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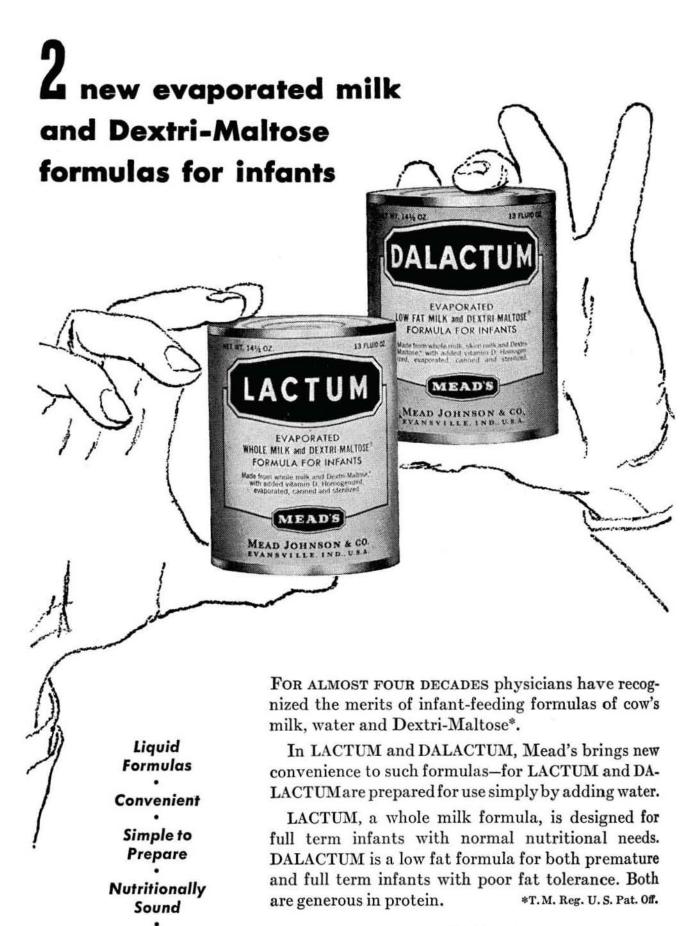
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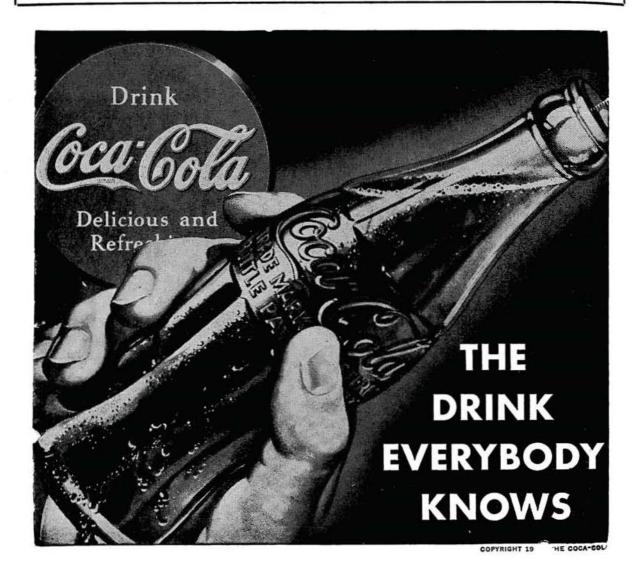
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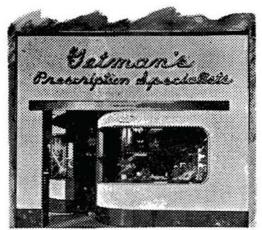
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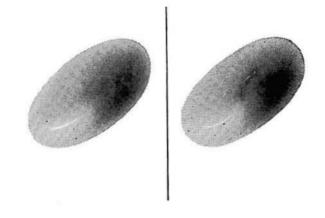
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#### MEDICAL SOCIETY REVIEWS 1950 PROGRAM

All Committees Active As Halfway Mark Nears. Public Policy Committee Praised. Attendance At Scientific Meetings Takes Sharp Jump Upwards.

