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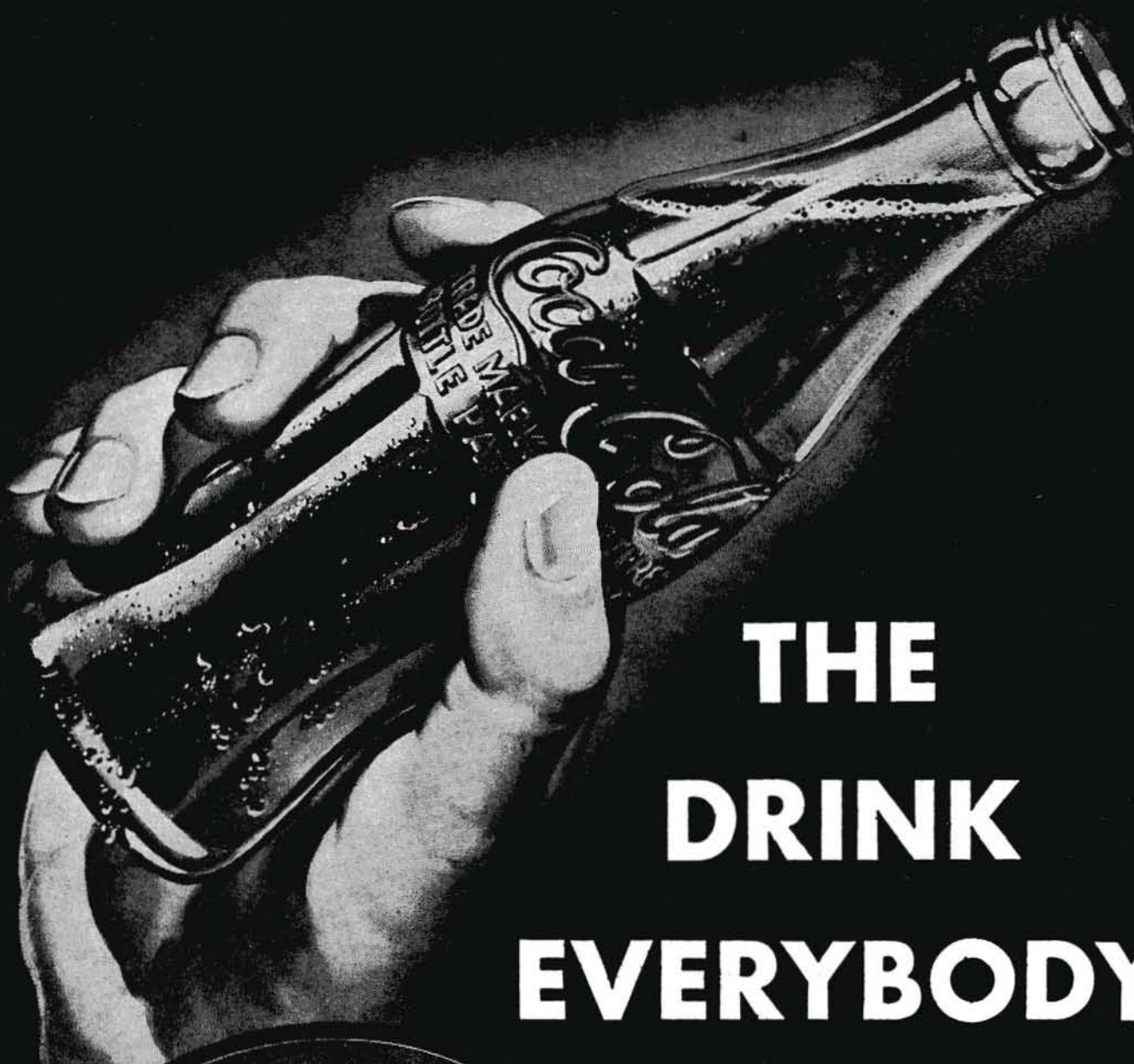
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### RUPRECHT NAMED PRESIDENT-ELECT

Dr. Ralph A. McGill Assumes Office As President  
 As Society Names Dr. W. A. Showman and Dr.  
 James C. Peden To Board of Trustees. Election  
 Is Quiet as Group Hears Reports of Eighteen  
 Standing and Special Committees.

