



# The Missouri Minutes

"TO LIVE AND GROW AND GROW BETTER"

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### *Fellow Technologists*

It is indeed an honor and a privilege to serve as President of the M.S.R.T. The word "president" is a little word with tremendous pleasures and responsibilities attached. He must represent Radiologic Technologists in his words, thoughts and deeds. However the president cannot do everything himself. He must have *you*, the technologist, working with him.

Technology, although almost fifty years old since the formation of the A.S.R.T., still has a hard row to hoe to get the R.T. firmly entrenched. This cannot be accomplished by a few technologists but all of technology must be involved.

To those who say they cannot afford to join the Society, I say they cannot afford not to join. The time has long passed when they can afford to sit on the sidelines and let their fellow technologists do all of the work.

I know that we as technologists must stand together and be counted and in this manner we can meet the challenge. The future of Technology is at stake.

*Daniel M. King*  
*President*

## REPORT OF THE CONVENTION

The 1970 annual convention of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists in Columbia, Missouri, revealed to me that in Missouri there are some technologists who are working very hard, unselfishly, and with great courage and foresight to improve the standards and future of radiologic technologists. The M.S.R.T. may be small in membership at the present time, but they are saying and believing that **THINGS CAN BE DONE.**

This group is working for the betterment of all technologists and, at the same time, they realize that there are many "parasites" who will share in the benefits and the good that may come from their efforts. It is very evident in Missouri that many of the technologists are in favor of improved profes-

sional standards for our profession. It should be made known to each technologist in this state that support must be shown from our profession, and this support must be seen by many people and heard by our own personal representation. It should be brought to our attention as technologists in the state of Missouri that there is one organization that is solely concerned with the progress and the betterment of the radiologic technologists. This organization is the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists. This is our voice in legislation that is without a doubt going to occur in the near future and in actions that will affect the life of every registered technologist and the educational program for technologists in this state as well as the nation. This is our voice in administration and radiology. We want to take this occasion to urge you to be a strong supporter of your profession, and to again urge each member of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists to make an effort to enlist other technologists as members of our society, to strengthen us both in number and greater support of our purpose.

We extend to all of those who have worked together to maintain an active society in Missouri and have unselfishly given their time, traveled many miles, and exchanged much correspondence, who have represented the technologists, listened to their problems and maintained a sound society for the betterment of our profession, our sincere appreciation.

Norman Cartwright, R.T.  
Editor

## NOTICE

*Meeting of the Board of Directors, Committee Chairmen, District Presidents and Officers will be held December 5 at 10:30 a.m. at Central Missouri Medical Services offices, 109 South Rucker, Rolla, Missouri.*



## NEWS FROM THE ANNUAL CONVENTION 1970

On Wednesday evening a pre-convention meeting was held, consisting of the Board of Directors and the other officers available. At this meeting Jean Dietring was appointed secretary for this meeting and for the annual convention. The minutes were read, corrected and approved. The treasurer's report was given and approved for auditing. A report from Richard S. Hammer, R.T., Chairman, Missouri Proposal, M.S.R.T. revealed that a copy of the proposal had been sent to each technologist in the state, to each radiologist, and to each hospital administrator. (This correspondence is mentioned elsewhere in this edition.) A printed program for the 1970 convention was read and approved as printed.

There were seminars conducted each day of this convention, with programs of interest to almost every level of technology. The study of technique, the advancement of equipment, and a period of film critique were highlights. This convention was privileged to have as a guest, Ralph Coates, R.T., who is a trustee of the American Registry from Boston, Mass. Mr. Coates gave a report during the Professional Affairs Forum on the medical unions as they operate his state. He praised the work of the committee on Proposal and Job Descriptions, and supported the action this committee is seeking to obtain. During this forum Mr. Coates recommended medical organization through professional affairs rather than unionization. Also available for this forum was Dr. Charles Shopfner, M.D. Dr. Shopfner is President of the Kansas City Radiological Society, as well as Chairman of the Committee on Technician Affairs of the Society. Dr. Shopfner reported on a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kansas City Radiological Society. He was instructed by the Society to APPROVE the Proposal and Job Description as given by the Missouri Proposal Committee. Dr. Shopfner offered support when possible and mentioned that his organization is asking the question, "How is it going to be accomplished?" He also suggested at this forum that a group of representatives or the Board of Directors of M.S.R.T. meet with representatives of the radiologists.