In a report to the Board of Trustees late last month, Dr. Fred E. Woodson, President of the Tulsa County Medical Society, summarized the activities of the Society and its 22 standing and special committees for the first five months of 1950. Highlighting the review was special commendation for Dr. Maurice J. Searle's seven-man Public Policy Committee and its program to improve medical public relations generally and in the Tulsa area.

"Through the sincere effort and interest of the membership, both collectively and individually, in the Society and its activities, it has been possible to formulate and prosecute a beneficial program of work for 1950," Dr. Woodson said. "I am confident that within the next few months many individual projects now contemplated or already under way will crystalize to permit an even more widespread distribution of our official activities."

As outlined by Dr. Woodson on a committee basis, a summary of the Tulsa County Medical Society's activities since January 1, 1950, would include:

Bulletin Committee: Growing advertising revenues have again necessitated the expansion of The Bulletin, the second time in less than a year. Some issues will now run 32 pages, an increase of eight over the average for 1949. In content and format, the monthly publication is unchanged, continuing to emphasize news and feature articles of interest to the medical profession of Oklahoma. An editorial entitled "Random Harvest" appearing in the March issue drew wide-

spread comment and praise for its analysis of the problem of multiple health fundraising campaigns. Dr. Ralph F. Martin, Chairman, Dr. Gifford H. Henry, Dr. Benjamin W. Ward.

Cancer Committee: A program of cancer education in Tulsa County continues through the interest and cooperation of the Tulsa County Medical Society. Informative literature supplied by the American Cancer Society was distributed by the Society in February to Tulsa high school students in connection with a cancer education program conducted in the schools. Tulsa doctors were also active in the reorganization of the Tulsa County Cancer Society, local chapter of the American Cancer Society, with Dr. John E. McDonald, Tulsa orthopedic surgeon. selected as President. The local unit had raised \$10,000 in its annual fund-raising drive conducted in April and May as this issue of The Bulletin went to press. Doctors continued to staff and maintain the St. John's Tumor Clinic, indigent patient clinic for cancer sufferers (see March issue of The Bulletin), and to contribute their services to a series of mobile cancer clinics held in Eastern Oklahoma towns. Dr. Ralph A. McGill, Chairman, Dr. Emil E. Palik, and Dr. Delmas B. Jones.

Clinic Committee: The Tulsa County Medical Clinic continued to serve the indigent sick of Tulsa County under the supervision of the Society with Tulsa doctors contributing their services to daily specialty clinics. In cooperation with the Tulsa County Heart Association, a new cardiac clinic is being set up, utilizing equipment purchased jointly by the So-

ciety and the Heart Association. The Clinic's patient load is increasing slightly, measuring a decline in local employment. Dr. J. D. Shipp, Chairman, Dr. Jack O. Akins, and Dr. Edward L. Moore.

Constitution & By-Laws Committee: Under consideration for submission to the membership in the Fall are several constitutional amendments, one creating a permanent Grievances Committee, consisting of the five immediate past-presidents, to hear patient complaints. Another will propose to lower membership requirements to hold office (other than that of President) for doctors with less than the five years of membership now constitutionally required. One or two other amendments will correct minor defects in the document adopted by the Society eighteen months ago. Dr. Andre B. Carney, Chairman, Dr. Marshall O. Hart, and Dr. Iron H. Nelson.

Entertainment & Golf Committee: The annual Tulsa County Medical Society golf tournament is presently scheduled for a Thursday date, yet to be selected, in September, 1950. It will be at Indian Hills Country Club with the usual dinner and presentation of prizes to follow. Dr. Roger Q. Atchley, Chairman, Dr. Paul N. Atkins, Jr., and Dr. Averill Stowell.

Ethics Committee: A number of questions of ethics have been heard by the Committee and decisions rendered. Dr. D. L. Edwards, Chairman, Dr. Victor K. Allen, and Dr. Marvin D. Henley.

Fraudulent Practices Committee: This splendid Committee continues to work towards the correction of fraudulent medical practices in Tulsa County. The activities of this Committee will not be publicized at this time. Dr. Marshall O. Hart, Chairman, Dr. William Orlando Smith, and Dr. W. A. Walker.

