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NUTRITIONAL ANEMIA IN INFANTS

REASONS FOR EARLY FEEDING OF PABLUM (OR PABENA)

1. The infant's initial store of iron is rapidly depleted during the first months of life. (Mackay,¹ Elvehjem²). About 30% of the iron freed from the hemoglobin during the first two months is lost, and while hemoglobin destruction takes place, all infants are in negative iron balance. (Jeans,³ and Usher, et al.⁴).
2. During the early months of life the infant obtains very little iron from milk — 1.44 mg. per day from the average bottle formula of 20 ounces or possibly 1.7 mg. per day from 28 ounces of breast milk. (Holt,⁵ Jeans³). The incidence of nutritional anemia has been found to be high among infants confined largely to a diet of cow's milk. (Davidson, et al.,⁶ Usher, et al.,⁴ Mackay¹).

For these reasons and also because of the low hemoglobin values so frequent among pregnant and nursing mothers (Strauss,⁷ and Gottlieb and Streat⁸), the pediatric trend is constantly toward the addition of iron-containing foods at an early age, both to normal infants and those with pylorospasm. (Neff,⁹ Blatt,¹⁰ Brennemann,¹¹ Monypenny¹²).

THE CHOICE OF THE IRON-CONTAINING FOOD

1. Many foods high in iron actually add very little to the diet because much of the mineral is lost in cooking or because the amount fed is necessarily small or because the food has a high percentage of water. Strained spinach, for instance, contains only 1 to 1.4 mg. of iron per 100 Gm. (Bridges¹³).
2. To be effective, food iron should be soluble. Some foods fairly high in total iron are low in soluble iron. Thus egg yolk and liver have less soluble iron than does farina, which is very low in total iron. (Summerfeldt¹⁴). Oxalate-containing leafy vegetables are low in soluble iron and appear not to be well utilized as a source of iron by infants. (Kohler, et al.,¹⁵ and Stearns¹⁶).
3. Pablum (and Pabena) are high both in total iron (30 mg. per 100 Gm.) and soluble iron (7.8 mg. per 100 Gm.) and can be fed in significant amounts at an early age, without digestive upsets. (Blatt,¹⁰ Monypenny¹²). Clinical studies of sick and well babies have shown Pablum to be of value in raising hemoglobin values (Crimm, et al.,¹⁷ Summerfeldt and Ross¹⁸), even when egg yolk and spinach were not effective (Stearns¹⁶).

Pablum, a palatable mixed cereal food, vitamin and mineral enriched, and cooked thoroughly and dried, consists of wheatmeal (farina), oatmeal, wheat embryo, cornmeal, powdered beef bone, sodium chloride, alfalfa leaf, brewers' yeast, and reduced iron. (The oatmeal form of Pablum is called Pabena.)

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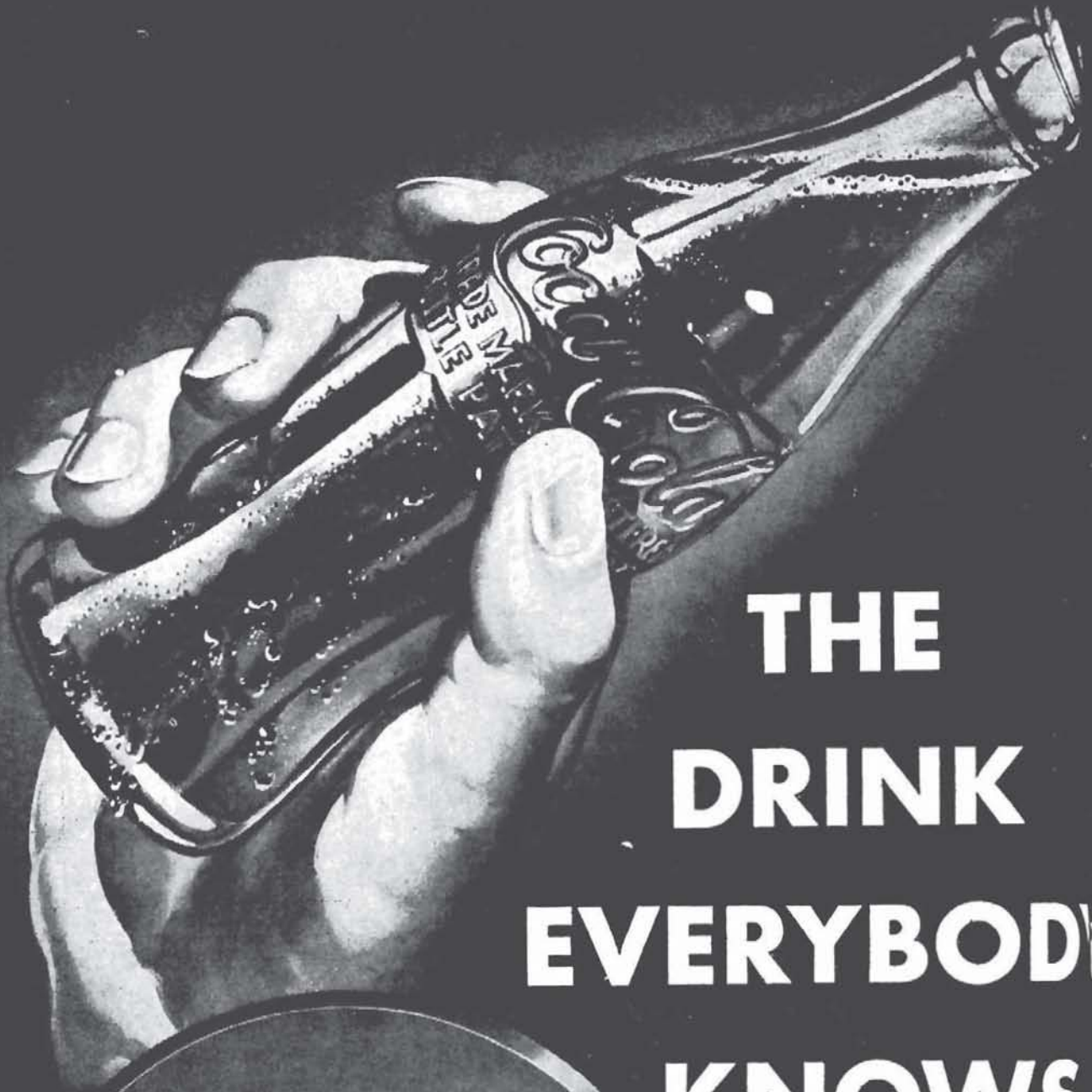