Dr. Homer A. Ruprecht, prominent Tulsa heart specialist, was named President-Elect of the Tulsa County Medical in a quiet election at the annual business meeting of December 13 at the Mayo Hotel, Tulsa. He will serve in 1945, succeeding Dr. Ralph A. McGill, who assumed his presidential duties on January 1.

The new President-Elect has been active in Society activities for several years, serving most recently as Program Chairman and as Vice-President during 1943. He is associated with Springer Clinic at 604 South Cincinnati, Tulsa.

Dr. John C. Perry, serving as a trustee at present, was given the additional duties of Vice-President. Dr. E. O. Johnson was again re-elected as Secretary-Treasurer for the second time. Mr. Jack Spears continues as Executive Secretary.

Dr. W. A. Showman was elevated to the Board of Trustees, replacing Dr. W. S. Larrabee, who is retiring from the Board after several years of activity. The outgoing president, Dr. James C. Peden, was named to succeed Dr. Ned R. Smith, resigned, for the balance of Dr. Smith's

unexpired term of office as Trustee.

Succeeding Dr. V. K. Allen on the Board of Censors is Dr. Ian MacKenzie. New delegates to the House of Delegates of the Oklahoma State Medical Association are Dr. W. S. Larrabee and Dr. H. B. Stewart. Dr. Larrabee succeeds himself for a second five-year term of office.

Alternate delegates for the year are: Dr. M. V. Stanley, Dr. W. A. Walker, Dr. J. J. Billington, Dr. James L. Miner, Dr. Henry S. Browne, Dr. R. W. Dunlap, Dr. D. J. Underwood, and Dr. Hugh Evans.

The election was comparatively quiet with several elections going uncontested.

Preceding the elections were annual committee reports delivered by committee chairmen of eighteen special and standing committee groups. All reports were accepted as delivered by the membership.

The retiring president, Dr. James C. Peden, expressed his appreciation to the membership for their cooperation during 1943 and paid tribute to other officers and trustees who assisted in prosecuting the year's program of work.



Dr. H. A. Ruprecht  
President-Elect



Dr. R. A. McGill  
President





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Trustee



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## 1943 SOCIETY RECORD EXCELLENT

**Committee Reports Indicate Widespread Program of Activity For the Tulsa County Medical Society. Substantial Surplus Gives Group Best Financial Standing in History.**

Annual reports of eighteen standing and special committees, all combining to indicate a widespread and progressive program of activity, brought to a successful close Dr. James C. Peden's administration of the Tulsa County Medical Society during 1943.

As the Society ended its thirty-seventh fiscal year, organizational activity was at a high level with only one committee failing to report. An analysis of the committee reports presented at the annual business meeting of December 13 indicates the following highpoints:

A strong financial condition as the Tulsa County Medical Society ended the year free of debt and with a cash surplus of \$5,000.00 on deposit at a Tulsa bank. This compares with a surplus of \$3,000.00 last year and with a negative balance at the end of 1941 when the Society was slightly in debt.

Collections for the Medical Credit Bureau hit a new yearly high, doubling the figures of two years ago, as the number of new clients rose steadily through the year.

Recommendations of the Fraudulent Practices Committee for enforcement of the Annual Reregistration Act or its repeal were heard as the Committee noted an increase in the number of medical frauds "practicing" in Tulsa County.

A record year for The Medical Library from the point of gifts received and services rendered with a corresponding increase in patronage.

Harmonious operation of the Tulsa County Clinic by the Society with a minimum of political disturbances.

Continued fine work by the Insurance Committee in promoting the sale of the malpractice insurance and in cooperative efforts with the Blue Cross Plan, Group Hospital Service of Oklahoma.

Beneficial changes in the typographic and editorial structure of the Bulletin

with emphasis on articles of local news value.

A brief summary of each committee report follows:

### **Bulletin Committee**

The Bulletin, official publication of the Tulsa County Medical Society, continued to be published each month. As in the past, no scientific articles were printed. Features of general medical interest, coupled with an aggressive and responsible editorial policy, brought about several beneficial improvements in the magazine. Among the special articles to appear during the year were a series dealing with post-war economic conditions in the profession, analyses of the pending Wagner-Murray Bill, war medicine briefs, and many others. Such standard features as the President's Page, Lay Medical Articles, and the Medical Library continued to appear each month.

