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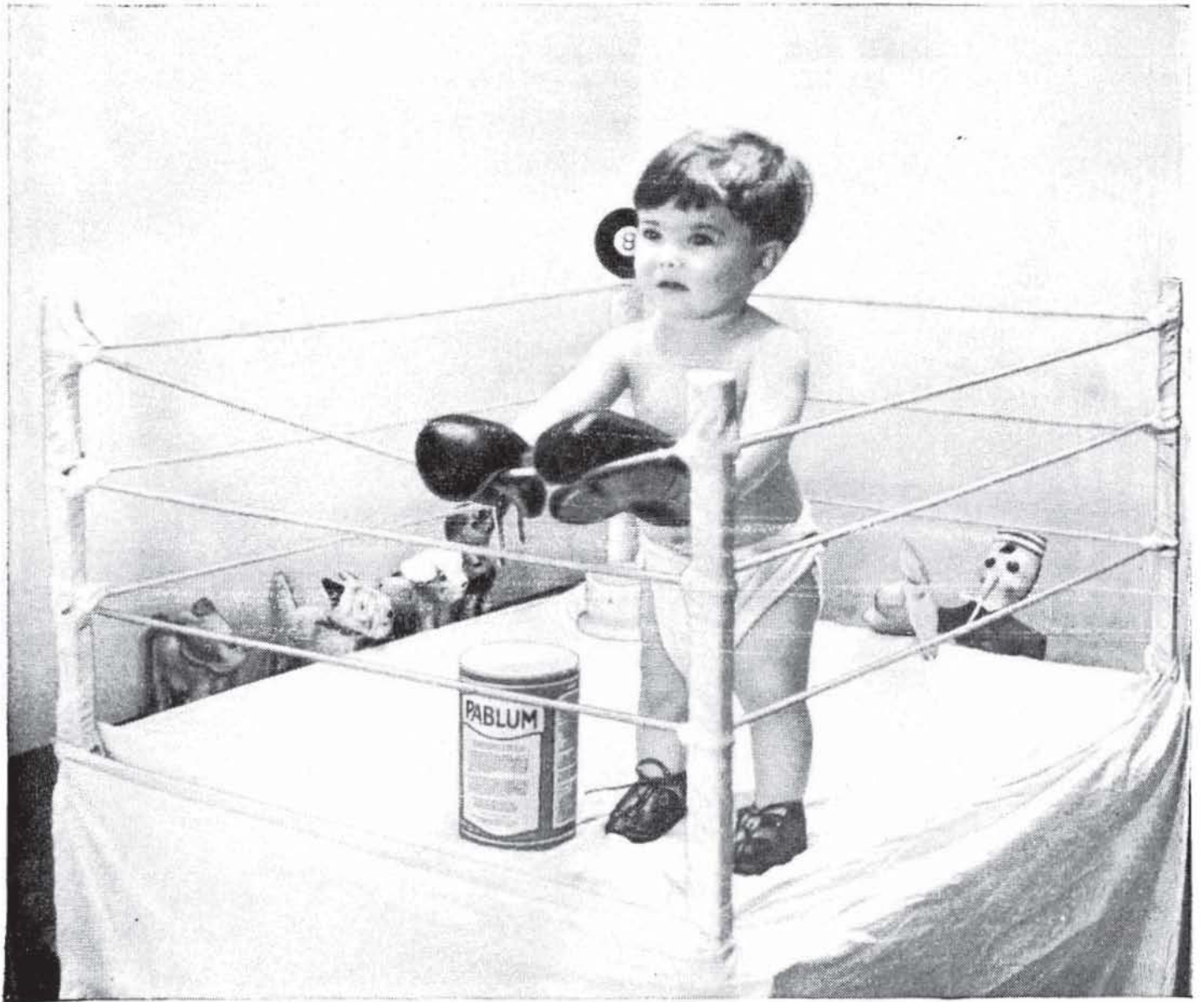
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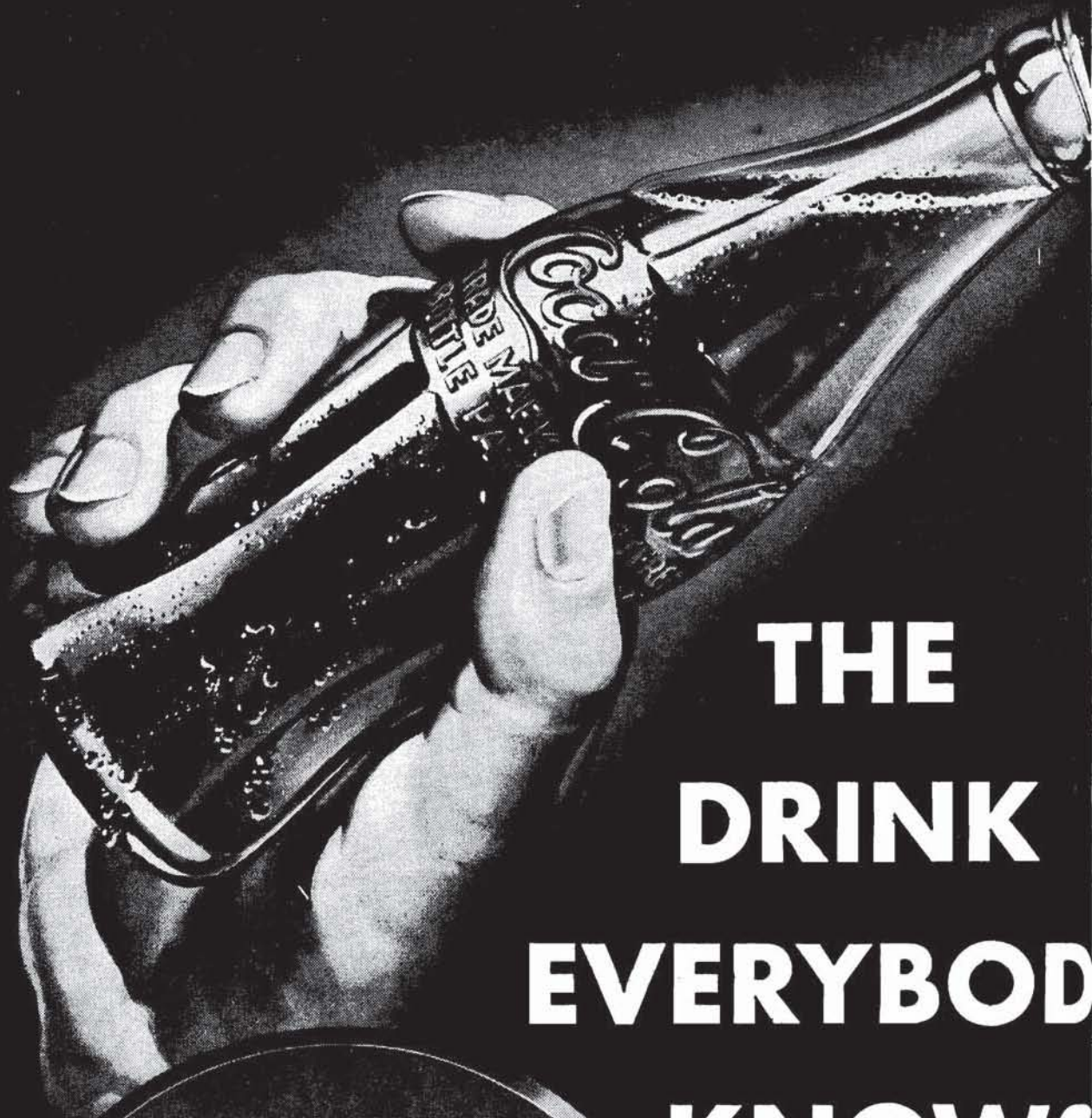
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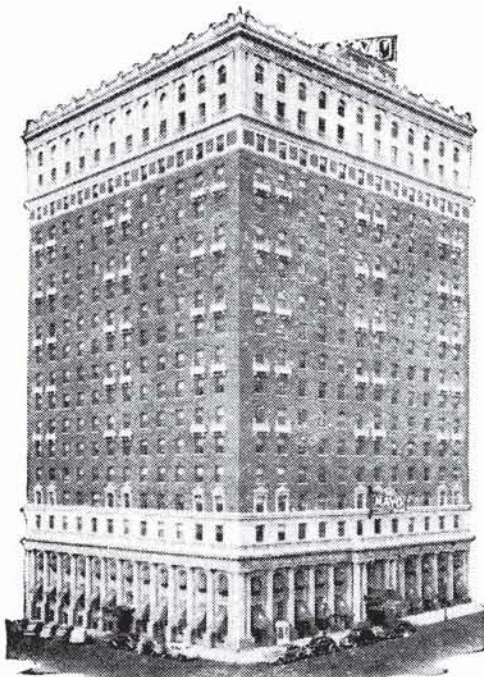
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## McGill Named President-Elect