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HILLCREST OPENS LYING-IN UNIT

Spacious New Hospital Provides For 135 Maternity Cases. Remodeled From Old Morningside Apartments, It Contains The Latest In Surgical Equipment, Furnishings, and Delivery Facilities.

The medical progress of Tulsa took a step forward last month with the opening of the Hillcrest Lying-In Hospital, a thoroughly modern institution designed to give the utmost in care and comfort of maternity cases. Located at 1615 East Twelfth Street, Tulsa, the new hospital is an adjunct of the long-established Hillcrest Memorial Hospital.

Equipped to care for 135 mothers, the Lying-In Hospital is the last word in modern equipment, furnishings, and hospital facilities. Several large delivery rooms, spacious and well-lighted, are equipped with the latest types of delivery tables and accessory items. Emergency lighting equipment, shadowproof overhead lights, and infant and adult resuscitators are features of the delivery rooms.

The new Hillcrest addition was remodeled from the old Morningside Apartments, a three-story and basement structure which had long housed transient guests whose friends and relatives were patients at the hospital.

The need for additional hospital facilities, not only for specialized maternity case but to free much-needed rooms for other types of patients, has been felt in Tulsa for some years and has been particularly acute since the outbreak of the war. The project was originally conceived by Bryce L. Twitty, Hillcrest Administrator, and his associates. The prosecution of the idea was complicated by government restrictions and priorities on construction materials and surgical equip-

ment and furnishings. It was made possible through the assistance of the federal government, both in financing and in securing the necessary material.

Two large delivery rooms are located on the third floor and another on the second floor. All are adjoined by labor rooms, which are completely soundproof. Except for one semi-private room, all labor rooms are private. Each room is equipped with double doors to insure complete quiet for other patients.

Adjoining the delivery rooms are large sterilizing rooms with dust-proof ventilation. Modern equipment here includes an autoclave for sterilizing packs at twenty pounds steam pressure. There are also two sterile water tanks, a large instrument sterilizer, and cabinets and storage space for materials and implements.

The third floor contains a small doctors' waiting lounge, equipped with couch, shower bath, and lockers for surgical instruments and clothing. Just outside are two large scrub sinks with special attachments which enable the water to be shut off by the use of the elbow.

Bedrooms range from private to wards of six beds each. All rooms are furnished in red maple furniture, each patient having a special three-way bed table which can be used for feeding, writing, reading, and makeup.

The nursery provides for the care of as many as seventy babies at any one time. Modern metal bassinets include trays for bathing and dressing. Other nursery

equipment includes a portable incubator, isolation ward, refrigeration and hot plates equipment, and sinks.

The first floor also provides three rooms for the instruction of student nurses. A large kitchen in the basement is completely equipped with the latest in cooking, refrigeration, and washing machinery. A nurses' dining room and babies' laundry are also located on the basement floor.