Elimination of heavy type faces and adoption of a conservative typographic make-up gave The Bulletin a dignity in keeping with the profession which it represents.

All expenses of publication were paid through sales of advertising. The latter remained steady through the year, enabling The Bulletin to pay an average net profit of \$100.00 monthly into the Society treasury.

Committee members included Dr. B. W. Ward, chairman, Dr. Philip Schreck, and Dr. Robert E. Funk.

### **Civic Relations Committee**

Dr. A. Ray Wiley's Civic Relations Committee cooperated with the Tulsa Council of Social Agencies in the preparation of an extensive analysis of Tulsa health facilities. In addition, it completed a project providing for proper medical examinations for members of Tulsa youth organizations at a nominal cost. A third activity was the Committee's cooperation with the War Man-



power Commission and other federal agencies in improving and analyzing housing and health facilities for defense workers in the area.

In addition to Dr. Wiley, other committeemen were Dr. Allen C. Kramer and Dr. W. A. Dean.

#### **Clinic Committee**

The Tulsa County Clinic at 602 S. Cheyenne was operated throughout the year under the sponsorship of the Tulsa County Medical Society. Medical services were provided without charge by members at an estimated savings of \$35,000 annually to Tulsa taxpayers.

Attendance at the Clinic declined sharply to reach a low of 10,500 calls or visits. This drop is attributed to improved financial conditions of former patients, to the improved condition of chronic and aged patients, and to a slight change in the general character of the indigent population of the county.

Political disturbances were happily absent with only one controversy which was quickly and amicably settled.

The Committee commends the efficiency of the employed personnel and thanks those doctors who contributed so generously of their time and skill.

Committee members were Dr. Ralph A. McGill, chairman, Dr. James D. Markland, and Dr. P. P. Nesbitt.

#### **Constitution and By-Laws Committee**

Two amendments to the constitution and by-laws of the Tulsa County Medical Society were introduced during 1943. One served to bring transfer members before the Board of Censors for review before approval of their application to transfer, and a second conferred membership privileges upon army and navy medical corps personnel stationed within Tulsa County for the duration of their tour of duty in this area.

Committee members who prepared these amendments and successfully secured their passage were Dr. Hugh C. Graham, chairman, Dr. O. C. Armstrong, and Dr. M. O. Hart.

#### **Credit Bureau Committee**

The Medical Credit Bureau, official collection agency of the Tulsa County

Medical Society, achieved a record all-time high collection figure for the year. A substantial increase in the number of clients and accounts served was indicative of the restored confidence of the membership in the Bureau. At the end of 1943, the Bureau was serving 75 per cent of the Tulsa County medical profession.

This record increase in collections, 200 per cent over a similar period two years ago, may be attributed to the efficiency of the Bureau personnel, to generally improved economic conditions, and to confidence of the patient-debtor in the Bureau's integrity.

All expenses of operation were paid by the Bureau and the sum of \$1,200 was returned to the Tulsa County Medical Society to compensate for the supervisory services of the Executive Secretary.

The average collection fee charge was 34 per cent with an increasing number of clients making use of the special rate of 20 per cent for accounts under six months of age.

Dr. A. W. Pigford, chairman, Dr. I. H. Nelson, and Dr. H. L. Farris comprised the extremely active Credit Bureau Committee.

#### **Ethics Committee**

The Ethics Committee is pleased to report that no cases involving violation of professional ethics by members was officially called to its attention, and accordingly commends the membership for its good behavior.

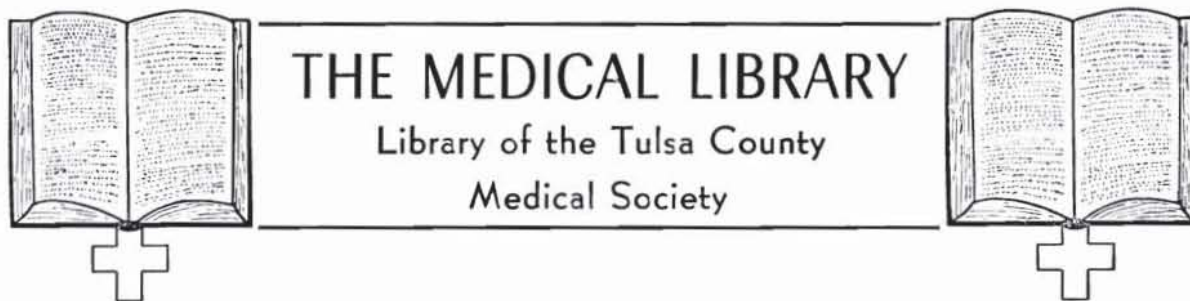
Committee members serving were Dr. Frank J. Nelson, chairman, Dr. Malcolm McKellar, and Dr. J. J. Billington.

