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# It Can Happen Here

Lest we forget—we who are of the vitamin Dera—severe rickets is not yet eradicated, and moderate and mild rickets are still prevalent. Here is a white child, supposedly well fed, if judged by weight alone, a farm child apparently living out of doors a good deal. This boy was reared in a state



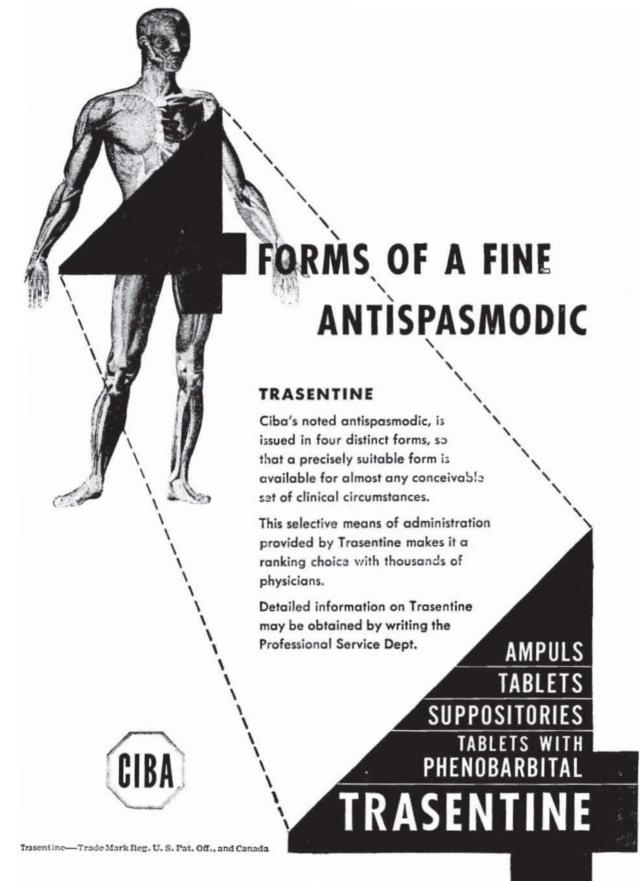
Example of severe rickets in a sunny clime.

having a latitude between 37° and 42°, where the average amount of fall and winter sunshine is equal to that in the major portion of the United States. And yet such stigmata of rickets as genu varum and the quadratic head are plain evidence that rickets does occur under these conditions.

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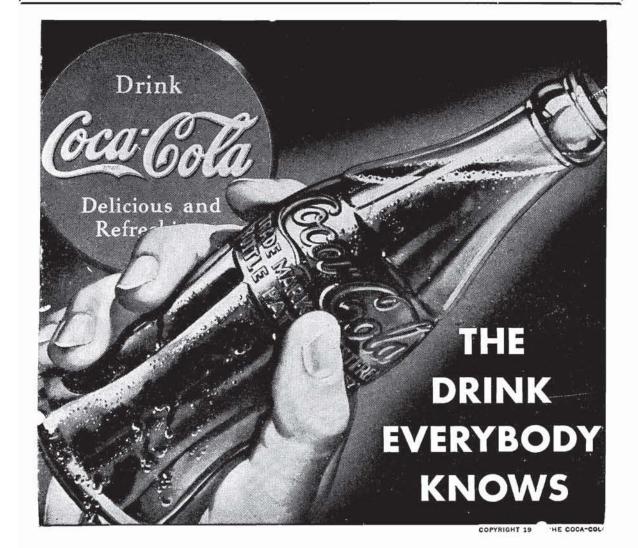
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STORMY DAYS are usually followed by sharp increases in the incidence of upper respiratory infections, often the prelude to pneumococcal pneumonia. Fortunately, physicians are prepared to combat the pneumococci with sulfonamides and penicillin.