Fathers, or expectant fathers, also come in for consideration. A fathers' lounge provides ample room for pacing back and forth. Less nervous fathers may rest in comfortable furniture while waiting for baby's arrival. Even a private telephone is available so that proud papas can telephone the good news to friends and relatives.

The Hillcrest Lying-In Hospital will

maintain the same management as the hospital proper. Mr. Bryce L. Twitty is General Administrator, with the following trustees: Dr. J. W. Storer, pastor of the First Baptist Church; Barton P. Sibole, president of the Stanolind Pipe Line Company; N. R. Graham, president of the Tulsa Clearing House Association; Dr. Claude Hill, pastor of the First Christian Church; Harry Schwartz, president of the Tulsa Federation of Labor; H. M. Stalcup, vice-president of Skelly Oil Company; T. H. Steffens, Sand Springs Home; Samuel P. Daniels, investment broker; and H. B. Dowell, president of Commander Mills.

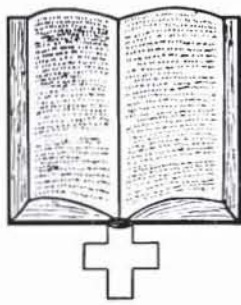
An open house was held at the new Lying-In Hospital on Tuesday, April 11, with several hundred visitors on hand to inspect the new equipment and facilities.



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- Manson-Bahr, **Synopsis of Tropical Medicine, 1943**. Williams and Wilkins Co., Baltimore, Maryland.
- Alvarez, Walter C., M.D., **Nervousness, Indigestion and Pain, 1944**. Paul B. Hoeber, Inc., New York, N.Y.
- Cecil, Russell L., M.D., Editor, **Cecil's Medicine**. New (6th) edition. W. B. Saunders Co., Philadelphia, Pa.
- Wechsler, Israel S., M.D., **Clinical Neurology**, New (5th) edition. W. B. Saunders Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

Gifts of the Month—

- Mrs. Fred Y. Cronk**, Miscellaneous copies of Surgery, Gynecology and Obstetrics, Journal of the American Medical Association, Southern Medical Journal and Surgical Clinics of North America.
- Dr. James C. Brogden**, Keen's Surgery, various authors, complete in nine volumes and index.
- Anonymous**, **Surgery Through the Ages, A Pictorial Chronicle** by Hiller, Lejaren A., 1944. **The Physician of the Dance of Death**, by Warthin, Alfred S., M.D., 1932.

OF INTEREST

A paper entitled "Mumps At Army Camps in 1943" by McGuinness, Major Aims C., and Gall, Major Edward A., published in War Medicine for February 1944, mentions the name of Lt. Col. E. Rankin Denny as one of several officers of the Medical Corps who assisted in the study, and whose cooperation made its completion possible. The paper is a lengthy one, complete with charts, graphs and clinical data, taken from a study of approximately 1500 cases, embracing the epidemiologic and medical aspects. Col. Denny is Chief of Medical Service at the Gardiner General Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.

Papers entitled "Fractional X-Ray Treatment of Skin Cancer" by Marque O. Nelson, M.D., with W. A. Showman, M.D., as discussant and "Unusual Aspects of Coronary Thrombosis" by Homer A. Ruprecht, M.D., were published in the February issue of the Journal of the Oklahoma State Medical Association. "Surgical Indications in Glaucoma" by Donald V. Crane, M.D. was published in the March issue of the state journal.

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A HISTORY OF THE TULSA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

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Part Two:
Tulsa Medicine Progresses
1911 - 1913

With the early unsettled years of organization behind, The Tulsa County Medical Society entered upon a new era at the close of Dr. G. H. Butler's term of office in 1910. While the first four presidents of the Society had worked hard and efficiently in their posts, interest in organized medical affairs continued to center about the state association. After 1910, Tulsa doctors began to take more interest in local medical affairs and to foresee the advantages of local organization.

Coincident with the establishment of the Tulsa County Medical Society, Tulsa's first real hospital was organized in 1906. Known as the Tulsa Hospital Association in corporate form and popularly as The Tulsa Hospital, it was the result of months of organization and planning by a group of doctors headed by Dr. Fred S. Clinton, Dr. C. L. Reeder, and Dr. C. Z. Wiley.

Dr. Fred Severs Clinton was a native Oklahoman, born near Okmulgee in 1874, the son of an early white settler of the Indian Territory. His mother was a cultured Southern woman of liberal education and refinement. Dr. Clinton graduated from University Medical College of Kansas City in 1897 and shortly thereafter located for practice in the Red Fork area. Subsequently, he moved to Tulsa and became a leader in civic and medical affairs, particularly in the activities of the Indian Territory Medical Association and its successor, the Oklahoma State Medical Association.

