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## NOTICE OF EXAMINATION FOR DENTAL SURGEONS FOR THE REGULAR ARMY, U. S. A.

**Editor's Note:**—We surmise that this examination is for dental surgeons for the regular army and is for a period of seven years and not for the period of the war emergency since, Dr. W. W. H. Logan, Major Medical Corps, U. S. Army has notified the emergency dental examining board for Nebraska (Drs. Allen, Davis, Hipple) not to examine any new applicants because they have enough applicants to supply a war emergency army of three million men.

Editor Nebraska Dental Journal:

1. At the present time there are approximately one hundred vacancies in the Dental Corps of the Army, with the view to filling which, an examination of applicants is scheduled for November 12th, 1917.

2. In the absence of any appropriation from which payment may be made for the advertising of examinations in the Army, the Surgeon General has directed me to send you the enclosed memorandum, and to state that he would appreciate very much its appearance in your Journal as a news item, provided of course, such action is consistent with your policy.

W. N. MILLER,

Lt. Col., Medical Corps, U. S. Army.

September 17, 1917.

1. The Surgeon General of the Army announces that there are, at the present time, approximately 100 vacancies in the Dental Corps, and that examinations for the appointment of dental surgeons will be held at Ft. Slocum, New York, Columbus Barracks, Ohio, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, Fort Logan, Colorado, Fort McDowell, California, and Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, on Monday, November 12, 1917.

2. Application blanks and full information concerning these examinations can be procured by addressing "Surgeon General, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C."

3. The Dental Corps is one of the constituent members of the Medical Department of the Army. It consists entirely of officers, who are commissioned as dental surgeons. Appointments therein are authorized at the rate of 1 for each 1,000 enlisted men of the line of the Army. During the first 8 years of their service, dental surgeons have the rank, pay and allowances of first lieutenants. After 8 years they have the rank, pay and allowances of captains, and after 24 years the rank, pay and allowances of majors; subject however, to such examination prior to advancement as the President may prescribe, and to the proviso that the number of dental surgeons with the rank of major shall not at any time exceed 15.

4. No applicant may under existing law be commissioned in the Dental Corps unless he is between 21 and 32 years of age, a citizen of the United

States, a graduate of a standard dental college, and of good moral character, nor unless he shall pass the usual physical examination required for appointment in the Medical Corps, and a professional examination which shall include tests of skill in practical dentistry and of proficiency in the usual subjects of a standard dental college course. Whether or not the applicant is married has no effect upon his eligibility for the Dental Corps.

5. Application for appointment must be made in writing to the Surgeon General of the Army, upon the prescribed blank form. All the interrogatories on the blank must be fully answered. In compliance with the instructions thereon, the application must be accompanied by testimonials, based upon personal acquaintance, from at least two reputable persons, as to the applicant's citizenship, character and habits.

The selection of the candidates is made by the Surgeon General from the applications submitted, and a formal invitation to report for examination to the most convenient examining board in each case will be issued by him.

6. The examinations are conducted under instructions from the Surgeon General and usually last six days. No allowances can be made for the expenses of applicants undergoing examination, whether incurred in travel to and from or during their stay at the place of examination, as public funds are not available for the payment of such expenses.

Each applicant, upon presenting himself to the board, will, prior to his physical examination, be required to submit his diploma as a graduate of a standard dental college. Should he fail to do so the examination will not proceed.

7. To each commissioned rank in the Army is attached a fixed annual salary, which is received in monthly payments, and this is increased by 10 per cent for each period of 5 years' until a maximum of 40 per cent is reached. A dental surgeon with the rank of first lieutenant receives \$2,000 per annum, or \$166.66 monthly, during his first 5 years' service. At the end of 5 years his annual pay is increased to \$2,200 or \$183.33 a month. At the end of 8 years he is advanced to captain and receives \$2,400 a year, plus 10 per cent for his first 5 years' service, making \$2,640, or \$220 a month; and thereafter his annual pay is—at the end of 10 years, \$2,880 or \$240 a month; at the end of 15 years \$3,120 or \$260 a month; at the end of 20 years, \$3,360 or \$280 a month. At the end of 24 years he is advanced to major and receives \$4,000 a year, that being the pay of his grade, \$3,000 plus increase for prior service of 20 years up to \$4,000, which is the maximum allowed by law to a major. In addition to their pay proper, they are furnished with a liberal allowance of quarters according to rank, either in kind, or, where no suitable Government building is available, by commutation. Fuel and light therefor are also provided. When traveling on duty an officer receives mileage for the distance traveled. On change of station he is entitled to transportation of professional books, and papers and a reasonable amount of baggage at Government expense. Groceries and other articles for their own use may be purchased from the quartermaster at about wholesale cost prices. Dental Surgeons are entitled to medical attendance and hospital treatment without charge other than for subsistence.

8. Officers of the Dental Corps are entitled to the privilege of retirement after 40 years' service, or at any time for disability incurred in the line of duty. On attaining the age of 64 they are placed on the retired list by operation of law. Retired officers receive three-fourths of the pay of their rank (salary and increase) at the time of retirement.

9. In order to perfect all necessary arrangements for the examination, applications must be in the possession of the Surgeon General at least two weeks before the date of examination. Early attention is therefore enjoined upon the intending applicants.

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

(By Prof. Von Blitzen.)

Direct all questions to Dr. Grubb, Lincoln.

Question—Please give me the correct pronunciation of the word g-u-m. So many of my patients pronounce it “goom.”

C. C. F.

Answer—Custom usually establishes the correctness of any and all things and I would advise that you follow that which is most used in common in your community. In Omaha it would be perfectly correct to pronounce it with the long sound of u as goom, while in Lincoln, due to the fact that it is a college town, it is more common to use the short sound of u as gum.