Although sulfonamides are generally effective,



problems sometimes arise in their administration. In the patient with cardiac or renal disease, it may be difficult to maintain proper fluid balance. This imbalance may lead to urinary tract complications. Others may experience untoward toxic effects or lack of response to the drug. In these cases, Penicillin, Lilly, is particularly valuable. While the intramuscular injection of 10 to 15 thousand units every three hours throughout the night and day might be helpful, doses of 20 thousand or more units at the same intervals are

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# HOSPITAL EDUCATION CAMPAIGN OPENS

Tulsa Voters to Determine Fate of Much Needed 200 Bed Citizens Hospital at Special Bond Issue Election on November 26. Dr. H. A. Ruprecht Heads Drive.

With a special county-wide bond election of \$1,250,000 to create estimated construction costs of a proposed 200-bed citizens hospital less than one month away, Tulsa voters last month began to exhibit widespread interest in the local hospital situation and need for many types of additional facilities. On the basis of an initial public reaction, it appeared that the bond issue would be overwhelmingly approved by the voters at the special election of Tuesday, November 26, 1946.

Developments in the project during October included the following:

1. Assumption of the direction of the educational campaign to acquaint the voters with the facts of need by the Tulsa Health Council, newly created coordinating group consisting of representatives from 25 to 30 Tulsa health and welfare agencies.

2. Appointment of Dr. Homer A. Ruprecht, former president of the Tulsa County Medical Society, as chairman of the educational campaign, with Mr. Oakah L. Jones, chairman of the Civic Department of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, as vice-chairman.

3. Issuance of a public statement by the Council stipulating that the proposed hospital shall contain proportionate facilities for the care of negro patients.

 Prosecution of a full campaign of education through all publicity and education media, including radio, newspapers, publications, printed material, public addresses, etc. 5. Agreement by the Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County to appoint the five-man governing board of the proposed hospital prior to the November 26 election, contingent upon the reelection of the present Commissioners at the general elections in November. Such appointments will be made with the approval of the Health Council.

 Increased development of the financial aspects of maintenance of the hospital with project leaders attempting to overcome criticism of the proposed methods of maintenance.

7. Tentatise agreement by the County Commissioners on a bond issue of 20 years' duration, expected to bear two per cent interest.

8. Endorsed by a large number of civic and professional agencies of the proposed hospital.

Publication of preliminary basic blue-prints of the proposed institution.

10. Unofficial indications that portions of the construction cost may be eventually borne by the federal government through public grants-in-aid programs.

The selection of Dr. Homer A. Ruprecht, Tulsa cardiac specialist, was predicated on the basis of his earlier leadership in this project. As president of the Tulsa County Medical Society last year, he helped inaugurate the project and served throughout the past two years as a member of the joint committee from the Society and the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce which conducted the survey studies. The vice-chairman, Mr. Oakah

L. Jones, public utilities official, has also been a dominant force in the project, serving with Dr. Frank J. Nelson as co-chairman of the joint committee.

Leaders in the hospital project swung into action on an intensive education campaign late in September after the Board of County Commissioners had fixed November 26 as the date of a special bond election. By the end of October, the campaign was going full-swing with intensive efforts expected during

the first three weeks of November .

Heavy emphasis is being placed upon the use of speakers before various civic, professional, and social groups. The Tulsa League of Women Voters, one of the staunchest supporters of the proposed hospital, has a panel of 20 speakers who will concentrate upon Parent Teachers Association and Tulsa church groups. It is understood that some 40 speaking engagements alone have been scheduled for PTA groups. The Tulsa Toastmasters Club has agreed to provide a panel of speakers for labor and veterans' groups. The Tulsa County Medical Society has already scheduled more than 20 addresses before major civic clubs. As The Bulletin went to press, the following doctors had volunteered their services to the Society: Dr. John C. Perry, Dr. Frank J. Nelson, Dr. Charles G. Stuard, Dr. William C. Eller, Dr. John E. McDonald, Dr. E. Rankin Denny, Dr. Emil Palik, Dr. Marcella R. Steel, Dr. Donald L. Mishler, Dr. T. R. Turner, Dr. H. B. Stewart, Dr. H. Lee Farris, Dr. H. A. Ruprecht, Dr P. N. Charbonnet, Dr. Fred E. Woodson, Dr. Benjamin W. Ward, Dr. Donald V. Crane, Dr. Robert E. Funk, Dr. Marvin D. Henley, and several others.