The need for a hospital had been keen-

ly felt in Tulsa for many years prior to 1906. A comparatively small and unstable population, unsettled economic conditions, and lack of civic interest had forestalled the building of any properly organized hospital. Dr. Clinton, Dr. Wiley, and Dr. Reeder drew up the tentative plans in November, 1906, and shortly thereafter applied for and received a charter to operate. A ten-room unfinished residence located at the corner of West Fifth and Lawton streets was purchased by the group. Despite a lack of sidewalks, electricity, sewers, and water mains, the old house offered an excellent opportunity to the visionary doctors. Remodeling began at once, a hand-pump water system was installed, and a cess pool dug. While the work went on, the Tulsa Hospital operated in a small frame house on the North side of the town. Finally, in January, 1907, the old house at Fifth and Lawton was ready for occupancy as Tulsa's first hospital. Dr. Fred S. Clinton was president, Dr. C. L. Reeder secretary, and Dr. C. Z. Wiley treasurer.

It was the hope of the organizers to include a school of nursing in the Tulsa Hospital. This hope became a reality almost immediately with Miss Henrietta Ziegler as Superintendent of Nurses. The hospital and training school was readily successful and expanded and grew from time to time. An advertisement appearing in the state Journal of 1910 notes that it had "sunlight and air in every room, silent signal system, modernly planned and equipped." Also that it had a private ambulance (a clapboard wagon drawn

by two white horses), long distance telephone, and location on a car line. The capacity at that time (1910) was forty beds. Dr. Clinton remained as president until 1915 when other interests assumed control.

The Physicians and Surgeons Hospital, a two-story frame building located at Carson and Thirteenth Street, was organized in 1910 by Dr. G. H. Butler, Dr. S. D. Hawley, Dr. W. Q. Conway, and Dr. R. S. Wagner. It was moderately successful although an early attempt to establish a nurses training school was eventually abandoned.

In these two hospitals Tulsa physicians found adequate medical care facilities, as judged by the existing standards, for Tulsa's sick and aged. To this was added the Oklahoma Hospital, a privately owned institution which Dr. Fred S. Clinton organized in 1915, and the Morningside Hospital, which came into being during the war years of the second decade. Of these two latter organizations, more will be said later.

The selection of Dr. Ross Grosshart as president of the Tulsa County Medical Society for the year of 1911 proved to be a happy choice. This energetic doctor had already proven his worth in the state association as chairman of the Surgery Section and had been highly complimented for his address and for the capable manner in which he conducted his section.

Dr. Ross Grosshart, born in Missouri in 1878, was the son of Dr. Joel E. Grosshart, an ambitious man whose untimely death in 1879 cut short a brief but promising career as a physician. Dr. Ross Grosshart lived in Kansas and New Mexico as a boy, later making the race into Indian Territory when it was opened to settlement by the whites. After a few years as a farmer and cattleman, he worked his way through medical college and graduated from the Kansas City Medical College in 1899. Practicing for a time in Missouri, he came to Tulsa in 1905. A specialist in surgery, he became recognized as a leading physician in his field and remained so until his death.

Dr. Grosshart insisted on a regular

schedule of meetings throughout his term of office and many excellent programs were prepared. The president attempted to instill the interest of the members into the proceedings of the Oklahoma State Medical Association, but with one or two exceptions, few Tulsan physicians took part in the affairs of the state organization.

One of these exceptions was Dr. Charles L. Reeder, a pioneer Tulsa physician and civic leader. His election as President of the Oklahoma State Medical Association at the annual meeting in Muskogee in 1911 was a signal honor to the Tulsa group. An Iowan by birth, Dr. Reeder graduated from the Barnes Medical College of St. Louis in 1890. He came to Tulsa shortly thereafter and soon established a large practice. One of the founders of the Tulsa Hospital, he also labored along civic lines and brought a touch of Eastern culture to the cow-town with the establishment of the Tulsa Opera House Company.

Speaking at the annual meeting in Shawnee in 1912, Dr. Reeder made a forceful and eloquent speech urging uniform medical licensure acts among the various states, protesting against the sale of liquor in pharmacies, recommending the establishment of state tubercular sanitariums, and opposing a public movement against vaccination for contagious diseases.

Dr. Reeder led the state association through a profitable year. Many of the objectives embodied in his address were translated into resolutions and prosecuted as vigorously as possible.

Following the fine work of Dr. Paul Grosshart, the year of 1912 was considerably disappointing. For some unknown reason, the office of president was not filled until late in the year when Dr. Walter E. Wright became executive officer. Wright's election came as a result of his fine work of several years as secretary-treasurer of the organization. Although belated in getting to work, Dr. Wright succeeded in reviving waning interest in the organization and the regular program of work was resumed. Dr. Paul R. Brown became secretary in that

year.