Dr. James C. Peden Assumes Office As Society  
Names Retiring President H. B. Stewart to Board  
of Trustees. Election Is Quiet.

Dr. Ralph A. McGill, prominent Tulsa surgeon, was named President-Elect of the Tulsa County Medical Society in a comparatively quiet election at the annual business meeting of December 14. He will hold office in 1944, succeeding Dr. James C. Peden, who assumed his presidential duties on January 1.

Setting an unusual precedent, all fifteen officers and representatives were elected by acclamation. There was no opposition for any of the officers or posts.

For his services as chairman of the Program Committee during 1942, the Society elected Dr. H. A. Ruprecht as Vice-President. He succeeds Dr. Ian H. MacKenzie in office.

Dr. E. O. Johnson was retained as Secretary-Treasurer for a second year, and Executive Secretary Jack Spears was invited to continue in office for another year.

In recognition of his splendid record

as President during 1942, members awarded Dr. H. B. Stewart with a five-year term as a member of the Board of Trustees. He succeeds Dr. A. W. Pigford, retiring Board member.

Dr. J. S. Chalmers, Sand Springs physician, was selected to fill the vacancy on the Board of Censors occasioned by the expiration of the term of office of Dr. Maurice J. Searle. He will serve for three years.

Dr. Hugh Graham goes to the House of Delegates of the Oklahoma State Medical Association for a five-year term, succeeding Dr. George Osborn. The Society elected Dr. L. C. Northrup to fill the unexpired term of Dr. R. C. Pigford, now in service, as a delegate.

Alternates to the House of Delegates are Dr. James D. Markland, Dr. Mont Stanley, Dr. James L. Miner, Dr. M. O. Hart, Dr. A. W. Pigford, Dr. E. O. Johnson, Dr. R. W. Dunlap, and Dr. David V. Hudson.



Dr. James C. Peden  
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# TULSA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

## OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES FOR 1943



Dr. R. A. McGill  
President-Elect



Jack Spears  
Executive Secretary



Dr. Ned R. Smith  
Trustee



Dr. H. B. Stewart  
Trustee



Dr. John Perry  
Trustee



Dr. W. S. Larrabee  
Trustee



Dr. P. P. Nesbitt  
Trustee



# Society Had Successful Year

**Committee Reports Indicate Widespread Activity Throughout 1942, Surplus of \$3,000 Accomplished By Program of Economy. Medical Credit Bureau Has Excellent Year.**

Evidence of a successful year of widespread activity for the Tulsa County Medical Society is to be seen in an analysis of yearly committee reports as presented at the business meeting of December 14.

Organized activity continued on a high level as only two committees failed to report. In addition to regular committees appointed by the President at the beginning of the year, other special groups as the Industrial Medicine and Annual Convention committees offered excellent records of accomplishment.

Highpoints of the year's activities were:

A strong financial report indicating a net operating surplus of \$3,000 for the year. The Society paid off all indebtedness and succeeded in creating a stable financial situation despite unforeseen losses through entrance of members into military service.

Reorganization of the Medical Credit Bureau, official collection agency of the Tulsa County Medical Society, into an efficient and profitable project. A large indebtedness was paid off as the Bureau broke all-time collection records and paid the first cash profit in history.

Beneficial changes in the editorial structure of *The Bulletin*, official publication of the Society, with emphasis on articles of local news value.

Inspired work of the Insurance Committee in promoting malpractice professional insurance and in acting to prevent suits of this character from arising.

Settlement of the long-standing disputes with the Board of County Commissioners over the operation of the County Clinic, and the signing of definite agreements of policy affecting the Clinic.

Development of the Tulsa County Medical Library to a high degree with emphasis on personalized service for doc-

tors using the library and its facilities.