The campaign has also been organized to cover newspapers, radio, motion pictures, public bill boards, schools, printed media, etc., with lay chairmen for each of the several sections. In radio, more than 20 broadcasts have already been scheduled.

Responsibility for the prosecution of the project has been assumed by a newlycreated health coordinating group known known as the Tulsa Health Council, whose membership is composed of social welfare and health agency leaders. Mr. Milton Shurr, recently appointed as director of health education in Tulsa, is secretary of the new group.

Further details on the proposed 200bed hospital became available during October as Mr. J. B. Gray, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, informed a delegation of civic leaders that the Board had agreed to appoint the non-partisan governing board of the hospital prior to the special bond election. Mr. Gray stated that such action was contingent upon the election or reelection of the commissioners at the general elections of November 5. Such action was seen as favorable to the chances of the hospital bond issue inasmuch as voters will be able to know the type of leadership which the hospital will have. Mr. Gray also stated that the selection of the Board would be governed by suggestions of the member agencies of the Tulsa Health Council. As required by law, the Commissioners must appoint five persons to administrate any county hospital.

The Board of County Commissioners also indicated last month that they would recommend a bond issue of 20 years duration. Interest rates on municipal issues have been steadily increasing during the past several months, and it is believed that the bonds will bear at least two per cent interest. It is estimated that the annual cost to taxpayers on the basis of present valuations will be about 50 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. Inquiries into the maintenance problems of the hospital were also made during October, with Tulsa economists estimating that redistribution of present health and charity funds, as proposed by the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, would provide a large portion of the estimated \$230,000 required for annual maintenance. Seen as possibilities for additional funds were decreased requirements for county highway construction and maintenance, and possibilities that present county levies to schools might be reduced by a state-wide increase in school millage as proposed by current petitions before the

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# NOVEMBER MEDICAL PROGRAMS

The Tulsa County Medical Society will sponsor two outstanding scientific medical programs in November with members also invited to attend two other medical programs featuring nationally known physicians. All programs are expected to draw a heavy attendance with doctors in many surrounding towns planning to visit the Society at one or more of the meetings.

Scheduled for the month are the following:

Dr. Urban H. Eversole, Lahey Clinic anesthestist, who will appear before the Tulsa County Medical Society on Tuesday, November 12, at the Mayo Hotel, 8:00 p.m. His paper will be entitled "The Role of the Anesthesiologist in the Medical and Surgical Care of Patients". Long a leader in his specialty, Dr. Eversole has also taken wide interest in medical economics and the progress of organized medicine. At the present time he is Chief of the Anesthesia Department at Boston's famed Lahey Clinic.

Dr. W. Alton Ochsner, renowned Tulane surgeon, is scheduled to speak before the Society on Monday, November 25, on a subject not yet announced. This meeting will also be at the Mayo Hetel at 8:00 p. m. One of the world's best known surgeons, Dr. Ochsner has written widely of surgical technique. In his present post as dean of the Department of Surgery at Tulane University School of Medicine, New Orleans, he has taught hundreds of leading American surgeons. Only recently returned from an extended visit to South America, he is widely travelled and has appeared before medical groups in all parts of the world.

Dr. L. R. Main, dean of the School of Dentistry of St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri, who will headline the monthly program of the Tulsa County Dental Society on Tuesday, November 12. The Dental Society has very kindly requested and invited the Tulsa County Medical Society to meet jointly with it. Dr. Main's paper will deal with problems



DR. U. H. EVERSOLE

of dental x-ray, a subject of interest both to physicians and dentists. A nationally known radiologist, Dr. Main is recognized as a foremost dental educator in the United States. This meeting will be at the Tulsa Hotel at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Haven Emerson, director emeritus of the School of Public Health of Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, N. Y., who will address a joint meeting of the Oklahoma State Public Health Association and the Oklahoma State Conference of Social Workers on Thursday, November 21. All physicians have been cordially invited to attend his lecture on public health problems, which will be at 7:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church of Tulsa. A national figure in the field of public health, Dr. Emerson is now a member of the New York City Board of Health, pastpresident of the American Public Health Association, and is chairman of the com-

