

PCHA Medical Doctors Quit in Osteopath Dispute

Medical doctors serving in People's Community Hospital Authority facilities took their case, involving admission of osteopaths, to the public last week with an open letter pointing out that "deterioration of medical care in your hospitals is imminent."

The half-page advertisement in a group of weekly newspapers was the opening

blast in a long-simmering dispute which had the chief of staff at the Outer Drive Hospital, Lincoln Park, and seven other doctors resigning and 58 other doctors "withholding their services" at the Seaway Hospital, Trenton.

Signing the ad in the name of the "Executive Committee of Outer Drive Hospital" were Dr. John Foote,

chief of staff; Dr. Thomas Ganos, chief of general practice; Dr. George Schmidt, committee secretary; Dr. Cornelius Derrick, chief of pediatrics; Dr. August Mitchell, Dr. Arthur Morley, and Dr. Thomas Temaglia.

All but Mitchell, Morley and Temaglia resigned last week after the PCHA Board, which has 42 members from 23 communities, in-

cluding Garden City and Westland, approved an additional six osteopaths for admission into the authority's hospitals. The action brought the total number of D.O.'s to 16, all within the past six weeks.

The doctors claimed that the board gave way to "political pressure" in admitting the osteopaths.

In addition, the Medical Advisory Committee had recommended that the D.O.'s not be allowed to practice in the PCHA hospitals but the board of directors overruled the committee, anyway.

Another point cited in the letter was how the medical doctors are expected to supervise the work of the osteopaths, there are no by-laws permitting that.

Although the work of all medical doctors, the committee continued, "is given careful surveillance by other medical doctors, the work of the osteopaths will go unsupervised, at least by the medical doctors."

The M.D.'s also stressed that they don't want to "assume responsibility for the

practice by a group that has rejected our offers of amalgamation."

The osteopaths have "clearly demonstrated their desire to remain separate from medical doctors" as they have voted against amalgamation in a state-wide poll.

The doctors also tore into the board of directors of the hospital authority for turning down a request for an intensive care unit for lack of funds while later approving monies for "lavish dinners, rentals, liquor and the like."

"You are being short-changed," the doctors said in the letter.

"There was similar neglect of your welfare in the late 1950's," the doctors continued. "We sought to recruit interns and resident doctors, a practice commonplace at most hospitals. The request was rejected. To this day, you do not enjoy the benefits of intern and resident services."

About a year ago, the doctors reminded the public, they "warned of the tactics of the PCHA governing board. Now we are seeing our worst fears realized. Politics and the Attorney General's charge of misuse of public funds are only the beginning. The deterioration of your medical care could become even worse."

"The only method of protecting you, the patients, is to restore the governing of our actions to us. We medical doctors must have, above all else, the restoration of our medical by-laws. Further, the replacement of many of the present members of the governing board is essential to obtaining a majority dedicated to patient well-being instead of politics, and we intend to see this accomplished."

The 20 doctors who will withhold their services from the Seaway Hospital indicated that this action is the only way to express their opposition to the board's policies.

Dr. Robert J. Solomon, named to replace Foote as chief of staff at Outer Drive Hospital, said he hoped that he could serve as "a peacemaker" in the controversy.

Farmington Man Held in Murder of Friend

An argument over a \$50 debt in Farmington Township ended in death early Sunday morning when 22-year-old John Lee Ott of 22570 Tonne allegedly shot and killed his long time friend Donald Garren, 23, of 21756 Whittington.

Police said that the shooting occurred about 1 a.m. on Sunday morning. According to reports Ott appeared at Garren's home during a party attended by several members of the Drifters Motorcycle Club to which both belonged.

Ott apparently demanded \$50 which he said Garren owed him for help in a house painting job. Garren evidently fired one shot from a .22 caliber pistol

hitting no one and Ott left. Ott returned shortly afterward with a rifle and each man fired several shots at each other.

Garren, who was shot in

the chest and abdomen, died an hour later in Buttsford General Hospital. Ott fled the scene. Another individual at the party, Sherman Little, 19, of 21636 Whittington was also injured, but refused treatment at Buttsford.

Farmington Township Police Irving Yakes said that the cause of Little's injuries was still being investigated.

Ott stood mute at his arraignment yesterday on the charge of murder. He is currently being held in the Oakland County Jail with an examination scheduled for the Township's Justice Court on Friday.

Officer Gordon Ross of the Township Police was the first to answer the call. The case was turned over to the Township Detective Bureau.

Detective Earl Trepples handled the investigation at the scene. Detective William Kelly handled the various statements of witnesses to the incident.

Chief of Detectives Russell Conway went to Ott's father's

home on Sunnydale in Farmington. The younger Ott was not there at the time, but while Conway was at the house a brother, Melvin Ott, 28, of 18860 Poinciana, Redford Township, called. Conway asked him if he knew where his brother was and Ott replied that he did but didn't think that he would give himself up. He promised to talk to him and call Conway back.

"About a half hour later Melvin pulled up in front of his father's home," Conway said, "and said that he would take me to see his brother if I would go alone. I was

unarmed and we were not followed."

When Conway contacted the pair set off and traveled down Eight Mile to Merriam. On Merriam Rd. they stopped in front of a small woods near Seven Mile in Livonia and Ott came and got in the car. By now it was 4 a.m.

The trio talked and finally ended up at Melvin's home in Redford Township. At 6 a.m. according to Conway Ott agreed to give himself up.

Police said that a foreign made rifle found at Melvin Ott's home was being tested

to determine if it was the gun that killed Garren.