A Missourian, Dr. Wright followed his father as a physician with his graduation from the University of Louisville in 1906. He came to Tulsa the same year and was almost immediately recognized as a leading pathologist and, later, an x-ray specialist. In later years he was to retire from the practice of medicine to devote his time to management of extensive investments and property holdings.

While a considerable number of Tulsa doctors belonged to the Tulsa County Medical Society in 1912, the number in the State Association was only 26. Unfortunately, membership in the local association did not necessarily mean membership in the state association. If any rule existed to govern this matter, it was not enforced to any great degree.

Of those who were members of the Society in 1912, the following are still alive and very much active: Dr. E. L. Cohenour, Dr. J. E. Wallace, Dr. W. Albert Cook, Dr. M. A. Houser, Dr. P. H. Mayginnes, and Dr. S. S. Mohrman. Dr. Fred S. Clinton, Dr. A. W. Roth, and Dr. Paul R. Brown are alive but retired from active practice.

In the absence of the Medical Arts Building and others as strictly professional buildings, the bulk of the doctors of 1912 had their offices in the Bliss Building or the First National Bank Building.

As if to compensate for his shortened term of office, Dr. W. E. Wright continued to serve as president until March, 1913, when Dr. W. W. Brodie assumed office. Dr. Brodie was a likeable and capable physician who had served the Society as vice-president during Dr. Wright's irregular term of office. Throughout the balance of 1913 he continued the effective work of the Society, concentrating upon improving the Society's status in the state association. His success here was demonstrated to some extent by the appearance of a number of Tulsa doctors on the program of the annual state convention in Enid on May 14-15, 1913. Dr. W. Albert Cook, Dr. E. F. Hayden, Dr. Fred S. Clinton, and

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J. FRED BOLTON, M. D.

1880-1944

Dr. John Frederick Bolton, 64, prominent Tulsa obstetrician and gynecologist, died March 27, 1944, following a series of cardiac attacks. Services were conducted by the First Presbyterian Church of Tulsa with interment at Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

A graduate of the Washington University School of Medicine at St. Louis, Class of 1904, Dr. Bolton practiced for some years at his home in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. He came to Tulsa in 1923 and became readily prominent in the field of obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. Bolton was extremely active in civic affairs, particularly in the Tulsa Cooperative Club. He served as chairman or member of a number of committees in the Tulsa County Medical Society, most recently as chairman of the Welfare Committee.

His death closely followed the death of his mother, Mrs. Anna Bolton, who passed away in February, 1944.

Medical Calendar

MONDAY, May 1st:

Hillcrest Hospital Staff Meeting.

FRIDAY, May 5th:

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

SATURDAY, May 6th:

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 3:30 p.m.

MONDAY, May 8th:

Dinner Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, 6:30 p.m. Place to be announced later. Speaker: Dr. Robert D. Schrock, Omaha, Nebraska. Tickets must be purchased in advance of the meeting at the Executive Offices.

SATURDAY, May 13th:

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 3:30 p.m.

MONDAY, May 15:

St. Johns Hospital Staff Meeting.

TUESDAY, May 16th:

Medical and Dental Office Assistants' Meeting, 1202 Medical Arts Building, 6:30 p.m. Program to be announced later.

FRIDAY, May 19th:

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

SATURDAY, May 20th:

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 3:30 p.m.

MONDAY, May 22nd:

No Tulsa County Medical Society meeting on this date unless announced by mail in advance.

SATURDAY, May 27th:

Medical Broadcast, "Doctors At War," Radio Station KVOO, 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 31st:

Tulsa County Medical Society members are reminded that scientific meetings are discontinued throughout the summer months of June, July, and August.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Following the regular scientific meeting of the Tulsa County Medical Society on May 8th — at which Dr. Robert D. Schrock, eminent Omaha orthopedist, will be the principal speaker — monthly meetings of the Society will be discontinued until next September. This summer lay-off each year is in line with the Society's general policy of urging doctors to rest and vacation as much as possible during the hot months. I want to take this opportunity to urge you to make full use of the summer this year for purposes of rest and relaxation. It has not been easy for the Tulsa doctors since the war began. Many of you have not taken as much as a weekend off from your heavy practices. The call of many of our younger doctors to the armed forces has placed a greater burden upon those who are left at home, and this group remaining behind must serve a greatly-swollen population. Already, overwork has been responsible for the deaths of at least four Tulsa doctors within the last few months.