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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

On Tuesday, November 26, the voters of Tulsa County will go to the polls to approve or disapprove the construction of a \$1,250,000 citizens hospital of 200 beds, muchneeded by a severely underhospitalized community. Your Tulsa County Medical Society instigated this project more than two years ago, and has been a major figure in the development of the proposal to its present strategic point. This action stems from specific instructions of the membership at a special call meeting in March, 1945. The work of the past two years has been tremendous in volume and often a burden to the many members and employees of the Society who have been responsible for the prosecution of the project. I want to take this opportunity to personally thank each of these men and women for their services and sincere interest, and also to thank the large numbers of civic leaders among the laity who have contributed so much to the project.

I have little doubt, on the basis of present observations, but that the project will be approved by the voters. The need for the proposed facilities is too great for anything but a "Yes" vote. I have little doubt also but that the members of the Tulsa County Medical Society will contribute their respected influences in behalf of the project. Every doctor should know only too well the urgent necessity for a correction to our present hospital situation.

Win or lose, I feel that the Tulsa County Medical Society has made a splendid contribution to civic progress with this project. Certainly, we will, as protectors of the public health, have performed our duty in warning the public that something must be done.

Sincerely yours,

President

John C Verry

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# OU RESEARCH INSTITUTE PROJECTED

Alumni Association Sponsoring Research Unit at University of Oklahoma as Memorial to Late Dean Tom Lowry. Group Seeking Financial Assistance.

Proposals to create an extensive research foundation with facilities for clinical investigation at the University of Oklahoma's School of Medicine were receiving widespread attention from Oklahoma physicians and lay leaders last month as the School's Alumni Association pushed an initial drive for \$25,000. Expected to begin shortly after January 1, 1947, is a more intensive campaign for funds to partially finance an attractive structure and research program involving several million dollars.

In Tulsa, as in other parts of the State, both graduates and non-graduate friends of the School were being asked to purchase life memberships in the Alumni Association at \$100.00 each. While response was generally good, the Association has not attained its goal of \$25,000, estimated working costs of the finance campaign. Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society who desire to participate in this progressive action may purchase memberships from Dr. Fred E. Woodson, 908 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa.

Designed as a memorial to the vision and foresight of the late Dean Tom Low-ry, the proposed Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation and Research Institute came into being in November, 1945, when regents of the University of Oklahoma approved the proposals of the Alumni Association. The project has been developed subsequently to the point where only financial assistance is needed to place the Foundation into operation.

The Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to foster and conduct scientific medical investigation at a Research Institute. The project, both as to origin and operation, will be independent of the University of Oklahoma. An elected Board of Directors will determine the policies and activities of the Foundation and of the Research Institute. Membership on the Board is equally divided between physicians and prominent civic

and government leaders. The Board shall contain representatives of the Alumni Association, of the Oklahoma State Medical Association, and of the Faculty of the School of Medicine.

Attractive blueprints have been prepared for a three-story and basement structure to be located immediately adjacent to the campus of the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma at Oklahoma City. Property has already been obtained for this purpose. The building will have two main units, one a Cancer Research Hospital Unit to be sponsored jointly by the Oklahoma Division of the American Cancer Society, and a second for purposes of general medical research.

The Cancer Research Hospital section will have a limited number of beds with hospital facilities for modern treatment and study of patients. Special laboratory and radiation facilities will be provided. Administrative offices of the Oklahoma Division of the American Cancer Society will also be located here. This unit shall further the Division's program by providing a central point for curative treatment, and shall also permit research in Cancer to be conducted.

The General Research Section will contain completely equipped laboratories for virtually all types of investigations. Special study units for tissue, tissue culture, infectious disease, experimental medicine, experimental surgery, biochemical and general chemical investigation, endocrine and pharmacological research, optical and radiation problems, and clinical pathology shall be made available. Facilities are to be provided also for approved research studies to be supported by specified funds.

The Alumni Association, which is sponsoring the project, has already determined the interest in the proposal sufficient to justify continued activity.