Other activities are indicated in the brief outlines of committee reports as follows:

## **Bulletin Committee**

The *Bulletin*, official publication of the Tulsa County Medical Society, adopted a policy of interpreting national and local medical news from the standpoint of the Tulsa County doctor. Most popular of new features introduced was a section listing medical articles in lay magazines. No scientific medical articles were published.

Despite declining advertising trends, *The Bulletin* continued to maintain a normal rate of advertising. Sale of advertising space paid for all costs of printing and mailing, returned an average net profit of \$122.00 each month to assist on defraying other Society expenses. The advertising budget estimate of \$2,500 was exceeded by more than a hundred dollars.

Committee members deserving credit are Dr. B. W. Ward, Dr. Philip Schreck, and Dr. H. N. Schwartz, the latter now in service.

## **Civic Relations Committee**

Dr. A. Ray Wiley's Civic Relations Committee played an invaluable part in drawing up the civic health program for the 1942 schedule of work for the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce. Later in the year, it promoted the entrance of the city into a valuable health rating contest conducted nationally. More recently, members of the Committee met with Governor Robert S. Kerr to discuss proposed immunization legislation for the state.

In addition to Dr. Wiley, valuable services were rendered by Dr. John Perry, Dr. Hugh Graham, Dr. Ned R. Smith, Dr. W. A. Dean, Dr. A. W. Pigford, and Dr. J. E. McDonald

**Clinic Committee**

The Tulsa County Clinic continued to operate harmoniously through the generous cooperation of members of the Tulsa County Medical Society. A disagreement early in the year with the Board of County Commissioners was quickly settled and a future statement of policy was obtained. Machinery for arbitrating grievances between the Society and the Commissioners was set up through the Tulsa Council of Social Agencies.

The number of patients treated at the Clinic showed a continual decline. This situation was due mostly to the improved financial condition of patients, enabling them to secure medical attention elsewhere. The completion of treatment for many more-or-less chronics served to reduce the number of patients treated.

Dr. R. A. McGill, Dr. P. P. Nesbitt, and Dr. James D. Markland did valuable work as committee members.

**Constitution & By-Laws Committee**

Three amendments were introduced by the Constitution & By-Laws Committee during the year, amending the by-laws and correcting or clarifying certain passages. The amendments provided for clarification of the dates for payment of dues, adjustment of the committees to be named each year, and reduction of the number of monthly meetings at the discretion of the Trustees.

Dr. Hugh Graham, Dr. Ian MacKenzie, and Dr. O. C. Armstrong were members of the Committee.

**Credit Bureau Committee**

Collections for the Medical Credit Bureau, official collection agency of the Tulsa County Medical Society, set a new high of \$20,000 for 1942. An indebtedness of \$1,500 was repaid and during the last six months the Bureau reimbursed the Society for the part-time services of the Executive Secretary to the amount of \$880.00. A surplus of approximately \$500.00 was on hand at the year's end.

Normal seasonal slumps were lacking and collections during the hot summer months were best of the year. The bulk

of accounts were collected at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$  per cent, with 25 per cent of the accounts at the unusually low fee of 20 per cent. Only a few accounts were assessed the top fee of 50 per cent. Fees were adjusted on a cost basis as the Medical Credit Bureau is designed as a non-profit organization. Four full-time employees are now serving the Bureau. Salaries have been adjusted three times during the year to compensate them for their increasing collection abilities.

Dr. Paul Grosshart, Dr. I. H. Nelson, and Dr. Fred Perry were members of the Credit Bureau Committee.

**Entertainment Committee**

Dr. Carl Simpson's Entertainment Committee arranged two attractive and entertaining social events during the year: a Buffet Supper honoring members called to service was held August 18 at the Tulsa Club, and the Annual Golf Tournament was July 28 at Southern Hills Country Club. Dr. W. A. Showman and Dr. R. B. Witcher assisted in these events.

**Finance Committee**

Due to a program of economy in the Executive Offices, the Tulsa County Medical Society finished the year with a cash surplus of \$3,000.00. Sizable reductions were made in nearly all items of expense with largest expenditures being made for salaries, library, and Bulletin printing costs. Dues were collected 100 per cent. All indebtedness of the Society has been paid. The Committee investigated finances in July and a second yearly report will be made shortly.

It appears likely that 1943 will be a more difficult year from a financial standpoint as the Society will feel the loss of dues from members entering service. Advertising revenues may decline and the operating expenses will probably increase slightly due to war measures.

