

Plastic Surgeon Says Crash Hurts Need Fast Aid

One of the most common misconceptions about plastic surgery is the idea that plastic actually is used, said three eminent surgeons, who are in the area for a conference of the Southeastern Society of Plastic and Reconstruc-

tive Surgeons, Thursday through Saturday at the Tides Hotel, Redington Beach.

"Plastic is not used in reconstructive operations," said Dr. Greer Ricketson of Nashville, society president. "The word has evolved from the Greek word 'plasticos,' which means 'to return to normal,' and that's precisely what our operations are designed to do."

There has been, however, a recent use of plastics in certain operations, the doctor pointed out.

Dr. Neal Owens of New Orleans, past president and trustee of the group, said a minimum of 50 per cent of automobile accident victims should have plastic surgery performed.

"This does not mean that such a large number actually are treated," Dr. Owens said, "but they should have treatment."

When surgery is needed, Dr. Owens said it should be administered as soon as possible, or else facial injuries may fall into a complicated stage that cannot be resolved later. "Early diagnosis often means simple treatment," Owens stated.

Sixteen of the nation's 600 certified plastic surgeons practice in Florida, said Dr. Grover W. Austin of St. Petersburg, society treasurer, who was in charge of local convention arrangements.

Dr. Austin estimated that Florida surgeons perform some 8,000 operations a year, with an average of 160 a week.

WHEN SURGERY NEEDED

Plastic surgery, the doctors pointed out, can be needed or desired for numerous reasons. Of all patients treated, Dr. Ricketson es-

Woman Given Jail Term For Peace Breach

Mrs. Hilda Byas, 43, who police say broke up housekeeping, the furniture and windows in her rented home simultaneously, was sentenced to 10 days in city jail for her activity.

Municipal Judge Laurence D. Childs imposed the penalty after Mrs. Byas was brought into court on a charge of breach of the peace.

Neighbors complaining of a noisy 3 a.m. fracas at the Byas home, at 1010 6th Ave. S., led police to arrest Mrs. Byas, who said the incident stemmed from her displeasure over being evicted by her landlord.

Among other court cases Thursday:

CHARLES DANCIL, 3020½ Freemount Terr. S., disorderly conduct; 10 days suspended.

JAMES LEO ST. CLAIR, 243 69th St. N., disorderly conduct; forfeited \$25; careless driving; forfeited \$35.

MARY SOKOP, 2512 13th Ave. S., pilfering; forfeited \$25.

HERMAN E. ARNOLD, 5391 76th St. N., pilfering; forfeited \$25.

JOSEPH WILLIAMS, 2285 Tangerine Ave., disorderly conduct; \$15 or 5 days.

JAMES W. HOFF, 511 4th Ave. S., dis-
orderly conduct; \$15 or 5 days.
HARRY C. SURLS, 1650 7th Ave. N.,
failure to yield right-of-way, fined \$25.
ROMAN GOLDEN, 1106 Pennington
Ct. N., pilfering; 15 days.
WILLIE J. WILLIAMS, 2038 Fairfield
Ave. S., reckless driving, \$50 or 15 days.
FLORA M. VAUGHN, 2318 27th St.
S., no driver's license; forfeited \$25.
DENNIS P. HURLEY, 444 5th Ave. S.,
stop sign violation; fined \$15.

Nursing Home Plans To Award Scholarship

The Cottage Nursing Home, 302
15th St. N., is planning to award
a scholarship in nurse's training
this year, Marjorie Maranville, co-
owner, has announced.

Other 1960 plans include an oc-
cupational therapy program for
patients; construction of a TV and
recreation room; additional beds;
and the selection of a site for
construction of a one-story nurs-
ing home.

Miss Maranville and Miss Ger-
trude Amo have owned the nurs-
ing home for two years. Both
women engaged in the nurs-
ing profession for 18 years.

Estimated 25 per cent are treated
for automobile accident injuries;
25 per cent for congenital deforma-
ties, (defects dating from birth)
and 25 per cent for cancer and
burns.

Another 20 per cent, Ricketson
stated, simply want facial features
changed.

Asked why such changes are de-
sired, he said "It's mostly for
business reasons. Many people,
constantly facing the public, want
certain defects, like large or odd-
ly-shaped noses and protruding
ears, smoothed over. This is es-
pecially true of television people,"
he said.

"Then, too," Dr. Ricketson con-
tinued, "some want to stay look-
ing young in a competitive world
where younger people are apt to
replace them."

Facial wrinkles, due to increas-
ing age, can be removed with-
out risk, providing a person has
no physical maladies that may
produce complications, Dr. Owens
said. All plastic surgery is per-
formed under local anesthesia.