Insurance Committee: The Insurance Committee has recently conducted a campaign to insure the purchase of increased malpractice protection by members of the Tulsa County Medical Society. The London & Lancashire Company, underwriters of the official Oklahoma State Medical Association group policy, reports this campaign has had marked results in the purchase of extended coverage particularly. The Committee has

also met with legal representatives of the Company in regard to pending malpractice suits. A program to educate against malpractice claims has also been effective. Two regular programs of the Society have been devoted to this subject, the most recent being a panel discussion on May 22, 1950. The health and accident policy is also proceeding satisfactorily with excellent company-policyholder relationships. Blue Cross-Blue Shield matters are also on a level keel. A complete report of activities of these two plans appears in the May issue of The Bulletin. Dr. Frank A. Stuart, Chairman, Dr. Logan A. Spann, and Dr. L. C. Northrup.

Medical Library Committee: The eftective operation of the Medical Library continues on a high level with a record patronage of doctors thus far in 1950. New and much-needed shelving has been built in the North room of the Library, a 16mm microfilm reader purchased, and some Library furniture refinished. Well in excess of 100 journals and periodicals are received and bound. A number of new textbooks have been purchased and others, new and old, have been contributed by the membership. The file of bibliographies is growing rapidly. A new set of rules has been formulated to insure more effective operation of the Library. The Medical Library Foundation is now being ironed out by Society attorneys as to legal details, and when completed will be a permanent endowment fund for the Library. Dr. John G. Matt, Chairman. Dr. Felix R. Park, Dr. Robert E. Funk, Dr. David V. Hudson, and Dr. Morris B. Lhevine.

Medical Credit Bureau Committee: Since its reorganization nine months ago the Medical Credit Bureau, official credit and collection agency of the Tulsa County Medical Society, has made remarkable progress. Collections are at a record level 350 per cent over 1949 averages. The list of doctors and dentists now patronizing the Bureau has reached 106. This represents a patronage of about 75 per cent of the self-employed membership. Dr. Paul Grosshart, Chairman, Dr. Charles G. Stuard, Dr. Harold A. White, Dr. Richard E. McDowell, and Dr. Iron H. Nelson.

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Postgraduate Study Committee: Arrangements for the Postgraduate Study Course in Internal Medicine, which completed a ten weeks course of instruction on May 23, were handled by this Committee. A Fall program may also be devised in cooperation with the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine. Dr. A. Ray Wiley, Chairman, Dr. James B. Thompson, and Dr. Safety R. First.

**Program Committee:** The Society has had eleven programs during the first five months of 1950. Six programs featured visiting nationally-known physicians and surgeons as speakers, four were presented by members of the Tulsa County Medical Society, and the eleventh meeting was a business session. Attendance has been markedly increased with two successive programs—that of April 24, featuring Dr. Frederick A. Coller, and that of May 8. featuring Dr. William P. Longmire, Jr. —each drawing more doctors than any previous programs in the history of the Society. About 75 per cent of the membership was present to hear Dr. Coller. The buffet dinners inaugurated this year have also been increasingly popular. Held once a month in the attractive Terrace Room of The Mayo, they draw of average of 70 members and visiting doctors. Dr. Berget H. Blocksom, Chairman, Dr. Albert W. Wallace, and Dr. Harold A. White.

Public Health Committee: A study of community health councils was inaugurated by the Public Health Committee with a view towards similar proposals for Tulsa. The Committee also effected the joining of the Council of Social Agencies by the Tulsa County Medical Society, participated in the health aspects of the new sewage disposal plant project for Tulsa, acted as liasion with the City Health Department and the Public Health Committee of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, and made investigations into projects sponsored by the latter groups. Dr. Frank J. Nelson, Chairman, Dr. R. W. Goen, and Dr. Margaret G. Hudson.

Public Policy Committee: In charge of administrating the Society's public relations program, the Public Policy Committee has sought to better doctor-patient relationship by an intelligent use of the press, radio, television, public speaking, legislative activity, visual education, and allied professional cooperation. each of seven members in charge of a particular phase of activity, the program has gone ahead with marked results in each line of endeavour. The public speaking phase has been particularly active with a record number of appearances by doctors and other persons before Tulsa County groups in behalf of the fight against compulsory federal health insurance. Radio, television, and press have been utilized effectively, and plans are now being laid for a special newspaper supplement devoted to an appraisal of medical and hospital facilities of Tulsa. The Newsvane, a monthly publication of the Committee, has appeared each month, offering complete information on pending medical legislation and other public relations matters. A motion picture projector has been given to the Committee for use in showing of the American Medical Association's campaign pictures. The exhibition of these films with an accompanying lecture by a physician will begin in mid-summer. Material pertaining to national medical legislation, candidates for office and their platforms, and similar information have been col-

