Should insure equal health care

Doctor forsees federal control of medicine

When thinking about what medical care will be in year 2000, prophets must distinguish between what is hoped for and what may be expected. With that qualification, Dr. Robert Douglas of Farmington spoke on "The Future of Medicine" at one of the sessions of the recent Futures Week at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

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Douglas is a medical doctor who has served as president of the Farmington Naturalist Club, is a strong supporter and leader of the Farmington Community Center, and was named man of the year in Farmington in 1973.

MEDICAL PRACTICE will be sub-MEDICAL PRACTICE will be subject to federal control with regional centers being established. Douglas said. With Mis system, he added, "medical personnel will become responsible to government institutions rather than to an individual patient."

He commented federal control

should result in equal health care for all, noting adequate health care is una-vailable today in many parts of the na-

vailable today in many parts of the na-tion.
Medical records will be com-puterized in year 2000. Douglas pre-dicted, with instant retrievable capa-bilities of a patient's medical history. Thus, a Detroit resident in an acci-dent in Arkansas can be bassured of a rapid transmissal of his medical back-ground before surgery is performed.

OTHER PROSPECTS between now and year 2000 include; Automated laboratory testing in-creasing in scope to improve diagnos-

tic skills:

Medical training improvements at all levels — students will proceed at their own pace rather than at an arbitrary schedule of four years college, our years medical schools and four years residency:

It will be possible to predict the statistical likelihood of an individual de-

veloping a disease determined by heredity and to determine at what age the disease will occur. Environmental visual factors can also be programmed to predict certain other diseases and at what age they will strike. In the area of transplants, Douglas predicted at trend toward use of synettic materials in lieu of human or ani-

mal transplants.

mal transplants.

Douglas anticipates there will be transplants of about every human organ except for the brain. These implants would include an artifical parcreas, cornea. "wearable, moveable artifical kidney." artifical muscles and blood.

DOUGLAS CONTINUED prognosticating by indicating there will be a new variety of antibiotic drugs in year 2000 to combat infections and virtuses.

There will be new micro-organisms

resistant to the new drugs of today, he explained, just as many of today's bacteria are resistent to penicilities. Whatever drug is effective in year 2000 will be ineffective 25 years later, that we can be sure of."

Other predictions by Douglas were: Treatment of cancer will improve but a single cure won't be found. Cancer is a variety of diseases with different causes. I forsee some undramatic breakthroughs with the fight against cancer being a series of understanding the series of the medical nutrition. The interests of the medical nutritionists must overcome the interests of food producers if public health goals are to be met. Nuclear medicine will probably supplant radiology in the area of diagnostic services, he continued.

Emergency Medical Services CRMS units, similar to those now in Southfield and Detroit, will be more

In psychology, significant gains will be made in the field of animal psycholbe made in the field of animal psychol-ogy and its human implications. Espe-cially important will be the signifi-cance of "imprinting" – the effect of the first few hours, days and weeks of the baby with its mother. Schizophrenia will probably be found to be caused by an enzematic defect in the brain, he continued, and controlled by chemical injection.

The major health problem in the U.S. today is the automobile. Douglas stated, causing 56,000 deaths a year. An alternative means of transportation must and will be found, he added.

spiritual issues must be exceeded in the issues cannot be answered by doc-

the issues cannot be answered by doc-tors alone, he cautioned.

"It is not the physician's job to de-termine when life should terminate, such as in the case of an elderly per-son who has had a massive stroke with no chance of recovery.

with no chance of recovery.

"We are all fated to die sconer or later. What's important isn't the number of years lived but how you use those years in social and thoughtful pursuits. The provision of useful services is much more production or aquisition of material wealth."

Bond School won't be leased

FARMINGTON—The board of edu-cation dashed hopes of a private school interested in leasing the recently-closed Bond Elementary School. At its meeting Tuesday night, the

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Bond was closed to regular class-room use in August following two fail-ures to win voter approval for a four-mill increase in operating funds. Chil-dren attending Bond were transferred to three other schools. At present, the district is using the facility for storage of materials. It also houses operations department. William Prisk, business manager, outlined to the board plans for use of board directed the administration to inform any groups inquiring about the school that the facility will be used by the district for the 1974-75 school year. The action followed a request from Farmington Hills Christian School for leasing the building.