Question—I would like to have you answer in the columns of The Journal, if it is possible for a dentist to eat onions for supper and not have his patients detect them on his breath the next day. I am very fond of them and would not like to give them up.

H. C. B.

Answer—I would not advise any dentist to eat onions unless he is very careful afterward in the toilet of his mouth. It is possible though to do away with the odor by mixing together equal parts of Dutch Cleanser and asafetida and then brush constantly for ten minutes. Follow that with a mouth wash of Peruna with a few drops of garlic added.

Question—Please tell me how I can make some money. I am working early and late and most every Sunday and still I can't seem to get ahead.

J. S. P.

Answer—Sell out and buy a popcorn wagon. Everybody eats popcorn and there's good money in it. It is a business that doesn't require salesmanship. Your trouble lies in the fact that you don't know how to sell your goods. Dispose of your bargain counters and the mob that is constantly in your reception room. A dentist can only work on one patient at a time. Good fees make good dentists and remember that the laity are not looking for bargains in dentistry.

Question—I am 35 years old, unmarried, inspectable, don't smoke, chew, or drink, and am very fond of children. Would you advise one of my age, and especially now while the cost of living is so high, to marry?

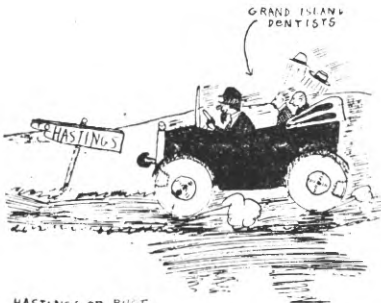
W. A. C.

Answer—I would refer you to the Ladies' Home Journal or consult with Herbert Hoover.

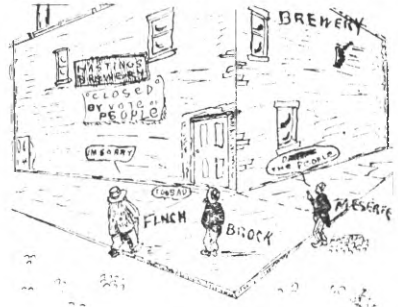
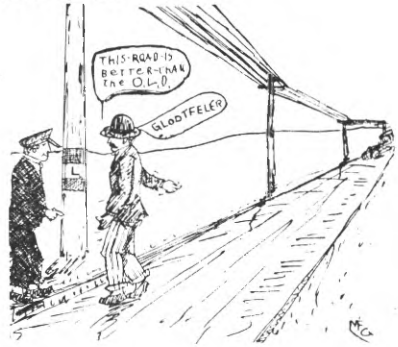
Question—I have always had a desire to be a public speaker, but I am reserved and timid when appearing in public, also, stutter some when I get excited. Could you give me the name of someone that teaches oratory or do you know of a book published that would help me.

F. F. W.

Answer—I understand that Dr. Guy Baird of Fremont, Nebr., is writing a book on that subject, whether it is on the market or not, I could not say, if not, I would refer you to Park Billings of the Billings Supply Company.



HASTINGS OR BUST



POST-GRADUATE DENTAL MEETING  
HASTINGS, OCT. 16-17

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## PROGRAM

## Northwestern District Dental Society

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Fred Webster, Lincoln.

Root Resection and Root Canal Work.

Geno Mueller, Omaha.

Impression Taking, Green-Suplee Method.

A. D. Davis, Omaha.

Conductive Anaesthesia.

E. A. Thomas, Hastings.

Clinical Excision of process in bad cases of protrusion, also,  
Removal of impacted 3rd molars or other impactions.

F. H. Welden, Gothenburg.

Table clinic, showing original method of sterility in filling  
canals, also the Grove technique.

E. A. Meservey, Kearney.

Paper, "Efficiency and Fees," or how to increase your prac-  
tice.

S. A. Allen, Loup City.

Chair clinic; some good things you ought to know.

James Bridges

Illustrated lecture on tooth form.

### PREPAREDNESS

"Prepared for what? Never in our lives has there been such a demand or probable demand for our services as at the present moment. All literature of what-so-ever nature is full and overflowing with "WAR." And we are not in the rear in this matter of preparedness either—the "League" with the State Sections has been organized, and has performed a valuable service—our younger men have been and are being mustered into service—our older men are qualifying for duty, in case the call comes to them. We are even looking further ahead—the supply must not be cut short. Men too young for army service and who are contemplating their future, should be induced to take up dentistry—those at present in College should be encouraged to continue their studies. It is to be hoped that Dental College Faculties will be left intact for the training of men for this department of Government service—such was the recommendation of the Dental Section of the National Defense Committee.

This is fine—but there is yet another field of endeavor in which we can use our influence, especially those of us about the large cities or Army Encampments—help the authorities to clean up. Why is it that decent citizens should allow the amount of rottenness that does exist, to exist? Some of the things that have been told to the writer about conditions in and around these boys who have volunteered, are more than appalling. Every one of them is some MOTHER'S son, and perhaps has seen but little of the world—they need the help of us all. If you can do nothing more, send a check to the Y. M. C. A., and ask them to do it for you. The following editorial from the Journal of the A. M. A. will indicate the feelings of the Medical Profession and so let us join hands with them in this move for decency. Senator Borah says, "Why compromise, dicker, falter and barter with that which spreads want and disease in time of peace and disaster in time of war."