#### REREGISTRATION FEE DUE

As provided by Oklahoma law all doctors must reregister their certificates of licensure not later than June 10, 1950, by payment of the \$3.00 annual registration fee to the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Examiners. Checks in payment of the fee should be mailed to Oklahoma State Board of Medical Examiners, 813 Braniff Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Failure to comply with this requirement of law constitutes a misdemeanor punishable by fine and/or revocation of medical license. The funds created in this manner, as defined by the Laws of Oklahoma, 1941, Title 59, Chapter Two, Section One, are used to help defray the expenses of the Board and to employ an attorney to investigate violations of medical licensure statutes.

lected and disseminated on a non-partisan factual basis. Closely cooperating with the AMA's National Education Campaign, the Committee also works harmoniously with the Oklahoma State Medical Association's Public Policy Committee. Dr. Maurice J. Searle, Chairman, Dr. Robert E. Funk, Dr. W. D. Hoover, Dr. Edward L. Moore, Dr. J. D. Shipp, Dr. H. J. Rubin, and Dr. Walter S. Larrabee.

Red Cross Blood Center Committee: Entrusted with the supervision of the Tulsa County Red Cross Blood Center, which the Society jointly sponsors with the Tulsa County Chapter of the American Red Cross, this Committee has been particularly active in meeting questions of policy and operation at the Center as they arrive Adjudged one of the Society's best accomplishments, the Center has operated harmoniously in the past year with a minimum of problems. Dr. Felix R. Park, Chairman, Dr. Berget H. Blocksom, Dr. Harold J. Black, Dr. John G. Matt, and Dr. Thomas J. Hardman.

Welfare Committee: Floral remembrances have been sent to members of the Society ill in the hospitals, and visits to the sick have also been arranged by the Committee. Dr. R. G. Ray, Chairman, Dr. H. Lee Farris, and Dr. Milford S. Ungerman.

A number of specific projects have been handled by special committees ap-

#### ROSTER ISSUE COMING

The July issue of The Bulletin will contain the annual membership roster of the Tulsa County Medical Society. Because of mechanical considerations it will not reach subscribers until July 10, 1950. Members of the Society who plan to move their offices prior to July 1, 1950, are requested to telephone the Executive Secretary at 4-8161 and give him the new address. Members whose telephone number has been changed in the last several months are also requested to call that fact to the attention of the Executive Secretary. Every effort will be made to insure accuracy. Reprints of the roster will be available about August 15, 1950.

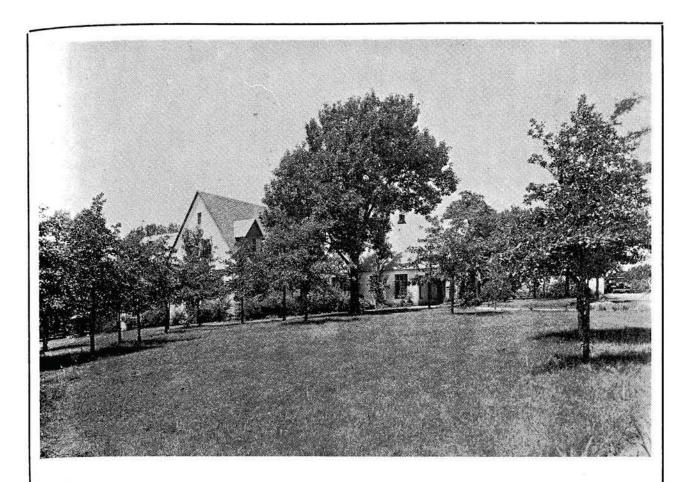
pointed by the President at the request of the Board of Trustees. These have included committees to investigate organizations requesting endorsement by the Society (and including this year the Tulsa Chapter of the National Arthritis Foundation, the Tulsa County Child Guidance Clinic, the Tulsa Medical Research Foundation, and the Practical Nurses Registry), liaision committees with the Ladies Auxiliary to the Tulsa County Medical Society, the Oklahoma Nurses Association, the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation, the Maternal Health League of Tulsa, the Tulsa Council of Social Agencies, the Junior League of Tulsa, and the Tulsa Community Chest. A special committee headed by Dr. H. J. Rubin has also reported concerning the night and emergency call situation, and this report was to have been a subject of discussion at the Society's May 22nd meeting.