# Medical Calendar

### FRIDAY, November 1st:

Office Assistants Group, Blue Cross Hospital Insurance Plan, Quarterly Premium Due On This Date. Pay at 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa. Final Date For Payment, November 9, 1946.

#### MONDAY, November 4th:

Hillcrest Hospital Staff Meeting.

#### TUESDAY, November 5th:

Medical Broadcast, "Tulsa's Hospital Problem," Radio Station KOME, 3:15 p.m. Speaker, Dr. H. Lee Farris.

#### FRIDAY, November 8th:

Final date to pay Oklahoma State Medical Association assessment of \$25.00 to avoid suspension of membership privileges.

#### SATURDAY, November 9th:

Final date to pay quarterly premium, Blue Cross Hospital Insurance, Office Assistants Group only.

#### MONDAY, November 11th:

Armistice Day. Regular meeting of the Tulsa County Medical Society postponed to Tuesday, November 12th.

#### TUESDAY, November 12th:

Tulsa County Medical Society, Scientific Program, Mayo Hotel, 8:00 p.m. Subject: "The Role Of The Anesthesiologist In The Care of Medical and Surgical Patients," Dr. Urban H. Eversole, Lahey Clinic, Boston, Massachusetts.

Medical Broadcast, "Caring For Contagious Disease In Tulsa," Radio Station KOME, 3:15 p.m. Speaker, Dr. John C. Perry.

# SATURDAY, November 16th:

Copy deadline for the December issue of The Bulletin.

#### MONDAY, November 18th:

St. John's Hospital Staff Meeting.

#### TUESDAY, November 19th:

Medical Broadcast, "Tulsa Needs Hospital Care For The Indigent," Radio Station KOME, 3:15 p.m. Speaker, to be announced.

#### THURSDAY, November 21st:

Oklahoma Public Health Association, joint meeting with Oklahoma Conference of Social Workers. Speaker, Dr. Haven Emerson, Columbia University, College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, N. Y.

# FRIDAY, November 22nd:

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

#### MONDAY, November 25th:

Tulsa County Medical Society, Scientific Program, Mayo Hotel, 8:00 p.m. Subject to be announced. Speaker: Dr. W. Alton Ochsner, professor of surgery, Tulane University, New Orleans, La.

# TUESDAY, November 24th:

Medical Broadcast, "A Vote For Progress," Radio Station KOME 3:15 p.m. Speaker to be announced.



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Dr. I. A. Nelson, 52, dean of Oklahoma clinical pathologists and a leader in state medical circles for the past twenty years, died at his Tulsa home October 21, 1946, following an illness of two years. Death was attributed to a cardiac ailment.

Born in Para, Brazil, in 1894, Dr. Nelson was the son of a prominent Baptist missionary, the late Rev. A. E. Nelson, whose pioneer work in South America won him wide acclaim. Educated at Oklahoma A. & M. College, Dr. Nelson received a medical degree subsequently at the University of Oklahoma in 1926. He practiced for a short time at Enid, Oklahoma, and came to Tulsa in 1927 as staff pathologist at St. John's Hospital. Later, he founded the Nelson Pathological Laboratories in association with his brother, Dr. I. H. Nelson. Dr. Nelson's research studies gained wide attention in national medical circles, and many of his investigations were detailed in leading medical publcatons. In 1937, he was credited with determining the lethal nature of certain products widely sold in Tulsa and responsible for several deaths, and in bringing his discovery to the attention of food and drug agents.

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# PREJUDICED VIEWPOINTS

We have not had the opportunity of seeing a new motion picture entitled "Sister Kenny" which is currently being shown in several hundred American theatres. It is a somewhat fictionized biography, we are told, of Sister Elizabeth Kenny, the Australian nurse whose methods of treatment of policmyelitis have been the subject of considerable discussion in medical circles. From the reviews and comments on the picture published in leading periodicals, it appears that medicine has been severely discredited by several incidents in the film. To the average theater-goer, usually completely uninformed as to the basis of the Kenny controversy, the picture will be an indictment of the American Medical profession as narrow-minded, medically backward, arrogant, and perhaps even morally lax in its public responsibilities. That is an unfortunate attitude to communicate to receptive audiences — audiences that will under the film's emotional impact forget the tremendous contributions to humanity which the scientists and laborers of modern medicine have made. It seems to us that this is irresponsible film making by persons who control unprecedented amounts of public opinion. The screen has become not only a medium of entertainment but also of education.

