest wonder drug finds a valuable use in surgery, among other things.

**"Safety Valve For Shell Shock."** By Edith Stern. Coronet, June, p. 19. Medicine seeks a way to prevent shell shock among fighting troops.

**"The Menopause."** By Maxine Davis. Good Housekeeping, July, p. 30. Sound advice on a feminine problem.

**"Prophylactic Pill."** By Hannah Lees. Colliers, June 5, p. 16. Sulfathiazole finds a new place in American medicine.

**"Healthy Is As Healthy Thinks."** By Arthur H. Steinhaus. Coronet, June, p. 19. Debunking a lot of medical superstitions.

**"New Drug For Epilepsy."** Time,

### **\$4.00 SERVICE FEE NOT CANCELLED UNTIL 1944**

The Oklahoma State Medical Association has advised the Tulsa County Medical Society that the cancellation of the annual service dues of \$4.00 will not become effective until next year. A ruling of the Board of Councillors provides that all members now in service who do not pay the \$4.00 fee this year will not be carried as members next year.

This means that all doctors now in service who have not paid the \$4.00 fee this year must do so at once or else be dropped from the membership rolls. The cancellation of the 1944 dues applies only to the men who pay this year.

Service members who are dropped in this manner must make a new application for membership in the State Association when they return to active practice. Previous notices that the \$4.00 fee has been discontinued should be ignored.

Mail your check to the Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

May 31, p. 36. A new and valuable drug joins the list of drugs used in treatment of a serious disease—its called dl-glutamic acid hydrochloride.

**"How Modern Medicine Types You."** By Gretta Palmer. Cosmopolitan, July, p. 48. Scientific typing of patients permits better diagnosis and treatment.

**"The Camera Fights A Killer."** By Hermann B. Deutsch. Saturday Evening Post, May 29, p. 24. The X-Ray and tuberculosis.

**"The Able Disabled."** Time, June 21, p. 36. Medicine enables the use of the partially disabled in American defense plants.

**"Keep Up With Medicine."** Good Housekeeping, July, 6. 184. A new sulfa drug for science.

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## PERSONALS

LT. COM. R. C. PIGFORD was a recent visitor in Tulsa enroute to a new assignment at the United States Naval Base at San Diego, California.

DR. THEODORE WILLIAMS, 214 Medical Arts Building, has been elected to membership in the Tulsa County Medical Society.

DR. GEORGE OSBORN has been named chairman of the Medical Economics Committee, succeeding DR. JAMES STEVENSON, who resigned because of press of duties as president of the Oklahoma State Medical Association.

LT. COM. RICHARD B. FORD reports that the navy medical units in the South Seas are doing a wonderful job. His address is now Commander Fleet Air Wing Two, % Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California.

LT. J. D. SHIPP reports his address at 335th Bomb Group, 477th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

DR. H. B. STEWART attended a meeting of the governing board of the American Board of Anesthesiology at Chicago last month.

Seen at the Jeanette MacDonald concert of June 5th at Convention Hall were DR. W. J. BRYAN, DR. FRANK NELSON, DR. FRED E. WOODSON, and DR. O. C. ARMSTRONG.

LT. R. G. RAY is now stationed at Terminal Island, Roosevelt Base, San Pedro, California.

CAPTAIN E. G. WOLFF reports his address as Oliver General Hospital, Savannah, Georgia.

## COMMITTEE URGES RETURN OF VENEREAL QUESTIONNAIRE

All members of the Tulsa County Medical Society are urged to return the Medical Economics Committee questionnaire promptly to the Executive Offices, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa. The purpose of this questionnaire is to determine which doctors are willing to provide treatment for venereal disease at sub-standard fees in order that the Tulsa Cooperative Clinic may refer patients for private treatment. Dr. D. V. Hudson, director of the Clinic, has indicated that a certain portion of the patients at the Clinic are able to pay sub-standard fees and are willing to do so. Each doctor who desires to provide such treatment should indicate his minimum price per treatment. Failure to return the questionnaire indicates that such service is not being provided.

Members of the Medical Economics Committee who devised the questionnaire were Dr. George Osborn, chairman, Dr. James Stevenson, and Dr. D. J. Underwood.



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### WITHHOLDING TAX LEVY EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST

All doctors are warned that a withholding levy on employee's salaries must be placed in effect July 1 under terms of recent federal legislation. Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society who desire information as to withholding details should consult the Executive Secretary, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa.

Funds withheld from employee's periodic salary are applied on current income taxes and must be remitted to the collector of internal revenue each quarter. The first payment is due September 15, 1943. At that time all doctors must file an estimate of their 1943 income tax and remit one-fourth of that amount each quarter. This does not apply to doctors whose income is derived from wages and salaries since monthly deductions will be made from pay checks.

The act provides for withholding of 20 per cent of the net paycheck after allowances have been made for dependents. Of this sum, 17 per cent is applicable to income taxes and 3 per cent to the Victory Tax. Doctors are also reminded that Social Security deductions are in addition to this withholding levy.

A complete article on the provisions of the new law will be published in the August issue of *The Bulletin*.