#### **Finance Committee**

Continuing a program of economy in the Executive Offices, the Tulsa County Medical Society ended the year in a sound financial condition with a net cash surplus of \$5,000.00. There is no indebtedness of any character. The annual budget for 1944 was drawn up by the Finance Committee and is now before the membership for approval. It is expected that expenses of operation will

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## CURRENT MEDICAL LITERATURE IN REVIEW

### INTERNAL MEDICINE — FRANK J. NELSON, M. D.

Hypertension is defined as that condition in which the blood pressure constantly remains above 140 systolic and 90 diastolic. The present available evidence indicates that this disease is due to increased peripheral arteriolar constriction, the chief cause for which is ascribed by some authorities, to a circulatory pressor substance elaborated by ischemic kidneys. Clinically, it would seem appropriate to classify the diagnosis of hypertension according to etiology, pathology and physiology, the same as is done in heart diseases. Potassium sulfocyanate is the only (?) drug which seems to be of any definite value in actually reducing the blood pressure. It would seem that after about one year's use, the pressure again rises to its previous level, even though its initial effect may have been good. Surgical treatment is of value only in a few very highly selected cases among young individuals. General treatment consists of strict adherence to the rules of mental and physical hygiene, and symptomatic, by the use of anodynes and sedatives. This writer has made a rather complete resume of the present status of hypertension. Samuel Proger, M. D. *Medical Clinics of North America*, 27:357:1943.

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### DERMATOLOGY — W. A. SHOWMAN, M. D.

Diseases borne by the class Arachnida are well described, in this article by Obermayer, especially scabies, both to human and animal origin as well as the latest treatment. A short treatment of Rat Mite Dermatitis; Food Mite Dermatitis; Acrodermatitis (grain itch); Wood Tick "Bites," Trombidiosis (jigger bites) and Spider "Bites" as a refresher course in these common diseases. The diseases borne by the class Insecta, particular attention to the treatment of Pediculosis, is emphasized. The importance of Flea "Bites" is stressed, because of their relation to such serious diseases as bubonic plague, exanthematous and murine typhus and various bacteria, tropical protozoa and worms. The entire article is of extreme practical value. M. E. Obermayer, M. D. *J. A. M. A.* 123:454:1943.

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### UROLOGY — JOSEPH FULCHER, M. D.

It is definitely known that certain organisms, when present in the urinary tract resist all attempts to eradicate them. There is likewise definite inorganic deposits laid down, such as in incrustated cystitis, phosphate and carbonate stones. When any of these conditions occur in a poor operative risk there is now a chance to give this patient some relief by the use of a buffered solution of citric acid (Solution "G"); the process is of necessity a long drawn out one and requires the use of two-way indwelling catheters. This methods may be used with high vitamin A and acid ash diets. The use of a digestive enzyme to dissolve the organic matrix of the stone has not been worked out, as yet. Solution "G" itself does not harm the mucosa of the urinary tract. The use of prophylaxis to prevent future stone formations is important. D. J. Abramson, M. D. *Journal of Urology*, 50:197:1943.

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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The Tulsa County Medical Society is now entering the thirty-eighth fiscal year of its existence. Through the years, each succeeding regime has attempted to progress in some manner. The growth of the Society has been substantial and progressive through the efforts of the many capable physicians who have served as officers and workers. The activities of the Tulsa County Medical Society have been greatly expanded, particularly since the installation of the Executive Offices, and additional progressive projects are being constantly undertaken from time to time.

The Society's third war year promises to be filled with activity. The annual convention of the Oklahoma State Medical Association will meet in Tulsa in April, and much of the work of organizing this meeting will fall to local men. The new administration hopes to include many out-of-town speakers for its scientific programs. The Medical Credit Bureau and the Medical Library promise to enjoy their most successful year. Already, plans are under consideration to bring each of the eighteen standing committees into active operation.