Committee members are Dr. R. Q. Atchley, Dr. C. H. Eads, and Dr. D. L. Edwards.

**Insurance Committee**

The Insurance Committee arranged

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## RECENT ACCESSIONS

### New Books—

**Osler's Principles and Practice of Medicine**, new (14th) edition, by Henry A. Christian, M.D., 1942. The gift of Dr. Lewis J. Moorman of Oklahoma City.

**Occupational Diseases: Diagnosis, Medicolegal Aspects and Treatment**, by Rutherford T. Johnstone, M.D., 1941. The gift of the Auxiliary to the Tulsa County Medical Society.

**A Manual of Pharmacology: Its Applications to Therapeutics and Toxicology**, by Torald Sollman M.D., new (6th) edition, 1942. The gift of the Auxiliary to the Tulsa County Medical Society.

**When Doctors Are Rationed**, by Dwight Anderson and Margaret Baylous; 1942 Donor, anonymous.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following members of the Tulsa County Medical Society are contributing one or more current medical journals, to the library each month for the year 1943. We greatly appreciate this generosity and interest.

Dr. R. Q. Atchley  
Dr. S. J. Bradfield  
Dr. J. C. Brogden  
Dr. W. A. Dean  
Dr. E. R. Denny  
Dr. Joseph Fulcher  
Dr. W. Albert Cook  
Dr. H. B. Stewart

Dr. S. Goodman  
Dr. Hugh Graham  
Dr. A. H. Davis  
Dr. David V. Hudson  
Dr. James D. Markland  
Dr. Ian MacKenzie  
Dr. H. D. Murdock  
Dr. Fred E. Woodson

Dr. M. O. Nelson  
Dr. Frank J. Nelson  
Dr. A. W. Roth  
Dr. K. C. Reese  
Dr. R. C. Pigford  
Dr. P. P. Nesbitt  
Dr. W. J. Trainor

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## OF INTEREST

A paper entitled, "Atypical Pneumonia," by Dr. Samuel Goodman, was published in the December issue of the Journal of the Oklahoma State Medical Association.

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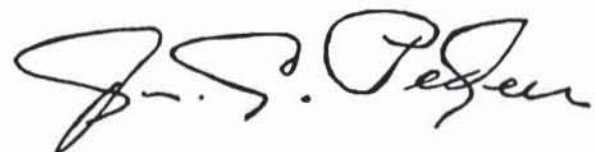
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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

With the entrance of America into the second year of conflict, the medical profession of this country enters into a serious and trying period that will bring even greater problems to the physician and surgeon. These problems are to be felt here in Tulsa County, and it shall be the duty of the Tulsa County Medical Society and its officers and members to solve these problems to the best of their abilities. It is certain that the New Year will bring more demands by the armed services on our doctors. It is likely that a dislocation of medical personnel may affect this city before the end of the year. And it is equally certain that every doctor shall have the busiest schedule of practice in his professional career.

Naturally, the solving of these problems will require cooperation. Particularly, it will require cooperation of the doctors themselves despite the heavy demands placed upon them. I trust that you will continue to provide the Society, its officers, and the Executive Office with the same brand of excellent cooperation demonstrated in the administration which I succeed. In this manner we shall meet our problems and solve them.

Sincerely,



President.

# Medical Calendar

**FRIDAY, January 1st:**

Members are reminded that 1943 dues of \$34.00 are due and payable on this date. Checks may be sent to the Executive Offices or directly to Dr. E. O. Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer, 208 Medical Arts Building, Tulsa.

The Executive Offices will be closed in observance of New Year's Day.

**SATURDAY, January 2nd:**

Medical Broadcast, Radio Station KTUL, 12:30 p.m. Dr. Marvin D. Henley, speaker.

**MONDAY, January 4th:**

Hillcrest Hospital Staff Meeting.

**FRIDAY, January 8th:**

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

**SATURDAY, January 9th:**

Medical Broadcast, Radio Station KTUL, 12:30 p.m. Dr. John Perry, tentative speaker.

**MONDAY, January 11th:**

Annual inaugural meeting, Tulsa County Medical Society, Mayo Hotel, 8:00 p.m. Inauguration of Dr. J. C. Peden as president. A motion picture in sound and color, "Peptic Ulcers", will also be shown.