With a likelihood of less sickness during the summer months, each doctor should attempt to get as much rest and relaxation as possible. Your energies will be needed with the return of winter complaints, and with the necessity of caring for the practices of Tulsa doctors yet to be called into service.

Your Executive Offices and Library will be open during the summer months to serve you in any way possible. Let them be a part of your summer vacation.

Sincerely,



President.



Members In Service



A surprise visitor to the American College of Surgeons regional war session in Tulsa last April 4 was CAPTAIN JACK O. AKINS, up from McCloskey General Hospital at Temple, Texas, where he is recuperating from wounds received at Salerno. Captain Akins spoke forcefully at the luncheon meeting in behalf of enlisted men in the Medical Corps. "These men are the real heroes of the Medical Corps,"



Dr. Logan Spann

he said. "The doctors do their part, too, but it is the enlisted men who must go unarmed into the battle zones to remove the wounded. In my opinion, they cannot be praised too highly for their contribution to the war." Captain Akins looks fine, hopes to return soon to his Tulsa practice. Correcting the record, Captain Akins was wounded when he was fired upon by camouflaged German tanks two miles from the Salerno beachhead. He was hit while treating a captured German officer, suffered the loss of his right leg, was not otherwise injured.

CAPTAIN ALLEN T. KORNBLEE is now with the American troops in Ireland. His wife is now enrolled in the Cadet Nurse Corps in Tulsa.

LT. COM. GIFFORD H. HENRY writes from Guadalcanal that he enjoyed a reunion with LT. LOGAN A. SPANN during his brief stay there. Lt. Com. Henry states that he is with a Navy Air Unit which frequently carries Seabee Battalions. At the time of writing, in mid-February, he was awaiting orders to shove off with Marine and Seabee units to establish an airfield and hospital on captured South Pacific bases. "The little fellows (Japs?) only bother us occasionally here," Dr. Henry writes. Just where "here"

was, he didn't say. Good luck, doctor.

MAJOR FRANK A. STUART has been transferred from Amarillo Army Air Field to the AAF Station Hospital at Lincoln Field, Lincoln, Nebraska.

It's a promotion for another Tulsa doctor with LT. COL. COLE D. PITTMAN attained his new rank recently. He is the fifth Lieutenant-Colonel among Tulsa County Medical Society members in the service. Dr. Pittman writes that he has been certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology. Congratulations on both counts, Lt. Col. Pittman.

LT. R. G. RAY has reportedly returned to the West Coast with battle casualties from the South Pacific area. At last word, Lt. Ray was with a Navy medical unit aboard the U. S. S. Feland, out of San Francisco.

LT. COM. BERNARD L. BRANLEY has been transferred to the west Coast and stationed with an Acorn Training Detachment at Port Huneme, California. Until recently, he served at the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Called to service: LT. HERBERT ORR, former Hillcrest Hospital intern and more recently associated with Dr. L. C. Northrup. Lt.



Dr. G. H. Henry

Orr goes to Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, for preliminary training. LT. OLIVER H. THOMPSON left his Tulsa practice in February for an Army assignment at Carlisle Barracks. Awaiting orders: LT. W. E. WENDEL, staff physician at Tulsa Clinic, 915 S. Cincinnati, Tulsa.

Promoted: From Captain to Major, DR. DAVID L. EDWARDS, now stationed at Coral Gables, Florida. Congratulations.

LT. COL. JAMES H. HAMMOND is

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BUREAUCRACY AND MEDICINE

At a recent medical meeting in Tulsa, an energetic representative of the Children's Bureau, an agency of the federal government, spoke in glowing and praising terms of the expanded program of the Maternal and Infant Care Plan for wives and children of service men. It was most discouraging to see that the bulk of the out-of-town doctors in attendance were enthused by her remarks and completely sold on the value of the plan. The Tulsa County Medical Society has never made any secret of the fact that it thoroughly opposed the plan, primarily because it was an extension of government bureaucracy into the medical profession and an opening wedge for eventual state medicine. Unfortunately, that opinion has not been shared by the bulk of the other county medical societies in the state. This is primarily due to the fact that physicians in rural and small town areas have overlooked the more sinister social aspects of the situation and have been deluded by the guarantee of payment for services rendered. In order that the motives of the Tulsa County Medical Society be not misinterpreted in its disapproval of the Maternal Care Plan, the members of the Society offered the service free to those patients who were unable to pay.

A difficult task is thus indicated for the Tulsa doctors. The need of educating the Oklahoma doctors to the social objections of this plan from the standpoint of the medical profession is paramount. At this late date, there is little that can be done to abolish the plan since it is so firmly entrenched in public opinion as a noteworthy and appropriate project for the soldier morale and welfare. However, there is no necessity that this plan continue in some altered form after the close of the war. If it does continue, the first phase of state medicine is definitely here.