### War and Prohibition.

"The prohibition movement appears to be growing steadily stronger and stronger. At present about 85 per cent of the territory of the United States is dry, and about 58 per cent of the population. In view of the increasing strength of the sentiment in favor of prohibition, it is not at all surprising that a powerful effort should be made to secure some form of nation-wide prohibition at least during the war. Besides the usual reasons urged in favor of prohibition, special emphasis is now directed to the necessity of stopping the manufacture of alcoholic beverage in order to conserve the food supply and to turn additional labor into channels concerning the usefulness and necessity of which there can be no question. But of all reasons that may be urged against the use of alcoholic drinks, the two that must appeal to physicians with irresistible force are (1) the action of alcohol in lessening all forms of efficiency, physical, intellectual and moral, and (2) the intimate connection always found between drinking, prostitution and the spread of venereal disease. The evidence against alcohol on these accounts is so overwhelming, so well established, and so generally known, that it does not seem necessary at this time to go into details, quote figures or cite examples. Only the other day an experiment was mentioned in The Journal (p. 1414) which showed that 50 gm. of brandy causes a depreciation in the marksmanship of expert shots of 30 per cent in rapid firing and 50 per cent in slow firing. What sense is there in training men to become efficient and then sit idly by and let the hard-won efficiency be taken away by alcohol? We know that wars heretofore have resulted in tremendous increase in venereal diseases, not only in the military but also in the civil population. Students of history tell us that such increase may be sufficient to place the stamp of physical deterioration on entire nations. To ask another question—what sense is there in laboriously selecting and training the flower of our young manhood to make soldiers, sailors, marines, and then do nothing decisive to save them from the far-reaching disasters to themselves and others of venereal disease. The fate of the movement to secure nation-wide war prohibition through legislative action and in other ways is uncertain. As the first duty of the medical profession is to prevent disease and loss of human efficiency, we must do all in our power to favor such movements. In the meanwhile no time should be lost in putting into effect the excellent recommendations of the General Medical Board to the Council of National Defense that every military command be surrounded by a protected zone in which the sale of alcoholic drinks shall be prohibited, and that special efforts be directed toward furnishing the men with suitable opportunities for wholesome recreation."—California Dental Journal.

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Friends add much to the happiness of life, but in the main we must depend upon ourselves.

A dentist has no excuse for an ungentlemanly appearance. If he is not clean, neat and gentle, and in general demeanor intelligent and professional a prejudice is at once formed that takes much good work to counteract.

Strict attention to business is of first importance. If we do not take care of our business, our business will not take care of us, is as much true of the dental profession as of any business. We know a good dentist who has to be called from the street or some other place so often, to attend to his patients that many of his best patrons have forsaken him. A man to succeed must be of one business and make that so absorbing that it shall be his pleasure to succeed. If he has side shows and amusements and he should have them, they must be subordinate to his legitimate business.

The dentist should be proud of his profession. The materials and instruments now within the reach of the dentist are far superior to those provided a few years ago. There has not been a year that decided advancement has not been made in all departments of our calling. A glance at its literature during the past few years is encouraging, and we have advanced in dignity and influence. We have become an organized force for good in Nebraska and we must work hard to uphold our standard.

If you've tried and have not won,  
Never stop for crying;  
All that's good and great is done  
Just by patient trying.

When a case presents that you cannot diagnose, either seek counsel or at once try and develop your education so that work can be done without jeopardizing the interests of your patients.

Anything that makes us take an unselfish interest in others makes us better.

Remember the deciduous teeth are designed to fulfill the same mission for the child as the permanent set does for the adult.

Not using available means (provided they are legitimate and not detrimental to the pulp) for lessening hypersensitiveness of teeth gives unnecessary dread of any future dental work. Every dentist who truly loves humanity and his profession will find himself more and more successful in finding them and using them.

“The Dental Profession thru its members acting as Dental Surgeons in the army are about to make a great test. We have secured legislation creating a great dental corps and it is now up to all of us to prove our value.”  
Dr. S. A. Allen.

They are a bunch of live ones out in the northwest. Two months ago they asked for three pages in the September Journal. We commend their procedure to other districts. The Journal management is quite willing to handle it at actual cost. They are going to have a grand meeting at Hastings October 16-17. The only kick that we have to register is the date. We know a number of Lincoln dentists who would attend were it not for the fact that they'll be on their way to attend the national at New York October 22-26.

A partial census indicates that about 18 or 20 Nebraska dentists will attend the National October 22-26, at New York. In a way, this is a creditable showing. It is probably more than attended any other National meeting unless it was the Kansas City one of several years ago. But on the other hand we ought to have a larger representation. Let's have more. Think of the educational advantages it affords—both dental and general. Think of that vacation you have needed for a long time. But don't think to long. Decide now. Send your name to Dr. H. E. King, our state secretary at Omaha.

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#### WHY?

Iowa, our sister state, thinks enough of the inmates of its various institutions to supply them with free dental service as follows:

The reformatory, Anamosa, Ia.; Clarinda hospital, Clarinda, Ia.; state penitentiary, Fort Madison, Ia.; state hospital, Independence, Ia.

Nebraska as yet has done nothing in the way of caring for its unfortunates, who need dental service, as most of them do. Isn't the time ripe for some concerted action to be taken by our state society for a betterment of conditions?

## OUR NEWS BUDGET

NEWS: Our readers are requested to send in items of news, also marked copies of newspapers containing matters of interest to dentists to **DRS. G. A. GRUBB or L. T. HUNT, Lincoln, Nebraska.** We shall be glad to know the name of the sender in every instance.

Dr. W. B. Smith of Fairbury is on his vacation at this time.

Dr. Crane of Norfolk is enjoying his spare minutes in a new Dort.

Dr. D. A. Finch of Grand Island is now enjoying his annual vacation.

The Billings laboratory furnished two men for the Eighth Regiment.

Dr. George Carroll, Omaha, spent a few days visiting at Stromsburg, Nebr.

Dr. W. F. Crook is again located at his old stamping grounds, North Platte.

Dr. W. D. Grandy of Superior was out of his office for a week's vacation.

Dr. Mabel Dixon of Hastings is back in her office after a month's vacation.