It should not be used to advocate partisan arguments or to lay undue discredit upon any individual, group, or thinking which is not contrary to the principles of American Democracy.

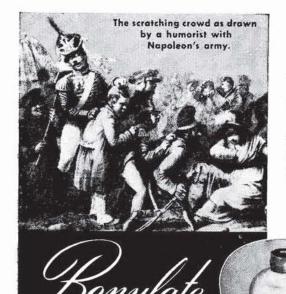
We neither advocate or condemn the Kenny method of treatment, and we repeat only common knowledge in saying that it has considerable merit. Most orthopedists now recognize the Kenny method is a valuable part of the overall treatment of infantile paralysis, but few medical doctors believe that the Kenny treatment alone is sufficient. These facts are apparently not represented in the picture, and film-goers will be led to believe that medicine has been unalterably opposed to the suggestions of Sister Kenny. It is also understood that no effort is made to illustrate the fact that most of the controversy developed from a clash of personalities and not from a dispute over the merits of the Kenny treatment.

The point which we wish to make is that the motion picture industry cannot endorse the making of partisan films which are based on irresponsible or prejudiced points of view. Unlike our newspapers, which are thousands in number and representative of every possible democratic viewpoint, our motion pictures are controlled by a half-dozen corporations who may at their discretion peddle prejudiced issues to 65,000,000 theater patrons. In fairness, let the films stick to that job which they have done so splendidly in the past—the provision of a fine form of entertainment to the American public.

#### ASSESSMENT NOW DUE

Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society who have not paid the \$25.000 special assessment of the Oklahoma State Medical Association are reminded that November 11, 1946, is the final date for payment. Members delinquent on that date are subject to disciplinary action by the Society. Make checks payable to Tulsa County Medical Society and mail to 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa.

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# SOCIETY LEVIES \$15.00 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

By action of the membership at the regular meeting of September 23, each member of the Tulsa County Medical Society was assessed the sum of \$15.00 to meet a budgeted deficit for the current year. This assessment is now due and payable and members are asked to remit to the Executive Offices not later than December 1, 1946.

Dr. John E. McDonald, secretary-treasurer, read a report of the Finance Committee which indicated that the Society had failed to vote funds to cover a \$3,042 budgeted deficit on the official budget approved by unanimous vote of the membership at the annual business meeting last December. The report pointed out that the Society had authorized the expenditure of substantial sums for several purposes, but had neglected to provide funds for expenditures above the normal operating income. About 120 members of the Society present voted to approve the assessment with only five dissenting votes.

It should be pointed out that this special assessment of \$15.00 is not to be confused with the earlier assessment of \$25.00 levied by the Oklahoma State Medical Association. While members paid the latter assessment through the local offices of the Tulsa County Medical Society, none of the funds so derived were for the use of the local group. This second assessment of \$15.00 represents the first assessment made against the local members since 1937. Voting members expressed the belief that the current deficit should be covered through a special assessment rather than by disposition of security holdings of the Society.

The report of the Finance Committee indicated that operating costs of the Society were up only very slightly, due in most cases to increased costs in caring for over 80 returned service and new members. The report also noted that the Society's action in authorizing a Service Relations Program costing \$1,500.00 alone was not accompanied by any voting of funds to enable such a program. Similarly, the report pointed out that an ex-

pensive scientific program, increased Medical Library budget, and increased equipment budget had not been accompanied by enabling funds. Also, the report stated, dues for returned service members were rescinded for the year.

# HILLCREST HOSPITAL PLANS \$2,000,000 EXPANSION

A \$2,000,000 expansion program for Hillcrest Memorial Hospital of Tulsa was announced last month by Bryce L. Twitty, administrator, with present plans calling for construction of the initial units to begin in the Spring of 1947. Immediately projected is a 200-bed addition to occupy the western half of the present hospital grounds at 1653 East 12th Street.

