I am sure you have received your program by now and it looks fantastic. Dow Stough, Mike Thompson and the rest of the Board have done a great job. I'll see you in Toronto. Registration information on page 21.

2,000 Grafts/Session

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Well, it was bound to happen! Recently a doctor visited my office and, as is quite common, I learned as much from him as he did from me. Victor Loria (Rosedale, New York), while in my office, mentioned he could get 1000 grafts on the hairline alone. The idea fascinated me, so I had him show me how he did it on the next patient. He was able, quite easily, to pack over 100 grafts into a



Fig. 1. A Megasession: 2250+ grafts in one session (See Page 5).

very small area of the hairline. I knew if he could get 100 grafts in that small a space he could easily get 1000 grafts on the hairline. It only follows that he could get 2000 grafts on the entire head. He said he had only done up to 1700 grafts at one time.

I knew Bill Rassman had been doing mega-

sessions and dense packing, so I called him to see if he had done 2000 grafts. He said he hadn't done that many yet, but he had done 1800 and had a picture with fourteen hundred on the hairline and four hundred at the vertex (See Fig. 1, page 5) Since that phone call, he has done 2250+ per session (See Fig. 1 above

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Fig. 2. The side by side arrangement used by Drs. Loria and Rassman and the staggered line used by Dr. Norwood. In the second design the solid lines represent slits made on the first pass. The dotted lines represent the slits made on the second pass to fill in gaps and create a more random arrangement.