Dr. H. S. Murphy, Fremont, was in to the driving races recently held in Omaha.

Drs. M. L. Biggs, Tilden and L. A. Burgess, Oneill, were Omaha visitors on Labor Day.

Yes, Dr. Bonzell of Norfolk can be seen any Sunday showing up well on the golf "lynx."

Dr. George Hansen of Hastings spent some time this summer at his cottage in Minnesota.

Albert Elias motored down to Lincoln in his new Apperson road-a-plane and attended the state fair.

Dr. C. R. Buckley of Beatrice has been making use of his Buick six driving to Iowa recently.

Dr. H. E. Gladfelder, Central City, has fully recovered from a serious illness of stomach trouble.

Freshman classes will be small in the schools this year on account of the war and the four year course.

Dr. J. F. Chollette, Grand Island, spent several days looking over his interests in western oil fields.

Dr. Beste, who graduated at Creighton, 1917, has associated himself with Dr. Putlitz of South Omaha.

Dr. F. Hensel, Deshler, makes all the fairs in that new Buick and he makes them in record time.

Appearances indicate that the Profession will make a grand showing at the National meeting this year.

Dr. C. C. Lillibridge, Weston, was quietly married to Miss Ella Elizabeth Ziegenbein of Minneapolis, Nebr.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Victor of Hettinger Brothers, visited with Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore of Grand Island.

Dr. Tom Allen, Schuyler, on vacation at Lake Andes, S. D., and reports some fine catches of three-pound.

Dr. W. A. Macgregor, L. D. C., 1917, has been ordered to report to the dental reserve at Houston, Texas.

Dr. Shults, Creighton 1917, is now associated with Dr. J. J. McMullen, Omaha National Bank Bldg., Omaha.

M. J. White, formerly of the Jones-Oakes Co., is now associated with the P. T. Barber Dental Supply Co.

Drs. Dewell, Grandy, Hensel, Wait and Voigt were in attendance at the Nuckolls County fair at Nelson.

They tell us that Dr. Cane of O'Neil is growing fat and lazy waiting for the ship to take him across the pond.

It's all right, Peggy Miller, your town may be Superior, but Uncle Sam treats you the same as the rest of us.

Latest reports from Dental Colleges indicate that freshmen will be as scarce as teeth in some chickens.

Dr. McPherson of Norfolk reads his commission sixteen times a day and dreams of Paris and pretty nurses.

Dr. R. P. Johnson of Lincoln Dental College, class of 1917, is now associated with Dr. Phelps in Holdrege.

Dr. A. L. Rousey and wife are very happy over the arrival of a baby girl. The Journal extends congratulations.

Dr. Don Webster, L. D. C., '17, has been visiting his parents and friends at Hastings the last two weeks.

Dr. A. W. Luff, Central City, has returned after one month spent in Minnesota endeavoring to lure the finny ones.

Dr. J. E. Wallace, Oakland, spent the month of July at Galesburg, Ill., attending one circus after another, horse races, etc.

Dr. L. A. Chamberlain of Curtis, driving a Buick, broke a few speed laws on his trip to his native soil, Asheville, O.

Dr. "Pete" Pierson, L. D. C., '17, of Stromsburg has reported for service at some southern camp in the Dental Reserve.

Dr. B. L. Spellman of Beatrice is planning a week or ten days' outing up in the chicken country—Lincoln county we believe.

Dr. Scace of Winside is really working now. It must be serious to get back from a vacation a married man just in time to buy coal.

Dr. S. A. Allen, Loup City, President of the Nebraska State Dental Society, was in Lincoln on State Board matters during state fair week.

How does Dr. Dale Houlette of Merna like married life? I wonder if he has bought his coal? Or do they burn buffalo chips out there?

Dr. J. H. Meyers, Grand Island, is confined to his bed with a very severe case of ivy poisoning, contracted while in bathing in the Loup river.

Dr. Wilson, formerly of Fremont, has taken his examination for the Reserve Corps, but has not received his commission as yet.

Dr. R. G. Maxwell, Leigh, decided that Vail et al, would have nothing on him so he is now the proud possessor of a Hudson super six.

The departure of Dr. Vic Coulter gives some one else an opportunity to take up the dental clinic work at the Lincoln public schools.

Mr. V. K. Lowe of the Billings Dental Supply Company has returned from a month's vacation at his home. Says he gained—pounds.

Drs. Thomas and Hopper of Hastings spent the month of August at Home, Colo., camping and fishing. They returned August 25.

Dr. W. C. McHenry, Nelson, returned the first of the month from Wisconsin, but he has told none of his friends anything about fishing.

Dr. C. A. Spellman returned from his three weeks' stay in Colorado much improved in health. He intends to take things easy for awhile.

Dr. R. B. Carney of Omaha was recently married. Someone put the following sign on his office door. "Married, back in two weeks, if able."

Dr. G. H. Hunt of Hastings was drafted and has taken the examination for the Dental Reserve. Dr. Hipple giving the examination at Omaha.

Dr. H. J. McBeth, Osceola, for a hobby raises blooded horses. While his horse did not "get in the money" at Omaha recently, he ran a wonderful race.

Dr. H. A. Adams of Paxton Block fame of Omaha, took a trip out to the western part of the state the middle of August, stopping at Lexington and Holdrege.

I heard that Dr. Saeger of Norfolk had gone into life insurance business and when I saw his name on a circular I thought he had went and done it. But he hasn't.

Dr. Roebacher, formerly of Norfolk, is now located in Ogalalla. We can almost see him wading around in that stuff, plucking teeth and watching his war babies grow.

Gene Mueller, manager Billings Laboratory, has just returned from an auto trip to St. Louis in his Stratford Paige. Says the Mineola Hills are real tests of skilled driving.