The Tulsa doctors now learn that major non-obstetric operations during pregnancy will also be paid for under new regulations of the plan. Payments for hospital and home nursing for conditions of a non-obstetric character during pregnancy are also permitted. The bureaucratic foot in the door grows larger and will grow unless efforts to prevent its extension are inaugurated at once.

Tulsa doctors are influential. They have many friends among the profession. Let the medical profession be educated first as to the danger. An educated profession will then work to avert that danger.

PERSONALS

DR. LILLIAN H. ROBINSON, 915 S. Cincinnati, Tulsa, has been elected to membership in the Tulsa County Medical Society.

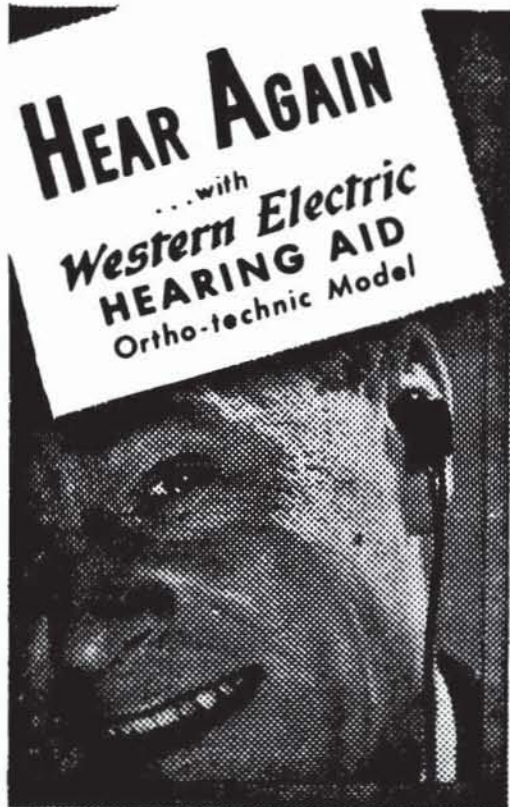
DR. ELLIS JONES has returned to his office after an illness.

LT. WILLIAM EARL GOODMAN, son of DR. SAMUEL GOODMAN and who has been pilot of a B-24 bomber in the South Pacific for the past 18 months, is home on a 30-day furlough.

DR. W. T. SMITH, son of DR. NED R. SMITH, has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel at his Alaskan Army assignment.

DR. NOLEN C. RILEY, 915 S. Cincinnati, Tulsa, is an applicant for membership in the Tulsa County Medical Society.

DR. S. J. BRADFIELD has returned from a brief vacation.



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Lay Medical Articles

Medical articles of interest appearing in leading lay publications during the month of April, 1944, were:

"America's Opium—Sleeping Pills." By Gretta Palmer. Coronet, April, p. 31. An analysis of a growing trend in the use of sleeping opiates and sedatives.

"Halfway Up From Bedlam." Time, April 17, p. 90. U. S. mental hospitals, now crowded to capacity, are not up to the usual standards of American hospitals.

"Man's Best Friend." By Elsie McCormick. Colliers, April 22, p. 71. The Liver works quietly and efficiently, seldom providing a cause for complaint.

"New Nerves For Old." Life, March 27, p. 89. Nerve grafts provide complete use of war-torn limbs.

"Your Mind And Your Molars." By Evelyn Wells, Coronet, April, p. 142. An interesting if questionable analysis of relationship of good teeth and worry.

"Case Against The Flea." By J. D. Ratcliff. Colliers, April 15, p. 14. The small and insignificant flea attains new significance as a typhus carrier.

"The Answer To Cancer?" Time, April 3, p. 68. Penicillin looms as a successful treatment in the cure of cancer.

"Nurses With Wings." By Marion Porter. Colliers, April 22, p. 26. Angels of mercy really fly with the wounded in the Army's new airborne hospital transport units.

"Keep Your Teeth In." By David O. Woodbury. Colliers, April 1, p. 36. An opinion of the importance of keeping your own molars.

"Are You Fit For Marriage?" By Victor F. Miles. Coronet, April, p. 127. The psychological aspects of marriage can be determined in advance, doctors believe.

"Magic Lie Detector." By Alva Johnston. Saturday Evening Post, April 15, p. 9. Medicine may find new uses for the lie detector in determining emotional illness.

"Insulin For Everything." Time, April 10, p. 43.

AUXILIARY GIVES \$50.00 TO MEDICAL LIBRARY

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Tulsa County Medical Society last month presented the Medical Library with a gift of \$50.00 to be used in bringing to date and maintaining Frederick Tice's "Practice of Medicine" series. These books, consisting originally of ten volumes and index, were presented about a year ago by the late Dr. J. Fred Bolton.