With several philanthropic gifts already received or promised totaling more than \$150,000, hospital officials expect to raise the balance of estimated construction costs by public subscription. It is contemplated that the proposed addition shall be "L" shaped and built in a manner to harmonize with the present structure. Only most modern equipment shall be placed in the new addition, Mr. Twitty said.

The proposed addition of 200 beds carries out earlier recommendations made by the joint hospital investigating committee of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce and the Tulsa County Medical Society. Work on a companion addition at St. John's Hospital, also recommended by the Committee, has already begun.

# SALVATION ARMY GETS OK ON NEGRO MATERNITY HOME

The Salvation Army of Tulsa has received official Community Chest approval for a \$200,000 drive contemplated by the organization to raise estimated construction costs of a home for unwed negro mothers and other structures to be erected or remodeled. It is estimated that \$120,000 will be required to build and equip the maternity hospital alone. After construction is completed, the annual maintenance cost of \$18,000,000 will be borne 60 per cent by the Community Chest and 40 per cent from other sources.



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# **PERSONALS**

DR. HARRY GREEN has resumed the practice of Dermatology at B-9 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, following his recent release from the United States Army Medical Corps. Dr. Green was stationed at several posts in Alabama and Texas and later served in the South Pacific with combat troops. Welcome back, Dr. Green.

Speakers for the Ottawa County Medical Society on October 15 were DR. JOHN E. McDONALD and DR. E. RANKIN DENNY.

DR. CHARLES E. BRIGHTON, or thopedist with the Springer Clinic, 604 South Cincinnati, Tulsa, is an applicant for membership in the Tulsa County Medical Society.

DR. THOMAS J. LYNCH has taken new quarters in the Court Arcade Building, Tulsa.

DR. GEORGE R. OSBORN is undergoing medical attention in Chicago, Il-

DR. JOHN C. PERRY has returned from a week of postgraduate study in Detroit, Michigan.

DR. H. B. STEWART has returned from a combined business and vacation trip in the East.

DR. D. M. McDONALD is reported to be enjoying a lengthy vacation at his new home in Portland, Oregon.

DR. H. W. FORD has returned from a vacation in South Carolina. Incidentally, Dr. Ford was reported killed in an automobile accident while on the trip by mistaken sources. The Tulsa County Medical Society received over 20 inquiries concerning his reported demise. Tain't so, Dr. Ford states.

DR. KARL F. SWANSON is recuperating from a broken arm.

Its a boy for DR. and MRS. IAN MacKENZIE. More proud parents: DR. and MRS. WALTER F. SETHNEY, a boy.

DR. DONALD V. CRANE has returned from a business trip to New York.

DR. RALPH A. McGILL is enjoying

a recuperative vacation at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Participants in the recent mobile cancer clinics were DR. PAUL GROSS-HART, DR. S. C. SHEPARD, DR. W. A. SHOWMAN, DR. W. CARL LIND-STROM, DR. J. K. LEE, DR. MARQUE O. NELSON, DR. A. B. CARNEY, DR. P. N. CHARBONNET, DR PHILIP M. SCHRECK, DR. JAMES STEVENSON, DR. JOHN C. PERRY, DR. ROBERT E. FUNK, DR. FRANKLIN D. SIN-CLAIR, DR. RUSSELL C. PIGFORD, DR. BERNARD L. BRANLEY, DR. T. J. HARDMAN, DR. FRANK J. NELSON, and DR. BENJAMIN W. WARD.

DR. A. RAY WILEY has been vacationing in Florida.

Speaker at a debate on socialized medicine at the Oklahoma University October 18 was DR. JAMES STEVENSON.

DR. H. A. RUPRECHT has returned a visit to Rochester, New York.

DR. DAVID SHAPIRO has taken attractive new offices at 1101 East 15th Street, Tulsa.

DR. K. C. REESE is recuperating from injuries received in an automobile accident near Enid, Oklahoma.

DR. MARCIA FITE has taken new quarters at 3505 South Peoria, Tulsa.

DR. H. P. PRICE has returned from a trip to Iowa.