Dr. S. O. Allen has examined about 20 men, Dr. Clyde Davis, about 40 men and Drs. Hipple and Bruening about 80 men for the Dental Reserve. A good many of the men have received their commissions. The exact figures on this is not available.

Dr. Mittlestadt of Norfolk has returned from a two weeks' vacation in Colorado. We understand that Dr. Saeger of Norfolk is treating pyorehea now.

Dr. Ray Brigham is now working with Dr. W. H. Thomas of Lincoln. Dr. Brigham has recently taken the Dental Reserve examination at Omaha.

The following dentists attended the races at Geneva: Griess, Sutton; Arken, Fairmont; Palmer, Clay Center; Sewell, Davenport; and McHenry, Nelson.

Dr. H. A. Nelson of Omaha has the latset and biggest fish story. A five-pound bass caught in Lake Ericson. Story verified by Dr. J. C. Soukup.

Drs. C. S. Grensel and Vic Coulter of Lincoln and Dr. H. H. Miller of Superior have reported at Fort Logan and Houston, Tex., for active service.

Dr. C. L. Mullins, M.D., Broken Bow, who had charge of the "Better Babies" at the State Fair, has a son who is practicing dentistry at Valparaiso, this state.

Dr. L. A. Gates, Grand Island, has received his commission at first lieutenant in the dental reserves corp but as yet has not received orders to the front.

Dr. M. E. Eby, Hartington, made a flying visit to Omaha in his car, bringing his wife who underwent a slight operation at one of the local hospitals.

Dr. Shearer, Omaha, is on the program of the Missouri Valley Medical Society for a paper on "Oral Surgery." This organization meets at Lincoln, August 20-22.

If you are planning to attend the National Association at New York, October 22-26, send your name to Dr. H. E. King, Omaha, Secretary of our State Society.

Dr. D. E. Maxwell, Cedar Rapids, attended the Stecher-Plestina wrestling match. Doctor says that as a wrestler Plestina would make a fine section hand.

Dr. F. H. Welden, Gothenburg, spent a vacation of 10 days the last of August on a fishing trip. His destination landed him about 30 miles south of North Platte.

Dr. Frank J. Kubitschek has returned from his vacation spent at his home in Eagle Grove, Ia. He will again have charge of the Clinic at Creighton Dental College.

Dr. P. T. Barber of Omaha has again answered the call of the grand old game of golf. He claims that he will soon be on speaking terms with Old Man Bogey.

The following Lincoln dentists scored the "Better Babies" at the Nebraska state fair: Drs. Bumstead, Pierce, Webster, Ronne, Grubb, Taylor, Withers and Cobb.

Dr. Grant Williams of Omaha was one of the prominent drivers at the Western Driving Association and while he got no firsts—he says—wait another year.

Members of the Nebraska examining board for the Dental Reserves have received orders to complete examinations already begun, but not to give to new applicants.

Dr. M. H. Westfall, formerly of Lincoln, is now practicing at University Place. The Doctor takes over the office formerly occupied by Dr. C. E. Brown of Lincoln.

A very striking picture recently appeared in one of the Omaha papers of Lieutenant Karrer, who is looking after the teeth of the boys of the 4th Nebraska, at Deming, N. M.

Dr. D. B. (Sandy) Walters, of Chadron, Nebr., spent September 13 in Omaha on his way to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where he holds a Lieutenant's commission in the Dental Corps.

Dr. Jas. E. McCann, City National Bank Bldg., Omaha, motored to Lincoln to attend Omaha day at the Nebraska State Fair, and when a few miles out of Havelock his car skidded and fractured his left arm just at the upper extremity of the humerus.

Dr. Tomiska of Ravenna drove to Grand Island, but it looked rainy so he returned immediately. He couldn't figure that he ought to spoil the little pain he had on the Ford.

Jas. Sadil of the Billings Dental Supply Co., better known to many as "Jimmie," writes from San Antonio that he made his first flight with his aeroplane, getting up to 13,000 ft.

Dr. W. A. Cox recently conducted an auto party to Fremont just after a rain and according to Dr. Fred Whitcomb he can easily qualify to drive a machine "somewhere in France."

Dr. Robt. Schimel, who has been associated with Dr. Jas. Connoly, has taken over the practice of Dr. "Bill" Walzum, of South Omaha, who is now First Lieutenant at Houston, Texas.

Dr. J. E. Wait, Superior, has returned from Ohio. While there he visited the Research building of the N. D. A. He says the work is fine. The only thing they need is more money.

Dr. Gus Griess of Sutton passed through Lincoln on a little vacation trip. Said vacation consisted in taking his physical exam in Omaha and his dental examination under Dr. Allen at Loup City.

Dr. C. A. Phillips of Hastings stopped off in Omaha on his way home from Indiana where he has extensive land interests. A luncheon was tendered the Doctor by several local dentists.

Dr. W. D. Neville of Fairbury was drafted among the first from his county, but has passed the Reserve examination. They can surely make a place for "Bill" as his quality are badly needed.

Dr. C. E. Bolzell, Stanton, is spending his vacation—blowing himself—being a sufferer of hay fever. He selected Excelsior Springs for a quiet place. We wonder if because it's in Missouri?

Clint Hamilton of P. T. Barber & Co. is planning a vacation trip to Long Pine to hunt chicken. "Shorty" claims it is prairie chicken, but those that know him well are very doubtful as to his statements.

The delegates and alternates to the National are as follows: J. H. Wallace, Omaha; G. A. Grubb, Lincoln; W. L. Shearer, Omaha; F. F. Whitcomb, Omaha; Dr. Litchfield, Humboldt; M. E. Vance, Lincoln.

Dr. G. L. Spencer, Polk, took an enforced vacation. An explosion of an alcohol stove caused his right arm, hand, and shoulder to be severely burned. Doctor Spencer carries a good accident policy.