According to the police the two had been friends for a long time. Both were married, but separated from their wives. Ott is employed as a bench hand at Zimmerlight Co. of Detroit and Garren, who did odd jobs, was reportedly unemployed for the last few weeks.

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BRUCE A. MARTIN, 17, (second from right) accepts Western Electric Merit Scholarship certificate from Manager A. D. Johanson of the Company's Michigan Distributing House (far right). Waiting to congratulate him are (left to right) his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Martin, and Frederick Stefanski, principal of Northville High School, where Bruce was graduated this year.

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TEEN SCENE—That's the new name for the youth action center at the 1966 Michigan State Fair, Aug. 26 through Sept. 5. It was chosen by teen-agers, members of the Youth Advisory Committee comprised of Greater Detroit high school students. Cheryl Gibbs, 6601 Whitty, Garden City (Garden City High) discusses entertainment possibilities with State Fair General Manager Walter A. Goodman.

Weaver School President

Garden City's Board of Education has a new set of officers following last week's annual organizational meeting.

Richard D. Weaver, a local insurance agent, was elevated from vice president to president by his six colleagues.

Board Secretary William Keith moves up to the vice president's position while Trustee John Parry and Gerald Engwist assume the duties of secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Weaver, a board member for six years, replaces Raymond Kenyon while Engwist succeeds Russell Millar. The new president was re-elected to another two-year term in the June 13 school board election.

The new board president is 48 and lives with his family at 28716 Brandt Court. He is affiliated with McFarlane-King Insurance Agency, 28220 Ford Road.

Bennett Fills Board Seat In Wayne

A former Wayne Community School Board member, Austin Bennett, 43, of 36907 Thibault, Wayne, was appointed last week to fill a vacancy on the board.

Bennett, sales supervisor of a local oil company, in Wayne, replaces Forrest Woodward, Jr., who resigned June 18 over the five-day strike by Wayne teachers.

The new board member had previously served on the board from 1959 to June, 1963, during which time he was elected secretary and treasurer.

The appointment came just two days before the June 30 deadline as set by state school law for picking a successor. If no decision was made in time, the choice would be made by the Wayne County Intermediate Board of Education.

Mentioned as possibilities for the vacancy created by Woodward were Jack Maloney, who finished second in the June 13 school board election, and John Ryan, another former board member.

Maloney seemed the favorite since he was endorsed publicly in the campaign by three current board members and the Wayne Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO. He was defeated by more than 800 votes by Philip Biebschneider, who served on the board for a half-year before being defeated in 1963 for a full term.

Northville Senior Wins W. Electric Scholarship

Bruce A. Martin, 17, a 1966 graduate of Northville High School, was presented a Western Electric Merit Scholarship certificate by Manager A. D. Johanson of the Company's Michigan Distributing House. Bruce is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald R. Martin, 119 Ely Drive S., Northville.

According to his mother, Bruce showed an appreciation for mathematics at a very early age. His father adds, "My father was an accountant and my wife's father was an accountant. Maybe this had some influence on Bruce."

Bruce is a member of the National Honor Society and plans to attend Oakland University this Fall, with math as his major.

Asked why he picked Oakland, Bruce said he understood it was a comparatively new university and felt he

would receive personalized attention there in his chosen field.

Stefanski elaborated on that when he added, "I believe Bruce will find Oakland University quite challenging. The staff there has a high percentage of faculty members with PhD's."

Bruce likes to collect coins and work with recording equipment. He said he likes to play chess, too, but adds, modestly, "My brother, Jerry, gives me plenty of competition."

Local Boy Drowns In Rescue Attempt

A Westland youth, considered a competent swimmer, drowned Thursday while trying to rescue his twin brother in Ford Lake near Ypsilanti.

The drowning victim was Thomas Heller, 15, of 31937 Calhoun, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Heller.

The tragedy occurred when Tom was swimming with his brother, Timothy, and a friend, Dan Waugh, 15, of 31931 Calhoun Court, Westland.

They were diving from an outboard motorboat owned by Heller when Tim did a "belly flop" into the water and apparently had the wind knocked out of him.

Dan saw him splashing around and swam to his aid while Tom dived off the boat to also help. Together they maneuvered Tim toward shore and when Dan was able to touch the lake bottom, he grabbed Tim's hand and led him to dry ground.

At that time, Tom was helping Dan pull Tim in but didn't make it.

When the two reached shore, Heller called to them, "Where's Tom?"

Tim was still too exhausted from the ordeal and from

Meet Your Carrier

Jerry Sparks 14, of 34215 Florence, Wayne, has been named carrier of the Observer Newspapers for the past year and a half. He handles customers in the area bounded by Frances, and Cherry Hill from Van Sull.

Jerry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sparks. He attends John Glenn School, where his favorite subject is Algebra. His hobby is H-O racing and collecting.

His ambition is to attend college, and to become a school teacher.

Farmington Pair Inducted Into Ferris Society

BIG RAPIDS—Orlene Hahrmel, General Education 1916, of 21431 Shawansee, and John E. Piotrowski, Pharmacy 1913, of 232258 Tuck Drive, both of Farmington, were among the 270 Ferris State College alumni who were inducted into the college's Society of the Golden Eagles at the annual Alumni Reunion recently.

Golden Eagles are those alumni who attended the college at least 50 or more years ago. Forty-five were present at the reunion to receive their certificates in person; the others received theirs in the mail.

Reckless Driving Costs Youth \$50

William A. Hais, 17, of 8108 Harrison, Garden City, was fined \$50 last week in Livonia Municipal Court where he pleaded guilty to reckless driving.

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