This means that each member of the Tulsa County Medical Society must do his share in prosecuting the year's program of work. It means also that older members of the Society who have already contributed much time and effort to the organization in the past must do work which would normally be performed by the younger members now in service. In a word, it means *cooperation*.

Your officers are certain that every man will do his part in making 1944 another year of success and progress for the Tulsa County Medical Society.

Sincerely,



President.



# Medical Calendar

**SATURDAY, January 1st:**

The Executive Offices will be closed all day in observance of New Year's Day. Happy New Year!

**MONDAY, January 3rd:**

Annual membership dues of \$34.00 for 1944 are payable at the Executive Offices after this date. Members may pay in two installments of \$17.00 each, one in January and a second payment in July.  
Hillcrest Hospital Staff Meeting.

**FRIDAY, January 7th:**

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, 1:00 p. m.

**SATURDAY, January 8th:**

Last day to make reservations for the inaugural banquet.

**MONDAY, January 10th:**

Annual Inaugural Dinner, Basement, First Methodist Church, 6:30 p. m. Attendance limited to members of the Tulsa County Medical Society and invited guests. Speaker: Dr. Edward H. Cary, Dallas, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Physicians Committee. Dinner, \$1.25 per plate. Tickets should be secured in advance at the Executive Offices.

**SATURDAY, January 15th:**

Copy deadline for the February issue of The Bulletin.

**MONDAY, January 17th:**

St. John's Hospital staff Meeting.

**TUESDAY, January 18th:**

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

**FRIDAY, January 21st:**

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, 1:00 p. m.

**MONDAY, January 24th:**

No meeting of the Tulsa County Medical Society on this date unless members are otherwise notified by mail.

**FRIDAY, January 28th:**

Office Assistants Group, Blue Cross Hospital Insurance, are advised that quarterly premiums are due February 1.

**MONDAY, January 31st:**

Tulsa County Medical Society members are advised to check expiration dates of Gasoline "A" Books and renew if expiration date is February 1 or earlier.

# The BULLETIN

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## PENALTIES FOR PATRIOTISM

The reports reaching state medical circles that more and more Oklahoma physicians are to be required for service with the armed forces is not pleasant news. Like all war news, and like all the demands of war, the doctors of this state have received it philosophically and with a spirit of willingness to serve when the actual call comes.

However, the Tulsa County Medical Society cannot help but wonder if Oklahoma is to be drained dry of its medical manpower while other states are permitted to lag behind with a surplus of available doctors who are apparently unwilling to do their share in winning the war. During 1942, when recruiting of medical officers was at a fevered pitch of activity, Oklahoma faithfully fulfilled its quota and exceeded it by 35 per cent. For the same period, other states, particularly in the East, fell far short of their assigned quotas.

Oklahoma is not hesitant to supply its doctors, and there is not a member of the state medical profession who would not volunteer his services, but the state does object to being milked because of its patriotism while other states shirk their duties.

Of course, it must be realized that

the Procurement and Assignment Service must obtain its doctors from whatever sources are available. This is not meant to be a criticism of that organization necessarily but it is an indictment of the laggard states.

The Tulsa County Medical Society believes it is the duty of every state chairman of Procurement and Assignment Service to protect the interests of his state and to insist that a proper distribution among states be made in enlisting medical officers. Oklahoma, for instance, must not be penalized for the patriotism of its doctors. It is unnecessary that the public of this state go with inadequate medical care due to lack of doctors while other states enjoy such a surplus of doctors as to waste their skill through idleness.

Only in this manner can a fair and equitable distribution of American medical facilities be made.

## Buy Your Tickets Now!

Dr. Edward H. Cary, prominent Dallas physician and chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Physicians Committee, will be the guest speaker at the inaugural dinner meeting of the Tulsa County Medical Society on January 10, 6:30 p. m., at the First Methodist Church basement.

Members are urged to buy their tickets in advance at the Executive Offices as reservations must be taken. The price is \$1.25 per person. Attendance is limited to members and invited guests.

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**PERSONALS**

DR. L. C. NORTHRUP has returned from a week of study at the Presbyterian Medical Center, Department of Obstetrics, New York City, N. Y.

DR. HERBERT ORR, 1307 South Main, Tulsa, has his application for membership before the Society.