## SOCIETY TO TAKE SUMMER VACATION FROM MEETINGS

The Tulsa County Medical Society will take its usual hiatus from regularly scheduled scientific meetings during the summer months of June, July, and August. Meetings will be resumed on Monday, September 11, 1950, with Dr. Robert L. Anderson, Tulsa thoracic surgeon, scheduled as speaker.

Dr. Berget H. Blocksom, Chairman of the Program Committee, has announced the names of two guest speakers already scheduled for the Fall series of scientific programs. They are Dr. Harrison H. Shoulders, former President of the American Medical Association and prominent Nashville, Tennessee, surgeon, and Dr. Charles E. Dunlap, Associate Professor of Pathology at Tulane University of Louisiana, School of Medicine, New Orleans. Dr. Shoulders will speak on September 25, 1950, and Dr. Dunlap on October 23, 1950.

DR. ROBERT E. FUNK has been named General Chairman of the 58th Annual Meeting of the Oklahoma State Medical Association to be held in Tulsa in the Spring of 1951.



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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

It has been nine months since the Tulsa County Medical Society reorganized its official credit and collection agency, the Medical Credit Bureau. The wisdom of that move—separating the functions of the Bureau from those of the already overburdened Executive Offices of the Society—has been apparent in the marked success of the Bureau since that time. Collections are 350 per cent more than they were a year ago. The list of clients—doctors and dentists who use the Bureau—has grown to a record 106, or about 75 per cent of the self-employed membership of the Society. In itself, this indication enough of the efficiency and competence with which delinquent accounts are being collected.

The benefits of patronizing the Society's own collection agency are numerous. First, it is the only Tulsa agency devoted exclusively to medical and dental accounts. There is no danger of your account being neglected while the collector concentrates on the easier and more profitable retail accounts. Second, the Bureau pays the doctor better in dollars and cents with collection fees less than any other agency. Third, the doctors make their own rules for collecting and the abuses which have marked collecting in many instances are not present to further endanger the doctor-patient relationship. Under the Society's close supervision, as much attention is given to maintaining this good relationship as to the actual collecting of the money involved.

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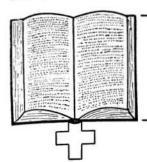
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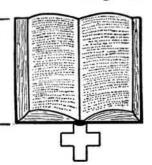
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#### GIFTS OF THE MONTH-:

Dr. Thomas J. Hardman. Subscription to Science, 1950.

Dr. I. H. Nelson. Yearbook of Pathology. 1949.

The U. S. Veterans Administration. Minutes of the Eighth Streptomycin Conference, November 10-13, 1949, Atlanta, Georgia.

#### RECENT PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE TULSA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY—:

Dr. C. E. Gilliland. The Common Cold. Proceedings of the Staff Meetings of Hillcrest Hospital. Vol. 8:153-162 (February) 1950.

Dr. Ben F. Gorrell. Sinusitis. Proceedings of the Staff Meetings of Hillcrest Hospital.

Vol. 8:162-165 (February) 1950.

Dr. R. M. Wadsworth. Hillcrest Hospital Pneumonia Cases Seen In Children Under Twelve Years, 1948-49. Proceedings of the Staff Meetings of Hillcrest Hospital. Vol. 8:166-171 (February) 1950.

#### RECENT ACQUISITIONS—:

Subscription to the new journal of vascular diseases, Angiology. Editor-In-Chief, Saul S. Samuels, M.D., Chief of the Department of Peripheral Arterial Diseases, Stuyvesant Polyclinic, New York. Williams & Wilkins Company, Baltimore, Maryland Publishers.