**SATURDAY, January 16th:**

Medical Broadcast, Radio Station KTUL, 12:30 p.m. Dr. Marvin D. Henley, speaker.

**MONDAY, January 18th:**

St. John Hospital Staff Meeting.

**TUESDAY, January 19th:**

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

**FRIDAY, January 22nd:**

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

**SATURDAY, January 23rd:**

Medical Broadcast, Radio Station KTUL, 12:30 p.m. Dr. A. Ray Wiley, tentative speaker.

**MONDAY, January 25th:**

Tulsa County Medical Society meeting for this date is indefinite and may be cancelled. Members will be notified in advance if meeting is to be held.

**SATURDAY, January 30th:**

Medical Broadcast, Radio Station KTUL, 12:30 p.m. Dr. Marvin D. Henley, speaker.

**The BULLETIN***Editorial**Committee*

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A considerable amount of resentment has developed among certain Tulsa County doctors who feel that they have been unfairly treated in the rationing of gasoline. In several instances this resentment is entirely justified as the amount of gasoline provided is undoubtedly inadequate to professional needs. Further loss of valuable time will be incurred when the doctor attempts to secure additional gasoline.

It must be observed, however, that the Gasoline Rationing Board acted in a spirit of fairness. It is not their intention to deny necessary gasoline to any legitimate physician and surgeon, and it was not their intention for these initial injustices to occur. The rationing of gasoline to sixty thousand applicants is a tremendous job in itself, and it should be expected that mistakes of this character will be made. They are an unfortunate but unavoidable part of the rationing process.

The local Gasoline Rationing Board is not trying to save gasoline but to conserve rubber, which is the original purpose of gasoline rationing. The doctor should keep this fact in mind, and also the fact that medical attention is of prime importance to the community.

Consequently, he should not curtail his practice because original gasoline allowances are inadequate.

The Tulsa County Medical Society has been assured that there is no intention of denying gasoline to the doctor, and local medical men when in need of gasoline should make their demands to the Gasoline Rationing Board for extra amounts. It will be accomplished as rapidly as possible.

The doctor should, however, make a definite effort to conserve gasoline and rubber. Many doctors had their asking allowance reduced by the Board because the latter felt that such a measure would assist in conserving rubber. The gasoline is available, but additional allowances should not be sought unless absolutely necessary. The doctor is "on the spot" as it is with his driving privileges. For the sake of public opinion a careful rationing program of his own is in order.

Members who failed to pay their Group Hospital Service premiums by the due date of December 21, 1942, may be reinstated by payment of this premium before the next due date of June 1, 1943.

**Dear Doctor:**

The Public Relations Committee has called your attention to the entrance of Tulsa in the Health Conservation Contest sponsored by the National Chamber of Commerce. The Department of Health needs your assistance in making a good showing for Tulsa. You can assist us by prompt reporting of communicable diseases and by filling out birth and death certificates as soon as possible. The reporting and filing of the aforementioned is one of the main scoring points. How about helping us?

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# Of Special Interest!

## 1943 DUES NOW PAYABLE; TWO PAYMENTS PERMITTED

Tulsa County Medical Society members are reminded that 1943 dues are \$34.00, two dollars higher than last year, and are now due and payable to the Executive Office, 1202 Medical Arts Building, or to the Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. E. O. Johnson, 208 Medical Arts Building.

The increase in dues is due to the raising of state association fees from \$10.00 to \$12.00. No increase was made by the Tulsa County Medical Society. Members now pay \$22.00 county and \$12.00 state dues. These dues may be divided into two equal payments, one due not later than March 1, the second due not later than August 1. New members entering practice for the first time pay \$22.00.

## SOCIETY HONORS AUXILIARY FOR 1942 SERVICES

In appreciation of their kindnesses during 1942, the Tulsa County Medical Society at the meeting of December 14 unanimously approved a resolution of thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary. Introduced by Dr. R. W. Dunlap, the resolution reads:

Whereas, the Ladies Auxiliary to the Tulsa County Medical Society has conducted a program of work during 1942 of benefit to the medical profession, and

Whereas, the Ladies Auxiliary has made several generous gifts to the Tulsa County Medical Society, and

Whereas, the Ladies Auxiliary has cooperated with the Tulsa County Medical Society at all time with willing spirit,

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## CLINIC REPORT

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Dermatology .....	22
Rectal .....	11
Pediatrics .....	14
Tumor .....	25
Varicose Veins .....	15
Tonsils .....	3
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## Lay Medical Articles

A list of medical articles in popular lay magazines is published by The Bulletin each month for the purpose of providing a ready reference for Tulsa County physicians. In this manner, they are more readily able to answer questions of patients stemming from these articles.

