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Rhodes Dedicates
Toledo Med School

TOLEDO (UPI) — Gov. James A. Rhodes said Sunday the opening of the new state-supported medical school here was a major step in Ohio's program to help meet the health care needs of the people in Ohio and across the country.

Rhodes spoke at the dedication ceremonies of the University of Toledo Medical School which opened last week with 33 students.

THE GOVERNOR said when the Medical College of Ohio is completed in two years with appropriations from the General Assembly, Ohio would be graduating 500 medical doctors per year.

He said it would be nearly a 70 per cent increase over the 300 graduates in 1960.

THE STATE HAS invested \$28 million in the construction of the school with completion expected in two years. More than \$5 million in operating funds for the new school has been budgeted for the next two years.

Rhodes noted the state has invested nearly \$36 million in capital expenditures for expansion of the medical

school at Ohio State University covering a period from 1963-1971.

HE ALSO SAID the University of Cincinnati, now under state support, was scheduled for a \$9.5 million expansion with state funds during the next two years and the state had allocated \$3 million for Case Western Reserve Medical School, a private school, for the next two years.

"This operating support will result in a further increase in the number of medical school graduates in Ohio at a very modest cost to the state," Rhodes said.

He noted the state supports medical college undergraduates in state schools at a rate of \$4950 a year, making it the highest support level for any student classification.