#### LIBRARY RULES AND REGULATIONS REVISED

At a meeting of the Medical Library Committee held on May 2, 1950, the rules governing the use of the Library were studied and revised. The following basic regulations

now prevail:

The Library is available for conference use to members in good standing of the Tulsa County Medical Society, visiting physicians, dentists, interns and residents of Tulsa hospitals, nurses, and pharmacists. Any person presenting a courtesy card signed by a member physician is also entitled to reference privileges. (Courtesy cards for this purpose may be obtained from the Librarian). This privilege is limited to a two-week period.

Books may be loaned to members in good standing of the Tulsa County Medical Society for ten days with the privilege of renewal upon request. Out of town physicians who are members of the Oklahoma State Medical Association may borrow books for two

weeks with renewal privileges if there are no immediate requests for them.

Current journals are not to be loaned to anyone.

The Library hours remained unchanged and are as follows: Monday through Friday, 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M., 2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. Saturday, 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. Tuesday evening, 6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. The Library is closed from 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

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#### TONGUE IN CHEEK

A contributor to the Peoples Forum, vox pop column of The Tulsa Tribune, last month pointedly charged the medical profession of Tulsa County with failing in large measure to exercise its constitutional right of voting a free ballot. It further insinuated that the profession, by predominately registering as democrats, had in effect given an endorsement to the Truman Administration's proposals of federal compulsory health insurance. While the letter was written in the interests of goading the negligent few Tulsa doctors into registering to vote, it had the unfortunate effect of giving some wrong impressions to the readers of the Tulsa Tribune.

A survey subsequently conducted by the Tulsa County Medical Society indicates that of a total membership of 262 only 11 per cent have failed to register with the County Election Board. That the figure of delinquents is this high is a source of no satisfaction to the Society, but certainly it is far below the 23 per cent quoted in the random sampling taken by the Forum contributor. We are of the opinion that our delinquent eleven per cent compares far more favorably than figures for other professions and industries. We take pride also that many of these delinquents have subsequently registered — thereby reducing the figure still further. Whatever the true facts may be, many Tribune readers are believers in the fallacy that a good third of the Tulsa doctors are so disrespectful of their democratic privileges as to ignore the opportunity of voting for our elected officials.

Of the other charge—that doctors, by registering as democrats, endorse federal compulsory health insurance—it must be observed that the Forum writer had a great deal of tongue in cheek. Again, it is unfortunately true that a sizeable percentage of the Forum readers are not sufficiently able or desirous of recognizing tongue in cheek when they see it. The impression remains that, logically, the doctors do endorse federal compulsory health insurance by reason of being predominately registered democrats.

In a state long identified with political control by the democratic party to the almost complete exclusion of other political parties, it has become the custom to register as democrats for the purpose of casting an effective vote in the primary elections. Only in this manner can the intent of the constitution be carried out, and only in this manner can many persons raise their voice in the selection of the candidates who will be our elected officials. It is another case of tongue in cheek.

The Tulsa County Medical Society believes the best interests of the people will be served if the statements of policy of the medical profession are left to the doctors themselves and not misinterpreted to a reading public by incomplete statistical tabulations and slyly worded insinuations.

Let the record stand forth clearly and directly stated:

Doctors vote in numbers equal to or in excess, percentage wise, of other professional and industrial groups.

Doctors—at least the doctors of Tulsa County—are unalterably opposed to federal compulsory health insurance or socialized medicine in any form.

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#### WHY SHOULDN'T THE AMA COLLECT DUES?

A Reprint of a Widely Read Statement by SAMUEL P. NEWMAN, M.D., Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Colorado State Medical Society

For the first time in its 103 years the American Medical Association has decided to charge its 140,000 members annual dues. The action was taken by the House of Delegates, the duly constituted authority of the physicians, whose members are elected by the various state societies to represent them.

Annual dues in the A.M.A. cannot exceed \$25, the House specified. The amount to be levied shall be decided by the organization's Board of Trustees and this Board has determined that the association's dues for the first year shall be \$25.

In establishing annual dues, the A.M.A. went on record as pledging that most of the dues money shall be spent in behalf of more comprehensive health insurance programs on a voluntary basis. This worthy activity will be carried out through the Council on Medical Service of the A.M.A. and will unquestionably benefit millions of Americans who prefer to buy the type of health insurance they want on their own terms and who also want to be free to select the physician and the hospital of their choice.