**"Enter Atabrine-Exit Malaria"**. By Paul DeKruif. Reader's Digest, December, p. 58. A new drug for malaria and its value to tropical troop units.

**"Psychosurgery"**. Time, November 30, p. 48. The use of the surgeon's knife to ease underlying psychopathic tensions.

**"Block That Blood Clot"**. By Hannah Lees. Colliers, December 26, p. 64. A new weapon in the fight against embolisms.

**"C For Asthma"**. Time, December 14, p. 56. The use of Vitamin C in treating hayfever.

**"Fluorescein Makes Blood Circulation Visible Under Ultraviolet Light"**. Life, November 30, p. 9. A new aide to the diagnostician.

**"Nicotine And Babies"**. Time, December 7, p. 53. Evidence that smoking by pregnant mothers does not harm the child.

**"A Quick Repair For Broken Bones"**. By Elsie McCormick. Reader's Digest, December, p. 58. The use of the 'Stader Splint' in setting broken bones.

**"Animals As Allies"**. By Priscilla Jaquith. Coronet, December, p. 50. The animal in the manufacture of medical serums.

**"Negro Health"**. Time, December 14, p. 56. Are the negroes healthy?

**"To Sleep Or Not To Sleep"**. By Louise Fox Connell. Glamour, December, p. 62. The ins and outs for the insomniac.

**"So You Think Your Home Is Cold?"** By H. I. Phillips. American, January, p. 64. Medicine and the cold house.

**"Doctor Shortage"**. By Maxine Davis. Saturday Evening Post, December 12, p. 22. Some facts on the medical situation of the home front.

**"The Town Without A Toothache"**. By J. D. Ratcliffe. Colliers, December 19, p. 58. An unusual record of an unusual situation.

## PERSONALS

Lt. and Mrs. HERBERT N. SCHWARTZ announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Beth, on December 9, 1942. Dr. Schwartz is now stationed with the U. S. Army Medical Corps at Camp Gruber, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

In-service members visiting in Tulsa during December included Lt. J. D. SHIPP and Lt. ROY L. SMITH.

DR. J. E. WALLACE has returned to practice after a brief illness.

DR. E. W. REYNOLDS has transferred his membership from the Creek County Medical Society to the Tulsa County Medical Society. He is associated with the Tulsa Clinic at 915 S. Cincinnati.

R. H. GRAHAM, Executive Secretary of the Oklahoma State Medical Association, has returned to his post after four months in Washington, D. C., as advisor to the Office of Procurement and Assignment.

DR. P. N. CHARBONNET has returned to practice after recuperating from injuries received in an automobile accident.

DR. EUGENE WOLFF, now in service, was a December visitor en route to a new assignment somewhere in Georgia.

DR. MARVIN D. HENLEY was a December speaker for two radio broadcasts.

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for the transfer of the master policy of the London & Lancashire Group Malpractice Policy to the Oklahoma State Medical Association. This was done inasmuch as the Tulsa County Medical Society felt that it had accomplished its original purpose in establishing this policy, and inasmuch as the state organization was in a better position to promote the policy further.

The Committee provided valuable assistance in fighting malpractice suits of unjustified character, in promoting a campaign to educate against the arising of malpractice suits, and investigating all applicants for policies under the group policy.

Assistance in furthering the work of the Blue Cross hospital insurance plan in the state was given by Committee Members V. K. Allen, J. D. Shipp, and J. S. Chalmers.

**Legislative Committee**

The Legislative Committee secured expressions of opinion on medical subjects from candidates in the primary and general elections, provided Society members with information on their past record. Later, this committee assisted in organizing a campaign to secure support for federal legislation to exempt the medical profession from the terms of Federal Anti-Trust laws. More recently, it recommended that the Society refuse the proposed law to provide free obstetrical and pediatric care for wives and children of service men by agreeing to provide such service themselves without charge.

Dr. George Osborn, Dr. R. M. Shepard, and Dr. R. C. Pigford did valuable work in this connection.