Dr. W. H. Miner of Norfolk has now associated with him Dr. Elmer K. Smith, formerly of Chicago. Dr. Smith is specializing in prophylaxis and will take over Dr. Miner's practice in case he is called.

Dr. W. A. McHenry of Nelson says that he regrets that he can not attend the National this year. He adds, "But, I'll finish up my Masonic work this fall, and hereafter you'll see me at the National meetings."

Dr. F. D. Voigt, Ogallala, is one of the drafted boys who has not as yet received his commission. He says a little good training at thirty a month will not hurt him while waiting for said commission.

Dr. P. T. Barber has just returned from a visit to Fort Riley, Kansas. He reports the work being accomplished there as wonderful and cannot be described in these columns, but must be seen to be appreciated.

Dr. Kierstead of Norfolk hasn't any help now and is back on the job himself. Poor little fellow, those big teeth are so heavy for a little fellow. Nevertheless there is no record of him ever dropping one on his toe.

Capt. Dr. O. M. Newman, Aurora, has for many years been an earnest advocate of preparedness in a military way and is now actively engaged in drilling and training a number of recruits for military duty.

The next regular meeting of the Nebraska State Board of Dental Examiners will be in Omaha, November 6-7-8-9 at the Creighton Dental College. For further information address Dr. S. A. Allen, Loup City, Nebr.

Dr. "Issy" Harlow, L. D. C., '17, after passing both the Nebraska and Wyoming dental boards, received an appointment as dental surgeon in a regiment of the Wyoming national guard. Congratulations, Harlow.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Soukup, Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Nelson, and Miss Alice Nelson, Omaha, recently returned from a trip to Lake Ericson, where they caught SOME bass and encountered SOME hills and sand. Dr. Nelson's Winton is now known as the "Sand Mouse."

Dr. Roscoe Smith, M. D. of Lincoln, will present a paper on Dental Radiography from a Physician's and Professional Radiographer's Viewpoint, October 8, before the October meeting of the Lincoln Dental Society.

Dr. Higgins of Atkinson is holding his head under water thirty minutes each day trying to get ready for the submarines in the Atlantic. Why practice staying under, the trouble be to stay above water?

There is a general feeling in official circles that the recent graduates will be assigned to camp duty in the United States and that the older dentists will be given a little special schooling for face surgery work in France.

Dr. White of Wayne went out to the mountains and swallowed a rock. They found it and chopped it out of his appendix. He is getting along fine and we hear that he is about ready to dare a third M. D. to put a scar on him.

Dr. Miner of Norfolk admits that Dr. L. R. Houlette of Ravenna can hang heavy and long on a lower third molar, but he don't believe there is a tooth in the world that can quite hold him. But, Oh, Heavens, those cow horns.

Dr. Fred Webster, Lincoln, drove his "Olds" out to Kimball, leaving Lincoln September 19. The potato harvest is now on out there, and Dr. Fred says, since my operating rooms are not ready to occupy, I might just as well pick potatoes.

Dr. Burgess said he went to Omaha to take the examination for the Dental Reserve Corps and didn't pass the physical. He don't look like there was anything wrong with him. I wonder if that's what he was really down there for.

Dr. J. B. Marshall has decided to be his own boss. He is now located at 11th and O street, Lincoln, over Harley's, expecting to take over Dr. Farrington's practice when Dr. Farrington is called to—I think they said France.

Mrs. Jas. Robbins, wife of Dr. Robbins of Lyons, recently had a very serious operation performed at St. Joseph's Hospital, Omaha. We are glad to announce that she is recovering very rapidly. Dr. Robbins drove in to take her home.

Dr. Art Lucas of Omaha tells of a very interesting trip thru the Black Hills and oil wells of Wyoming in his Allen car. He claims to have solved all radiator trouble by the simple method of feeding it with cream of wheat—ask him.

Dr. Lawrence Allen Cates of Grand Island, Dr. George H. Hansen of Hastings and Dr. J. L. Ubl of Ashton have received commissions for the Dental Reserve Corps. Dr. S. A. Allen, one of the preliminary dental examiners for Nebraska, examined them.

Dr. Baird of Fairmont stopped every place going up and told people what he was going to do with the fish up the line, but he didn't stop coming back and tell what he did to them. Well, that's all right, Doctor; it's better than fish storying about it like you usually do.

Dr. Crook's offices de lux located in the City National Bank Bldg., Omaha, are vacant as the Doctor could not stay away from his old home town, North Platte. Anyone wishing to locate in the most beautiful offices in the state would do well to get in touch with Dr. Crook.

Dr. Adolph Kubetschek, Creighton 1917, has decided to make the path thru life wide enough for two, so he has taken Miss Leon Bollinger, of Des Moines, Iowa, as his better half. Dr. Kubetschek has also received his commission as First Lieutenant Dental Reserve Corps.

Dr. J. R. Moore, Grand Island, and Miss Rose Faerber, Leavenworth, Kansas, were married August the 8th. We understand that Dr. Moore now meets his patients with a smile that won't come off. Also information is at hand to the effect that father Dr. L. S. Moore is pleased with the event.

Miss Bertha Crick, assistant to Dr. C. E. Brown, Orthodontist of Lincoln, was married August 14 to Mr. A. E. Brown, who is in the medical department of the army. After the excitement had subsided following the time when the wives of four Lincoln dentists sat up all night because their four direlict husbands failed to put in their appearance. Miss Crick remarked that "She'd like to see the man that she would sit up all night for." We are watching the score board.

A number of Nebraska dentists have gone or expect to go to war. Among those who have received the call are: Dr. D. B. Walters, Chadron; Dr. W. P. Higgins, Atkinson; Dr. F. D. Caldwell, Bancroft; Dr. F. A. O'Connell, Norfolk; Dr. F. M. Barnes, Harrison; Dr. W. D. Burns, Omaha.