Newspaper comment on this action has largely been centered on the fact that dues shall be compulsory. The medical profession has been criticized for establishing dues by the national organization and yet thousands of organizations of all kinds in these United States levy and collect dues as a requisite of membership and no one says anything about that. Unions, social clubs, veterans organizations, civic groups, golf clubs, lodges, press associations and even church organizations, to mention a few, collect annual dues. If one does not pay, he is dropped from membership. Why, then, is it not proper for the A.M.A. to levy dues on its members?

Relatively few physicians and none of the general public have realized that the A.M.A. has never before received dues from its members. The A.M.A.'s many and varied activities which have benefited the medical profession and the public have been possible because sound management of the A.M.A.'s Journal has produced funds with which to carry out these endeavors.

The time has now come when additional revenue is necessary if the physicians of America, through the A.M.A., are to discharge their responsibilities to the people. These responsibilities are twofold:

- 1. To insure that every American shall have all the facts in the controversy centering about a proposal that this nation adopt socialized medicine. Physicians are pledged to spend their dollars in an educational campaign in order that the people shall have the truth and may thus make an intelligent decision.
- 2. To expand and make more readily accessible the voluntary health insurance plans which reliable sources estimate will have enrolled 50% of our population by late 1950.

It costs money to do these things. The medical profession does not have access to the federal treasury, which, for the record, is financing the campaign of those politicians and government officials who would inflict three-minute, assembly line medicine on our people. Physicians are proud to spend their own funds and feel that the newspapers and the public may find it refreshing to note that the taxpayers' hard-earned dollars are getting a rest, just for a change.

In planning for dues, the A.M.A. wisely provided that they shall not be paid by physicians who may be seriously ill, in hardship cases, by those who have been accorded retired or emeritus status by their local societies, or by interns. Decision as to those not expected to pay dues shall rest with the various state societies.

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#### JUNE MEDICAL CALENDAR

#### THURSDAY, June 1st:

Blue Cross Hospital Insurance, Physicians & Surgeons Group, semi-annual premiums due and payable on this date. Make payment through the offices of the Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa. Final date for payment, June 10, 1950.

#### FRIDAY, June 2nd:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M.

#### SUNDAY, June 4th:

House of Delegates Meeting, Oklahoma State Medical Association, Municipal Auditorium, Oklahoma City, 2:00 P.M. University of Oklahoma Alumni Association Dinner, Oklahoma City, 6:00 P.M.

#### MONDAY, June 5th:

Opening of the Oklahoma State Medical Association's 57th Annual Meeting at the Municipal Auditorium, Oklahoma City, 8:30 A.M. The convention will continue through Wednesday, June 7, 1950. For complete details see the May issue of The Journal.

Hillcrest Hospital Staff Meeting.

#### TUESDAY, June 6th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

#### FRIDAY, June 9th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M.

#### SATURDAY, June 10th:

Final date to pay the Annual Reregistration Fee of \$3.00 to the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Examiners.

Final date to pay Blue Cross Hospital Insurance, Physicians & Surgeons Group, semi-annual premium.

#### MONDAY, June 12th:

No Tulsa County Medical Society meeting on this date. Next regular Society meeting will be September 11, 1950.
Copy deadline for the July issue of The Bulletin.

#### TUESDAY, June 13th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

Public Policy Committee Meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, 1202 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, 1:00 P.M.

#### WEDNESDAY, June 14th:

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

#### FRIDAY, June 16th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M.

#### MONDAY, June 19th:

St. John's Hospital Staff Meeting.

#### TUESDAY, June 20th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 A.M.

#### FRIDAY, June 23rd:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, Clinical Conference, 8:30 A.M.

Final date to register to vote in Oklahoma Primary Election of July 4, 1950.

#### MONDAY, June 26th:

American Medical Association convention opens in San Francisco, California. No Tulsa County Medical Society meeting on this date.

#### TUESDAY, June 27th:

St. John's Tumor Clinic, 8:00 P.M.

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#### INCOME SURVEY UNDERWAY

Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society last month received questionnaires being used in a survey of physicians incomes undertaken jointly by the Bureau of Medical Economics of the American Medical Association and the United States Department of Commerce.

Doctors who have not completed this questionnaire are urged to do so at once as it represents an attempt at comprehensive analysis of physicians incomes. This survey is endorsed and conducted by the AMA. Doctors are not asked to sign their names. The forms are short, requiring only a moment to complete. Most information may be taken directly from the United States income tax returns.