**Industrial Medicine**

Dr. F. L. Flack's Industrial Medicine Committee in cooperation with the Oklahoma State Medical Association arranged for a meeting of industrial physicians and executives in November in Tulsa to discuss mutual problems. However, it became necessary to cancel the meeting due to the inability of the men

to attend, a situation occasioned by the war and its requirements of industry.

**Library Committee**

The Tulsa County Medical Library experienced an unusual growth as patronage and circulation made huge advances. The Library received 107 new textbooks, 1586 periodicals, and cash gifts of \$171.82. The Library served an increasing number of doctors as well as medical personnel stationed with Tulsa service units. Fifty-six libraries in other cities were provided with duplicate material. Information continued to be provided by telephone as well as through personal contacts in the library. Sixty current journals are now received regularly. Through careful economy, the Library enters the year with a net surplus of \$49.55.

For their outstanding work in connection with the Library, the following are to be complimented: Dr. David V. Hudson, Dr. E. Rankin Denny, Dr. M. D. Spottswood, Dr. John Matt, and Dr. J. C. Brogden. Much personal credit is due to the librarian, Mrs. Veneta R. Barlow.

**Medical Economics Committee**

Dr. James Stevenson, in association with Dr. Frank Stuart and Dr. D. J. Underwood, was instrumental in constructing a plan to provide medical care for Tulsa defense workers on a prepaid basis. This plan, although approved by the Society, was ignored by Tulsa defense plants. The Committee adopted a policy of interesting itself in any phases of medical economics which were pertinent to this locale.

**Program Committee**

Thirteen meetings were held by the Tulsa County Medical Society in 1943, of which three were business meetings. The remainder were scientific in character. Guest speakers included Lt. Col. Reed Harding, Dr. Fred E. Angle, Lt. Col. L. W. Ballantyne, and Major L. H. Ritzhaupt, among others. Local members provided many interesting programs and the medical and surgical symposiums were particularly well re-

ceived. Program expense was \$160.64 for the year, a savings of \$90.00 over the budgeted figure.

Committee members to be credited include Dr. H. A. Ruprecht, Dr. G. H. Henry, and Dr. Eugene Wolff.

#### **Publicity Committee**

Dr. M. J. Searle's Publicity Committee retained control over publicity affecting medical matters in this area, secured excellent results in particular in publicizing and promoting the Post graduate Course in Internal Medicine which opened in October

#### **Welfare Committee**

The Welfare Committee continued to provide flowers for members who were ill and who had passed away, and to visit the sick. Resolutions of sympathy were prepared and introduced for approval for members who died. Dr. R. W. Dunlap, Dr. S. C. Venable, and Dr. R. G. Ray were active in this work.

#### **Military Service Committee**

A five-man committee was intrusted with the task of classifying members for military service and acting as liaison officer with the Procurement and Assignment Service. This was performed as impartially as possible and without regard to personal considerations except where so provided by federal regulations. For their work in this respect Dr. James L. Miner, Dr. C. C. Hoke, Dr. J. F. Gorrell, Dr. W. Albert Cook, and Dr. Henry S. Browne are to be thanked

#### **Fraudulent Practices Committee**

Headed by Dr. L. C. Northrup, the Fraudulent Practices Committee brought complaints against a number of alleged medical practitioners who were definitely fraudulent in character. Most of these were forced to discontinue their "practice" and many left Tulsa. Complaints were lodged with the Better Business Bureau and the Tulsa Police Department. Close check was kept on all individuals and organizations having business dealings with doctors, and many shady schemes were averted by prompt filing of complaints.

#### **Other Activities**

The Executive Office rendered many

other services including administration of license tags and driver's licenses, and supervision of the weekly radio broadcasts. Speakers were furnished to many agencies. The Executive Offices were refurnished and a number of additional pieces of furniture were added. Cooperation with social and civic agencies was maintained. Relations with members now in service were kept on a high plane, and a space priorities plan was negotiated with the Medical Arts Building.

Much of the success of the Annual Convention of the Oklahoma State Medical Association in Tulsa last April may be attributed to the excellent work of many members of the Tulsa County Medical Society. Dr. R. C. Pigford, Dr. W. A. Showman, Dr. E. Rankin Denny, and Dr. J. E. McDonald were particularly active.

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