Dr. Ferdinand Gries and wife of Sutton, together with Dr. Fred Webster and wife of Lincoln, spent their week's vacation at Spirit Lake, Iowa. It was so cold the bait froze on the hook, but both gentlemen were nicely sun burned when they came back, and Dr. Webster had an excellent case of poison ivy.

The Nebraska State Board of Dental Examiners held a special meeting at Lincoln, September 5 and 6, when two candidates, Dr. Clayton Clyde Cundall of Sutton and Dr. Paul William Schroeder of Lincoln were examined for license and were awarded same. Drs. Fraser, Griess and Allen conducted the meeting.

Dr. J. F. Nelson, Marshall Field Annex, Chicago, Ill., has been in Nebraska the past two weeks visiting home folks and his dentist friends. Frank looks well and is enjoying a fine practice in Prophylaxis. He tells us our old friend, Dr. Jno. Kirby, is in private practice and practicing what he preached to us when here.

Dr. Walter Sorensen of Omaha has just received his orders to report to Ft. Sam, Houston, Texas, for active service. Walter is one of the first Nebraska reserve men who has been ordered to report for active service and may well feel proud of the honor of helping do his bit during this great crisis.

Drs. Buckley, Hancock, Beeson, Fellers and C. A. Spellman of Beatrice drove to Fairbury the evening of September 12th, taking dinner at the Mary Etta Hotel with Drs. Bond, Blair, Hatfield and Neville. Plans were outlined for the meeting of the Southeastern district. The date we believe is October 29-30.

The August issue of the California Dental Journal pays a high tribute to the Nebraska Dental Journal. We are disposed to return the compliment. It is not as old as "Our Journal." It is in its second year. We enjoyed reading it very much. Two of its editorials are so pointed that we are copying them in this issue.

Dr. W. H. Miner of Norfolk was a recent visitor to Omaha. Doctor has been having trouble with his appendix and as he holds a commission in the army he wanted to know whether he could lose said appendix now as it might be rather inconvenient to get rid of it when he was "somewhere in France."

Here is a partial list of dentists who are planning to attend the National at N. Y., October 22-26: Dr. Litchfield, Humboldt; Dr. Meredith, York; Dr. Finch, Grand Island; Drs. Wallace, Shearer, Whitcomb, Barber, Prime, and Dunham, of Omaha; and Drs. Clyde Davis, Vance, Crowley, Webster, Brown, Grubb, Graham, and Nelson of Lincoln.

W. P. Sutton, traveling salesman for the Goetze-Niemer Supply Co., of St. Joseph is now making his territory in company with Henry Ford and was also once seen when with Mrs. Sutton. He says that he may have to go to war, so believing in preparedness, is going to fix things so his trade will be looked after as well as ever, perhaps better.

Dr. Cundle, L. D. C. '17, paid Norfolk a visit and took the physical examinations for the dental reserve corps. For some unknown reason he had to go to Winside before he left for his home and attempted the trip in Dr. Miner's flier. The next day we heard something about a sand bank and a fellow from Norfolk. No, Doctor, you've got to use two hands on a Ford.

This from a correspondent who has responded cheerfully when appealed to for items: "If you will let me know about what time each month you want items to be sent in I will scare up all I can and try to get them in on time." Thank you very much. How many more will throw asmuch into the Nebraska State Dental Journal grist mill?

Thru the efforts of the directors of the Omaha Free Dental Dispensary the children in the public schools who are unable to pay the ordinary dental fees and at the same time are not really charity patients can by making arrangements with the school nurses obtain a card of identification, and on presentation to any of the dentists who have given their services to the dispensary receive needed dental work at almost cost. The price to be determined after the parent of the child and dentist have an understanding.

Dr. Ralph Carney, Brandeis Theater Bldg., Omaha, has taken unto himself a wife he quietly stole away during the past month and together he and Miss O'sen, also of Omaha, were married. After a honeymoon trip thru the south they will return to Omaha where the Doctor is awaiting orders to report for duty as a member of the Dental Reserve Corps.

Dr. J. A. Cobb, Lincoln, says he feels so much better since he has been driving a car. He has driven better than four thousand miles this summer. He has made a Saturday to Monday trip almost every week. July the 4th he made a seven hundred mile trip to North Platte and back. Another trip included Holdrege. Other points visited were Wymore, DeWitt and Omaha.

One of the live Nebraska correspondents to the news items discontinued his listby saying that he would be obliged to go get his semi-annual hair cut so that he would have it for Thanksgiving. Bro. Nebraska Dentists we were willing to let him go at that time, too, because he sent in the largest, livest, newsiest bunch of items yet received. We hope he got some hair cut.

Dr. W. A. Thomas of Columbus drove to Omaha over the Lincoln Highway. Doctor states that as far as he is concerned the Union Pacific has the only highway between Columbus and Omaha, but at the same time he is wondering what happened to all of the money appropriated for the Highways. We also put forth the same question. You fellows on the Lincoln Highway why don't you get busy?

Dr. R. E. Ragan, L. D. C. 1911, located at Twin Falls, Idaho, for the last several years was drowned September 16. We were unable to get particulars. He was located at Hebron, this state, for the first few years after graduation. In a partnership agreement he had all the practice he could care for at Twin Falls. The body was brot to Utica, Nebraska, the old home, for burial. He leaves a wife, a child and mother.

Dr. O'Connell of Norfolk purchased a new Dort and taken a trip to his home in South Dakota. Dr. O'Connell was heard to say that his Dort was out of commission Saturday, but he was still smiling, and cheerfully admitted that the best part of Omaha would be in Norfolk Sunday. Why should he worry.. He should, but what will he do with them when U. S. realized he has a commission and needs him.