### DR. JOEL S. HOOPER NAMED HONORARY SOCIETY MEMBER

Dr. Joel Samuels Hooper, veteran Tulsa doctor, has been accorded the privilege of honorary membership in the Tulsa County Medical Society following action at the regular meeting of May 24. The honor came in appreciation of Dr. Hooper's 27 years of service as a valuable member of the Society. Now residing at 1645 S. Boston, he has been retired from active practice for the last few months.

Dr. Hooper's letter of acceptance follows: "Fellow Medicos: It is hard for me to express the depth of gratitude I feel for the courtesy extended to me as Honorary Member of the Tulsa County

Medical Society. Your friendship and cooperation during my 27 years in Tulsa have been most enjoyed and appreciated. With best personal wishes to those whom I have closely known, and the Tulsa County Medical Society as a whole, I wish continued success. Gratefully, Joel Samuels Hooper, M. D."

Dr. Hooper is the fourth honorary member named this year. Others recently selected were Dr. J. L. Reynolds, Dr. W. W. Beasley, and Dr. G. H. Hall.

The Executive Offices will be closed Monday, July 5, to provide employees with a compensatory holiday for Independence Day, which falls on Sunday.

Gasoline rationing forms are available at the Executive Offices for any member of the Tulsa County Medical Society.

### DUES NOW PAYABLE

All doctors who remit their dues on a semi-annual basis are reminded that the second installment of \$17.00 is now due and payable. Members have until Monday, August 2, to make payment before becoming delinquent. Checks may be sent to the Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, or to Dr. E. O. Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer, 209 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa. Members who do not pay by the prescribed date are suspended without action.

### NOTICE

The August issue of *The Bulletin* will carry the annual roster of the Tulsa County Medical Society. All members who anticipate a change in their present address within the next six weeks should notify the Executive Offices of their new locations. Members in service should notify of any change in assignment. Service addresses will be the last such address on file. Telephone 4-8161, or address Executive Secretary, Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, Oklahoma.



## SOCIETY REVIEWS PROGRESS

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Dr. F. L. Flack's Industrial Medicine Committee had charge of local arrangements for the valuable one-day clinic, the Institute of Wartime Industrial Health, presented in Tulsa last March. Through the Committee's efforts, an excellent attendance was obtained for the industrial medicine meet.

### Financial Situation Sound

Society finances continued strong despite depleted incomes due to loss of members to armed services, decline in advertising revenues, etc. During the six-month period the Tulsa County Medical Society had almost doubled its financial strength over year-end figures. A program of economy continued in effect in the Executive Offices in an effort to provide a substantial reserve to meet inevitable declines in income as more members enter service.

Regular scientific meetings were not as frequent as formerly due to difficulties experienced in obtaining out-of-town speakers. However, Dr. H. A. Ruprecht's Program Committee performed capably in arranging programs of local interest. Program headliners included Dr. U. J. Wile, University of Michigan dermatologist, Dr. A. H. Ungerman, Dr. Ian MacKenzie, Dr. D. L. Mishler, Dr. M. J. Searle, Dr. H. B. Stewart, Dr. D. W. LeMaster, Dr. R. M. Adams, Dr. George R. Russell, and Major Edward Rieff. Motion pictures and symposia balanced regular presentation of scientific papers.

Dr. A. Ray Wiley's Civic Relations Committee fought a losing fight for the passage of an immunization bill by the Oklahoma legislature, but immediately commenced with its associates to pave the way for reintroduction of the bill. The Civic Relations Committee also joined with the Tulsa Council of Social Agencies in an impartial survey of Tulsa health facilities and conditions. Committee members included Dr. Wiley, Dr. J. J. Billington, Dr. D. W. LeMaster, Dr. R. M. Adams, Dr. Mabel Hart, and Dr. David V. Hudson.

### Clinic Leadership Excellent

Operation of the Tulsa County Clinic by the Society continued without incident under the capable leadership of Dr. R. A. McGill and Clinic Committee members. The Publicity Committee assisted in publicizing a number of medical functions of interest to the public and fortunately averted some unfavorable publicity in connection with the spinal meningitis scare.

The Medical Economics Committee considered the proposed plan of the Tulsa Public Health Association in regard to employment of private nurses, deferring action until a more complete investigation of the proposal's merits could be made.

The Executive Office continued to serve as a clearing house for medical information and service to members. General public relations were handled through the offices as well as administration of all committee and executive work schedules.

Compared with past administrations, the 1943 program of work shaped up very well in comparison. Plans for the second six months were already in progress as the Society entered July.

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were asked to provide shoes to service men at below cost, or if the clothier were asked to sell clothes at cost or below. The situations are identical.

Finally, no one can deny the doctor's gratitude to the soldier. That is demonstrated by the hours of time devoted to the care of their families without any hope of recompense. Men of medicine have taken their place beside the soldier on the battlefield.

The public must be made to realize that medicine is on a cost-basis as in any other profession or industry. For that reason, the doctor must not be criticized for his refusal to participate in a plan which penalizes him and burdens him, which removes a normal avenue of properly entitled income, and for which he receives no thanks whatsoever.

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