DR. and MRS. C. E. CALHOUN have been in New Orleans, Louisiana, since December 6, where Dr. Calhoun is taking post-graduate study at Tulane University.

DR. W. ALBERT COOK is visiting with his daughter in California.

DR. IAN MacKENZIE and DR. K. C. REESE were hosts at a luncheon for DR. E. J. PISCZYSK, visiting official of the National Foundation For Infantile Paralysis, at the Tulsa Country Club, December 7.

Seen at the performance of "Junior Miss" at Convention Hall were DR. C. A. PAVY, DR. R. B. WITCHER, DR. HENRY S. BROWNE, DR. MARCELLA STEEL, DR. DAVID V. HUDSON, and DR. H. A. RUPRECHT.

**HONORARY MEMBERSHIP TO DR. ALBERT W. ROTH**

Dr. Albert W. Roth, veteran Tulsa County physician and surgeon, was elected to honorary membership in the Tulsa County Medical Society at the annual business meeting of December 13, 1943.

The prominent ophthalmologist-otolaryngologist retired from active practice early last year. President of the Tulsa County Medical Society in 1917, Dr. Roth has held a number of other positions in local and state medical circles and has been most active in civic affairs.

Dr. and Mrs. Roth are now at their residence at 1616 South Peoria, Tulsa.

**DR. NED R. SMITH RESIGNS FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The resignation of Dr. Ned R. Smith from the Board of Trustees has been regretfully accepted by the membership of the Tulsa County Medical Society. The veteran psychiatrist, recuperating from a long illness, said in his letter of resignation that his health did not permit proper attention to his duties as Trustee.



Dr. Smith is a former president of the Tulsa County Medical Society and has served on the Board of Trustees for many years. In addition, he has held many offices in the state association and most recently has been an associate editor of the Journal of the Oklahoma State Medical Association.

A letter, accompanying the resignation, expressed Dr. Smith's appreciation to the Society for the remembrances during his illness.

Dr. James C. Peden has been elected to complete Dr. Smith's unexpired term of three years on the Board of Trustees.

**CLINIC REPORT**

**November 19-December 18**

Medicine .....	428
Surgery .....	57
Pediatrics .....	5
Rectal .....	19
Tonsils .....	13
Urology .....	8
Eye .....	32
Dental .....	44
Dermatology .....	14
Tumor .....	25
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## Lay Medical Articles

Medical articles of interest appearing in leading lay publications last month included:

"**Parenthood Is Possible**". By Evelyn Wells. *Coronet*, December, p. 23. Science makes child-bearing possible for women of brief periods of fertility.

"**Scalping Little Boys**". *Time*, December 13, p. 70. An epidemic of scalp ringworm makes its appearance in the United States.

"**Diabetes**". By Maxine Davis. *Good Housekeeping*, January, p. 22. Another in a fine series of medical analyses by a competent reporter.

"**Diasone And TB**". *Time*, December 6, p. 46. The new anti-tuberculosis drug seems to be helping some victims to get well.

"**Arthritis — Medicine's Stepchild**". By Jeannie Cameron. *Coronet*, December, p. 7. Analyzing medicine's indifference to a common complaint.

"**Cold Killer**". By J. D. Ratcliff. *Collier's*, December 11, p. 23. The new sulfa drugs may entirely eliminate colds in the future years, scientists believe.

"**Tuberculosis Survey**". *Life*, November 29, p. 49. A pictorial review of one high school's examinations for possible tuberculosis.

"**Pinta**". *Time*, December 6, p. 46. This syphilis-like disease from Latin America is making its appearance in the United States.

"**A Call For Nurse Cadets**". By Thomas Parran. *Coronet*, December, p. 23. The surgeon-general asks for more and more nurse cadets for war service.

"**Seasickness Pills**". *Time*, November 29, p. 88. The new seasickness compounds keep soldiers fit for battle.

"**Head Wounds**". *Time*, November 29, p. 90. Surgeon P. B. Byars of the British medical corps analyzes results of 516 head-wound cases.

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be higher in 1944, but that income will be sufficient to meet all costs without disturbing the present surplus.

Committee members are Dr. Hugh Perry, chairman, Dr. James L. Miner, and Dr. I. A. Nelson.

**Fraudulent Practices Committee**

Noting an increase in unethical physicians and diploma-mill doctors in Tulsa County during 1943, the Fraudulent Practices Committee succeeded in eliminating several undesirable "practitioners" through the cooperation of the Tulsa police and the Better Business Bureau.