DR. MARQUE O. NELSON has acquired a new airplane.

DR. ROBERT E. FUNK and DR. W. A. SHOWMAN appeared on a special broadcast on cancer at Muskogee last October 8.

DR. JOHN F. GORRELL and DR. J.D. SHIPP has moved into attractive new offices at 1109 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa.

DR. WENDELL L. SMITH has opened new offices at 2431 East Admiral, Tulsa.

DR. BENJAMIN F. GORRELL will be in New York City until next July for postgraduate medical study in Ophthalmology.

DR. D. L. GARRETT is reported improving steadily from injuries received in an automobile accident several weeks ago.

DR. PAUL E. CRAIG has been elected a member of the Tulsa Lions Club.

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# HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN

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voters.

A large number of major civic and professional groups had endorsed the hoswith other groups expected to follow pital by official membership or governing board action by the end of October, suit during this month.

Further interest in the hospital has been stimulated by the publication of tentative blue-prints for the hospital. As prepared by the United States Public Health Service, it is believed that such plans are suitable after minor alterations have been made.

Project leaders did not hold much hope for any assistance in construction from the Federal government but did point out that it was possible that certain funds made available by Congress under the recently approved Hill-Burton Hospital Construction Bill might be available in 1951. Funds under the latter act are allocated on the basis of need over a fiveyear period, and it is understood that Tulsa's needs will at best rate only a fourth year priority, and more likely a fifth year priority. This should not be interpreted as minimizing the need in Tulsa County for the proposed hospital facilities. Rather, a situation exists in Oklahoma where large blocks of counties are entirely without hospitals. This situation must be corrected first before any auxiliary facilities can be built in Tulsa County.

Concern was exhibited by civic leaders of the Tulsa negro community that the proposed hospital would not include facilities for negro care. In a public statement to the Oklahoma Eagle, negro newspaper, Dr. John C. Perry, president of the Tulsa County Medical Society, asserted that the project leaders had "never entertained any thought but that the negro community would share proportionately the facilities of the proposed hospital." Dr. Perry also invited, on behalf of the Tulsa Health Council, negro leaders to meet with the Council to discuss hospital needs in the colored community. Assurances have been given of wholehearted support from the negro population.

As presently proposed, the projected 200-bed hospital will be primarily for the care of the indigent sick with additional private facilities for the care of contagion cases, mental, tuberculosis, and polio holdover cases.

#### NOVEMBER PROGRAMS

(Continued From Page 9) mittee of the American Public Health Association which developed the muchpublicized plan for national coverage of local health service. This latter plan has been approved by the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association. His subject has not been announced, but will deal with public health.

Dr. John C. Perry, president of the Tulsa County Medical Society, emphasized last month that all physicians are welcome to attend any or all of these excellent programs. From inquiries received in the Executive Offices, it appears that doctors from a dozen area cities and towns will attend, and it is understood that a group of Oklahoma City physicians are planning to attend the Ochsner lecture. Dr. J. P. Gray, newly appointed dean of the Oklahoma University School of Medicine, is also expected to be a guest on that evening.

Social entertainment for the guest speakers is being arranged by special committees appointed by the president of the Tulsa County Medical Society.

Members should note that the appearance of Dr. Eversole has been set for a Tuesday instead of the customary Monday, so as not to conflict with any Armistice Day celebrations.

The sixth annual Presidents and Secretaries Conference of the Oklahoma State Medical Association was held September 29 at Oklahoma City, with an estimated 140 delegates in attendance. Officers of component county medical societies heard 20 speakers discuss various phases of Association activity. In attendance from Tulsa were Dr. John C. Perry, Dr. John E. McDonald, Dr. V. K. Allen, Dr. James Stevenson, and the Executive Secretary.

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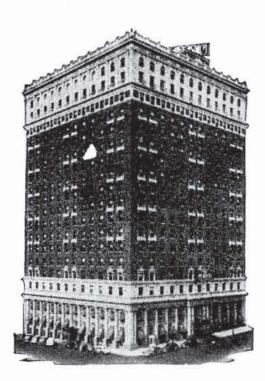
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