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the school in the 1974-75 school year. The gym is to be used for storage of large items and the north wing for storage of smaller items.

The operations department office is to be located in the principal's office and student teachers will be on the first floor.

The second floor is to be closed entirely.

JAMES REED, 69. of Farmington died Sept. 23, 1974, in Southfield. He was born in Hamilton, Ohio. Surviving are wife Nora, daughter Mrs. Richard (Barbara) Larzelere of

Mrs. Richard (Barbara) Larzelere of Madison Heights, sister Mrs. Flora Heartwell of Royal Oak and three grandchildren. Services were Sept. 26 at the Thayer Funeral Home in Farmington with burial in Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

MRS. SOPHIE KUHN, 66, of Detroit

MRS. SOPHIE KURN, 68, of Detroit died Sept. 30, 1974, in Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. She was born June 20, 1998, in Russia. Surviving are daughters Mrs. Albert (Bernice) Handler of West Bloomfield and Mrs. Allan (Lorraine) Rilmar of Detroit, brothers Samuel Gold of Southfield and Hyman Gold of Farmington and those grandellyting.

Southfield and Hyman Gold of Farth-ington and three grandchildren. Services were Oct. 3 at the Hebrew Memorial Chapel in Oak Park with burial in Hebrew Memorial Park in

MRS. BERTHA LERNER, 76, of Southfield died Oct. 6, 1974, at Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital in Detroit. She was born in Poland and had lived in this area 55 years. Surviving are sons Samuel of Arizona and Albert of Southfield and five grantichildren.

grandchildren.
Services were Monday at Hebrew
Memorial Chapel in Oak Park with

burial in B'nai David Cemetery in Detroit.

JOHN BLASCHAK, 83, of Farmington died Oct. 5, 1974, in University Convalescent Nursing Home in Livonia. He was born July 8, 1891, in Czechoslavakia.

Cechoslavakio. In Was Joseph Cachoslavakio. Juriving are sons John and Louis, daughters Miss Elizabeth Blaschak of Farmington, Miss Veronica Blaschak of Farmington, Miss Veronica Blaschak Misr. Robert (Midred) Voyles. Mrs. Harold (Mary) Weideman and Mrs. Michael (Agnes) May, 13 grand-children and six great-grandchildren. Services were Oct. 8 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Farmington with burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemtery in Southfield. Arrangements were by the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

MRS. CLARA GREEN, 83, of Flor-da died Oct. 5, 1974, in East Manor

and the doct. 5, 1974, in East Manor Medical Care Center in Sarasota, Fla. She was born Feb. 18, 1831, in Farmington Township.

Surviving are sons Roger of Southfield and Roland of Florida, daughter Mrs. Carl (Doris) Verch of Cheboygan, niece (that she raised) Mrs. Robert (Agnes) Moevetit of Milan, sister Lillian Robinson, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were Oct. 10 at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington with burial in North Farmington with burial in North Harmington Cemetery in Farmington Hills.





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Optimists name new officers

WEST BLOOMFIELD. The Optimist Club of West Bloomfield has installed its new officers and directors for the 1374-15 year.
At the Installation dinner dance held recently at the Sheanadoah Country Club, past charter president Jeffrey M. Leib installed Rev. John H. Freed as the club's third president. Rev. Freed, active in numerous community drairs; was 1974 Chairman of West Bloomfield-Michigan Week festivities. He is pastor of Holy Spirit Lutheran Church in West Bloomfield.

Also installed by Leib were vice-presidents Rev. Leland Penzien, pas-tor of West Bloomfield United Methodtof of West Biodiffied Methods ist Church and Don P. Sheldon, super-intendent of the Walled Lake Consoli-dated School District. William Hul-bert, of Farmington Hills, has become the club's new Secretary and Arnold Krieger, of West Bloomfield, a South-field C.P.A., will serve a second term

field CP.A., will serve a second term as treasure.
Installed by Leib as directors for a two-year term of office were chief of Police Al McGhee, of the West Bloomfield Township Police Department, George E. "Ted" Cavin, principal of West Bloomfield High School and Dr. Robert Singelyn. a local dentist and prominent community leader who served as 1873-4 chairman of the West Bloomfield United Fund.

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