This Committee caused to be introduced by the Tulsa delegation into the House of Delegates of the Oklahoma State Medical Association last May, a resolution asking for a sum of money from the Annual Reregistration Fund to be used in the prosecution of frauds in Tulsa County. This motion was tabled after a poor hearing of the facts and the use of the Fund thereby denied to the Tulsa County Medical Society.

The Fraudulent Practices Committee recommends in its annual report that the Society join hands with other large medical societies in the state to determine why the funds collected from each doctor (\$3.00 per year) under the terms of the Reregistration Act are not available for the purpose specified in the law. Should such investigation prove the law ineffective, the Society should ask for the repeal of the Annual Reregistration Act.

The complete report of this committee is to be published in the February issue of *The Bulletin*.

Committee members were Dr. L. C. Northrup, chairman, Dr. R. Q. Atchley, and Dr. W. H. Calhoun.

**Industrial Medicine Committee**

Dr. F. L. Flack's Industrial Medicine Committee served as a joint sponsor for the Institute on Wartime Industrial Health, a one-day conference of industrial medicine leaders held in Tulsa last March 18. The day-long program, devoted to scientific papers and reviews

of industrial medical economics, ended with an excellent banquet.

**Insurance Committee**

Continued promotion of the official London and Lancashire policy of malpractice insurance for physicians and surgeons was the major project of the Insurance Committee. The campaign to educate against the arising of such suits also continued, and additional contributions were made in the preparation of medical evidence to refute malpractice cases in the county. Cooperation with Group Hospital Service in hospitalization insurance matters continued as before.

Dr. V. K. Allen was committee chairman with Dr. J. D. Chalmers and Dr. J. C. Perry assisting.

**Legislative Committee**

Organization of opposition to the Senate Bill No. 1161 (Wagner-Murray Bill) among the lay public was the primary project of the Legislative Committee. Many thousand pieces of literature were distributed and a number of speakers against the bill were spotted before various civic gatherings. The Committee also undertook to discourage the undesirable Maternal Care Plan of the Oklahoma State Health Department. However, this latter bill is too much in public favor for the Committee's efforts to be of much value.

Dr. R. M. Shepard was committee chairman, assisted by Dr. A. B. Carney and Dr. L. C. Presson.

**Library Committee**

The Medical Library grew steadily through the year, recording a new high in the number of cash donations and gifts of books and periodicals. Patronage climbed as many new doctors learned of the growing value of the Library. Reductions in many cost items were made, partially through the generosity of several individuals and library patrons. Credit for the efficient operation of the Medical Library is due to the experienced Librarian and a very active committee including Dr. David V. Hudson, chairman, Dr. J. C. Brogden, and Dr. Joseph Fulcher.



### Medical Economics Committee

Preparation of a project to evaluate the bases of indigency for patients at federal, county and private charity institutions was the principal activity of the Medical Economics Committee. The results of this project were made available to such agencies.

Dr. George R. Osborn was chairman, with Dr. James Stevenson and Dr. D. J. Underwood assisting.

### Military Affairs Committee

The Military Affairs Committee continued to act as liaison officer for the Procurement & Assignment Service during the year, providing information relative to the local medical facilities and to potential medical officer candidates from this area.

Dr. Henry S. Browne, chairman, was assisted by Dr. C. C. Hoke, Dr. J. W. Rogers, Dr. W. Albert Cook, and Dr. J. F. Gorrell.

### Program Committee

Ten regular meetings of the Tulsa County Medical Society were held during 1943, of which eight were devoted to scientific programs. Speakers were usually local medical personalities, and the programs were varied to include symposiums, motion pictures, and illustrated lectures.

Dr. H. A. Ruprecht was program chairman, assisted by Dr. Ian MacKenzie and Dr. Arthur H. Davis.

### Rationing Committee

All matters of rationing for doctors, especially facilitation of gasoline and dietary foods rations, were handled through the Executive Office under the supervision of the Rationing Committee. Cooperation with War Price and Ration Board officials was much improved over 1942 as over 1,400 applications were handled without undue difficulty by the Executive Offices.

Dr. H. B. Stewart was committee chairman, with Dr. M. V. Stanley and Dr. W. J. Trainor assisting.

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