This marks the third consecutive year that the Auxiliary has made cash gifts to the Library. The first gift in 1942 was used in the purchase of a library floor covering and the 1943 gift for purchase of textbooks in the various fields of medicine.

Mrs. James C. Peden is the chairman of the Philanthropic Committee of the Auxiliary with Mrs. James Stevenson, Mrs. O. C. Armstrong, and Mrs. C. S. Summers as members. Mrs. John C. Perry is Auxiliary president. Dr. Joseph Fulcher, chairman of the Library Committee, accepted the gift on behalf of the Society and extended the thanks of the membership for the Auxiliary's kindness.

SOCIETY HISTORY

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Dr. A. W. Roth delivered scientific papers. It is of interest to note that three other doctors residing in other cities but later to become prominent Tulsa physicians appeared on the program—Dr. P. P. Nesbitt of Muskogee, Dr. G. A. Wall of Oklahoma City, and the late Dr. Fred Y. Cronk of Guthrie. Mrs. P. H. Mayginnis of Tulsa was a leader in the Ladies Auxiliary program of that year.

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reported stationed with the Army Transport Command, Caribbean Wing, at the Floridian Hotel, Miami, Florida.

A welcome letter from LT. JOHN G. MATT, now with a Medical Hospital Ship in the South Pacific, asserts he is "fat and sassy." Lt. Matt is now commanding officer of his unit, bemoans the heat—126 in the shade. "Am working hard on surgery and orthopedics," he writes.

CAPTAIN CHARLES H. EADS, after a two-weeks stay at Camp Robinson, Arkansas, has been transferred to the Army and Navy General Hospital at Hot Springs, Arkansas. He comments that his work has kept him from enjoying the racing season, which is perhaps just as well for his pocketbook. Capt. Eads is most pleased with his present post.

MAJOR SIMON POLLOCK has reached his new post in the South Pacific battle area and is presumed to be in the thick of things.

CAPTAIN RALPH LEE BEST, advanced in rank, has been assigned to LaGarde General Hospital at New Orleans, Louisiana.

CAPTAIN W. B. BOONE stopped in at McCloskey General Hospital at Temple, Texas, to say hello to CAPTAIN JACK O. AKINS. Captain Boone was en route to a Pacific port of embarkation and is believed to be destined for service with American troops in India.

Another transfer: CAPTAIN HENRY A. BROCKSMITH, from Camp Crowder at Neosho, Missouri, to the Army Medical Center at Washington, D. C.

CAPTAIN L. A. MUNDING is now spotted with the Army Air Forces unit at Sweetwater, Texas.

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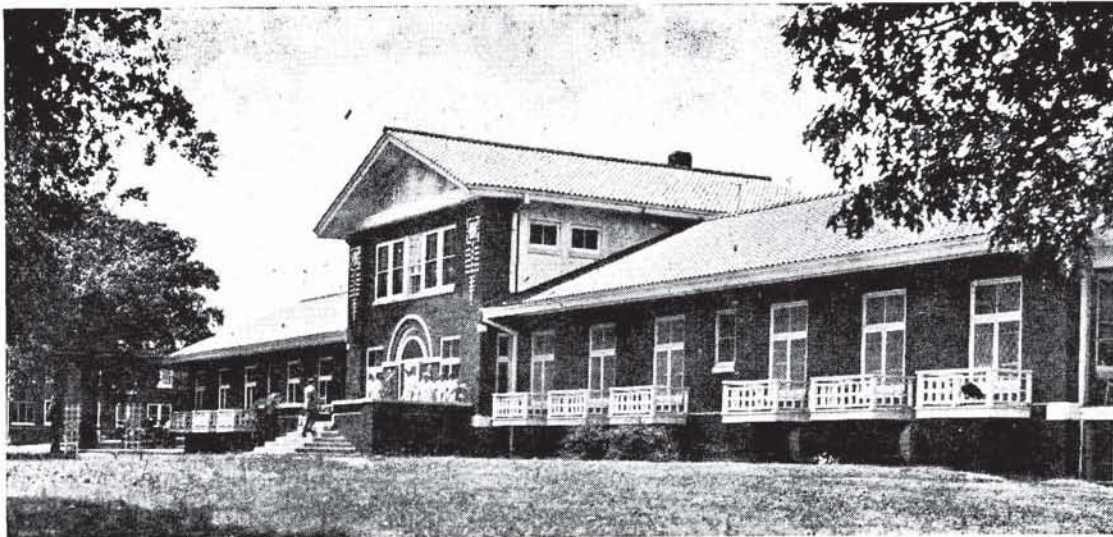
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