The business meeting was held on Saturday evening. A report was given from the Missouri Proposal Committee by the chairman, Richard Hammer, R.T. The report of the auditing was given by Clara Smith. The auditing reported the books to be in order and correct. The Convention Committee report was given by Lois Young. There were invitations from the Fourth and the Sixth Districts. These were put

before the convention for vote, and District Four, or St. Louis, Missouri, was voted to be the convention site for our next annual convention in 1971.

There were recommendations made by the Board of Directors to the Society; these were voted on by items. The first recommendation was to change the fiscal year of the Missouri Society to July 1 - June 30, to correspond to that of the National Society. The second recommendation was that the treasurer's books be REVIEWED by a certified public accountant. This recommendation was approved. The third recommendation was to increase the Board of Directors by adding the president of each district, making a total of nine members on the Board. The third recommendation was withdrawn from the floor by the Board of Directors. The fourth recommendation to send \$100.00 to support Legislative Bill S-3973 was approved. The fifth recommendation was that the Missouri Proposal Committee be dissolved and its duties be given to the Board of Directors. This was approved. The sixth recommendation was to send two representatives to Chicago, Ill., for the December A.S.R.T. workshop, with \$150.00 to be given to each of the representatives. This workshop is a Professional Affairs workshop sponsored by the American Society of Radiologic Technologists. The seventh recommendation was that the format of the MISSOURI MINUTES remain the same as in the last two editions. This too was approved.

The next two items of business were from the floor. The first is that a copy of MISSOURI MINUTES be sent to a radiologist as an associate member of the Society. The next was to make alternate means of voting available to the members of M.S.R.T. at the next annual meeting.

Following, is a list of the new officers as they were approved at the Saturday evening business meeting:

President . . . . .	Darrell McKay
President-Elect . . . . .	Robert Ryan
Vice President . . . . .	Ernest Collins
Treasurer . . . . .	Ira Lee Cundiff
Secretary . . . . .	Henry Cashion
Eastern Counselor . . . . .	Sister Francita
Western Counselor . . . . .	John Roe
Delegate . . . . .	Darrell McKay
Alternate Delegate . . . . .	C. S. Vincent

## NEWS FROM MICHIGAN

The Michigan Society of Radiologic Technologists in their newsletter "Wolverine Newsletter" have asked that the Michigan Technologists support S-3973.

**EXCERPT FROM TREASURER'S REPORT  
GIVEN AT ANNUAL MEETING OF M.S.R.T.**

**SUMMARY**

TOTAL INCOME . . . . .	\$5150.85
TOTAL EXPENSES . . . . .	\$2719.11
BALANCE ON HAND (September 28, 1970) . . . . .	\$2430.74
<b>TREASURER'S REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP 70-71, as of September 28, 1970</b>	
Active Members . . . . .	197
Associate Members . . . . .	65
Student Members . . . . .	56
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TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE M.S.R.T.	318

**NON-RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP**

Active Members . . . . .	37
Associate Members . . . . .	19
Student Members . . . . .	78
No forwarding address . . . . .	14
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TOTAL NON-RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP	148

**TREASURER'S REPORT ADDEDUM:  
COMPARISON STUDIES OF  
NON-RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP**

	Non-Renewals 1970-71
Active Members . . . . .	37
Associate Members . . . . .	19
Student Members . . . . .	78
No forwarding address . . . . .	14
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TOTAL NON-RENEWAL	148
	Non-Renewals 1969-70
Active Members . . . . .	42
Associate Members . . . . .	11
Student Members . . . . .	8
No forwarding address . . . . .	
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TOTAL NON-RENEWAL	61

**FOR A BETTER "MISSOURI MINUTES"**

At the annual meeting of M.S.R.T. your editor requested that a responsible person from each of the six districts be appointed as a reporter in order to make news available for printing in the *MISSOURI MINUTES*. Some of these reporters have already

been appointed, and it is hoped that each district will cooperate with its reporter, that all six districts in our state may develop a definite line of communication. It would be interesting to our neighboring districts to know the feelings and attitudes of the technologists of other districts concerning legislative matters, licensure and other matters pertaining to the future of technology. Also of great interest are the educational advances that are available in each district. So please, reporters, may we hear from you, that we might keep abreast of the news in our field, and that we might see a stronger and better society for technologists in our state? We are also seeking news and events taking place in technology on a national scale, so let's talk with each other through the *MISSOURI MINUTES*.