#### AMA COLLECT DUES?

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It is important to note that non-payment of dues to the A.M.A. will have no effect on the local standing of a physician. He can be a member in good standing of his county and state society even though dropped by the A.M.A. if, after a period of one year, he is delinquent in his A.M.A. dues and if he further ignores a 30 day notice over and above the one year. The hospital and other affiliations of a physician in good standing locally will in no way be affected by non-payment of A.M.A. dues.

The American Medical Association and the individual American doctor do not have to apologize for failure of any contribution toward making this a great nation. The record is crystal-clear that the medical profession has done its part.

We need not apologize now, in my opinion, for the fact that our national organization has found it necessary to have membership dues. No worthwhile organization can operate without them. And if American medicine is to safeguard the health and welfare of the people by broadening voluntary coverage and by warning against inroads of the welfare state, it will require dollars.

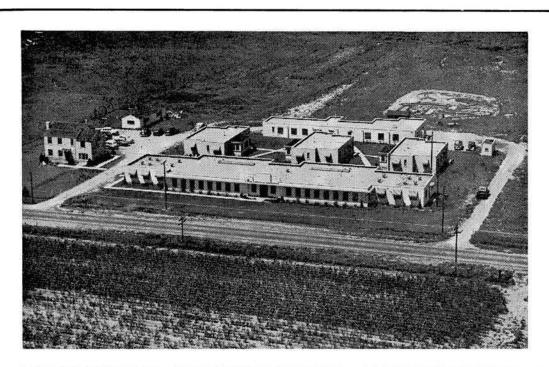
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#### LAST CALL FOR THE AMA

Members of the Tulsa County Medical Society planning to attend the 1950 Annual Meeting of the American Medical Association in San Francisco, June 26-30. must have their request for hotel reservations in by June 10, 1950. A form for requesting reservations is to be found in the Journal of the American Medical Association. All requests must be handled through the local committee and not through the hotels directly. Mail your request to Dr. William H. Rustad, AMA Hotel Committee, Room 200, 61 Grove Street, San Francisco 28, California. A deposit of \$10 per room must accompany each request.

Members of the American Medical Association can be registered in advance. It is not necessary to be a fellow in order to attend the sessions.

DR. RALPH A. McGILL was Oklahoma delegate to the American Medical Association's Conference on Atomic Medicine at Chicago May 10-11. Dr. McGill spoke before the Rotary Club of Miami, Oklahoma, on May 16.

#### BLUE CROSS PREMIUMS DUE

Semi-annual premiums for Blue Cross Hospital Insurance, Physicians and Surgeons Group, are now due and payable through the Executive Offices of the Tulsa County Medical Society. Doctors are reminded that the premium rates have been increased as outlined in the May issue of The Bulletin. Blue Cross now writes only two types of policies—single person and family coverage. The single person premium for six months is now \$8.40, family coverage \$16.80. Checks should be made payable to "Group Hospital Service." Statements will be mailed on June 1, 1950, and under Blue Cross regulations payment must be received not later than June 10, 1950. A booklet explaining the increase of premiums and corresponding increase in benefits is available at the Executive Offices.

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DR. W. A. SHOWMAN again copped top honors with his beautiful roses at the annual Tulsa Rose Show. Other prize winners included DR. MARSHALL O. HART and DR. J. W. CHILDS.

DR. RUSSELL C. PIGFORD has been seriously ill at St. John's Hospital.

DR. C. E. GILLILAND entertained the members of the Postgraduate Study Course in Internal Medicine with a reception at his home on May 21, 1950, honoring Dr. Robert Becker, instructor.

Speakers for the 57th Annual Meeting of the Oklahoma State Medical Association in Oklahoma City June 4-7 included DR. HENRY S. BROWNE, DR. HERBERT S. ORR, DR. JOE E. TYLER, and DR. ROYAL E. STUART.

DR. E. RANKIN DENNY, former Tulsa internist, is now in practice at Washington, Indiana.

DR. SUMNER Y. ANDELMAN was a speaker at the second annual meeting of the Oklahoma Rheumatism Society at Oklahoma City on Sunday, June 4, 1950.

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