**M.S.R.T. SUPPORTS BILL S-3973.**

In an enthusiastic response, the active members of the M.S.R.T. voted to go on record as being in favor of Senate Bill S-3973. In view of the above action of the Society, it could be of utmost importance that you as an individual technologist personally write to your proper legislator in support of this bill, and to Thomas Eagleton and Stuart Symington. It should be noted that in corresponding with our legislative bodies, individual statements and correspondence have a far greater effect than petitions or correspondence designated simply as being from a group. This may be one time when your one card could count.

**FROM YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the Missouri Society met five times during the year, with the officers of the Society and the district presidents, in order to conduct the business of the Society. Copies of the minutes of these meetings were sent to all officers and district presidents. The Board of Directors wishes to say "THANK YOU" to all officers and committee members for their attendance at these meetings. Their help, advice and suggestions were of great help in the management of the Society during the past year.

**CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE  
MISSOURI RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY AND THE  
MISSOURI PROPOSAL COMMITTEE, M.S.R.T.**

In a letter from Dr. Charles E. Shopfner, M.D., Dr. Shopfner reported that they had recently had a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Missouri Radiological Society, our proposal regarding job descriptions, etc. was discussed in detail, and he intended to be present at our state meeting in Columbia. He said he might be able to talk to the entire society and give them the attitudes of the Mis-



souri Radiological Society as they had been expressed to him. He stated in this letter that the chief objective of the Missouri Radiological Society is to give you whatever support you need in the support of your morally reasonable and ethically proper proposals. Then to initiate action, the Missouri Radiological Society would like to arrange a meeting of the Board of Directors of that society with the Board of Directors of the M.S.R.T. He said that furthermore it was felt that regional meetings between technologists and radiologists would be helpful. (This letter was written to Richard S. Hammer, R.T., Chairman of the Missouri Proposal Committee.)

Another letter was from Dr. Dallas D. Anthony, M.D. to Richard S. Hammer, R.T. In this letter Dr. Anthony stated that Dr. Charles Shopfner of Kansas City, was the chairman of the Committee on Technician Affairs, and his committee reported that the proposal of our group has been received by all hospital administrators and radiologists. It was mentioned in this letter that our aims in this proposal and our objectives are worthwhile and should be supported. However, they also feel that this can be better done on an individual basis at the local level rather than by the state organization. Many letters were sent by Mr. Hammer to the radiologists and hospital administrators throughout the state in an effort to determine how this proposal was received,

and stating to them that through this proposal it is our aim, as technologists, to upgrade the quality of technologists by keeping qualified technologists in the field as well as making technology attractive to bright young prospects.

#### BULK MAILING AVAILABLE FOR M.S.R.T.

Bulk mailing is available to the Society at a rate of 3.8¢ per letter, and the following steps must be taken:

1. Mailing must contain over 200 letters all containing the same information.
2. The return address on each envelope must read: The Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists, 515 East High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65101.
3. The bulk mail permit must be imprinted on the upper right hand corner as follows: BULK MAIL, U.S. Postage Paid, Permit #97, Jefferson City, Mo., 65101.
4. All mail must be zip coded, sorted, bundled, tied and labelled according to post office regulations concerning bulk mail. Contact local post office for exact regulations.
5. Mail must be delivered to Central Missouri Medical Service office at 214 Marshall, Jefferson City, Missouri, for distribution to the post office. If you have any questions regarding other use of the permit, contact Mrs. Cook at this telephone number: Area Code 314, 635-7723.

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