Dr. G. W. Burgess, L. D. C., 1917, is taking care of Dr. A. N. Wells of West Point, while the latter is taking a month's vacation in Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York and other eastern states. Dr. Burgess also took care of Dr. E. W. Draper, Torrington, Wyo., while the latter was getting married. We haven't been able to get any of the details of the wedding. Dr. Burgess says he's not been able to save much money, but that he has enjoyed seeing the country.

Drs. Wallace, Shearer, Barber, Whitcomb, Prime, H. E. King, Gietzen of Omaha, Litchfield of Humboldt and Smith of Fairbury attended the Delta Sigma Delta banquet, tendered Dr. J. D. Patterson on September 8th in Kansas City. The Omaha dentists returned via Fort Riley, where they visited Dr. Glen Whitcomb and inspected the camp. From all reports they had some trip. Rumors have it that they went to sleep standing and walking after they returned. Dr. Barber gave up. He slept full time for three or four days.

Any of the fellows who receive commissions in the dental corps and are unable to obtain shoulder markings and hat bands may obtain them from The M. C. Lilly Co., Columbus, Ohio, at the following prices:

1st Lieutenant shoulder bars.....	30c
Hat cord.....	\$1.50
Collar service letters U. S. R.....	.55c
Dental Insigna.....	\$½.40
Postage.....	13c

Dr. W. E. Stoff, Omaha, spent a few days at Excelsior Springs, Mo., attending the meeting of the American Society of Orthodontists. At this meeting such men as V. H. Jackson of New York, originator of the Jackson regulating appliance; Dr. Dewey of Chicago and Dr. Lourie of Chicago, who has a patent on a new appliance, which the Orthodontists will watch with interest, were there. Dr. McCauley, Dallas, Texas, who gained some fame at the 1912 Nebraska State Meeting, sends his regards through Dr. Stoff to the Nebraska dentists who met him at that time. Dr. McCauley has a very kindly feeling toward Nebraska dentists.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT MEET**

The Southwestern District will hold their tenth annual meeting at Cambridge on Monday, October 22nd. A good program is in course of preparation which will be both interesting and very instructive.

We are after a very prominent Nebraska man to give us some time on that day, and the chances are that we will be able to land him.

We wish most cordially to invite all members of the State Society, and more especially every member of the district to make arrangements now to be present. This is your meeting and you are paying for it, so come out and get your money back in the good you will be sure to receive. We want to have a dandy big and enthusiastic meeting.

**INVITATION OF NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY**

With the exception of Germany the whole world is invited to attend this meeting. We have decided to take in considerable territory to insure a big attendance. The committee have made arrangements with Herbert Hoover to have the price of food stuff reduced so that no one will feel that in order to have a little spare change to spend for "Bevo" and "Snappy" they will have to bring their lunches.

Sincerely,

MESERVEY.

**DR. ARTHUR BOUCHER**

Word that Dr. Arthur Boucher, 26, who was graduated in dentistry from Creighton University in April, 1913, with high honors, was killed by shell fire in action on the morning of April 9, "somewhere in France," was received in Omaha Saturday by Police Judge Madden from the youth's mother at Wascea, Minnesota.

Dr. Boucher was a private in the Canadian army, having enlisted in 1916. After his graduation he located at Ely, Minn. In 1913 he entered the United States army and served for three years.

"I knew him well. He was a splendid fellow," said Dr. Charles Shook when he learned of his death.

**Letter from Chaplain.**

Mrs. M. Boucher, the soldier's mother, sent Judge Madden a copy of the letter she received from J. H. White, chaplain.

It read:

My Dear Madam: I deeply regret having to confirm the sad intelligence already sent you of the death of your son, Private J. A. Boucher, No. 646,219, who was killed in action on the morning of April 9. He took part in an important engagement and was instantly killed by shell fire in the action. His remains are laid to rest in a military cemetery by the side of many of his brave comrades who fell in the same engagement. Your son was well liked by his comrades and officers and did his duty as a man, giving his life for the sake of truth, honor and freedom.

I desire to assure you of my personal sympathy with you in the loss of your dear son.

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to the

**PREPAREDNESS LEAGUE OF AMERICAN DENTISTS**

3 Professional Bldg.,

**131 Allen Street, Buffalo, N. Y.**

I hereby make application for ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP in the Preparedness League of American Dentists, which entitles me to all the benefits and privileges of the organization.

Enclosed find \$1.00 (One Dollar).

No dues or assessments.

Signed.....

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Please write name and address plainly.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Alma, Nebr., August 29, 1917.

I enjoyed my trip east very much and it was quite a mental feast to visit with some of the big men of the dental profession. In Chicago I saw Dr. Dewey and Brophey, and also enjoyed a long visit with our old friend, Dr. Nelson, formerly at Superior. He is now on a fair road to success practicing prophylaxis as a specialty.

Then I visited Washington, D. C. about a week. Saw both the House and Senate in action on a food bill, and incidentally enjoyed a few good rides on the fine boulevards and visited many of the interesting and enjoyable places in and about Washington.

Then I went to New York and spent considerable time in Dr. Jackson and Dr. Stanton's offices. Dr. Stanton is the man who writes articles in the Digest and has invented a very delicately constructed instrument for surveying models to be regulated to determine exactly what the finished result should be; and I also spent two days with Dr. Chayes, the greatest man on removable bridge-work. He has some wonderful models to illustrate his work.

Then I made some stops in Niagara Falls and Detroit. Altogether I consider my vacation a howling success, notwithstanding the fact that I met all the heat. They are making some great preparations for the National.

Fraternally,

G. M. BOEHLER.

Dr. Meservey of Kearney was very successful in collections last week an invested 50c in Ye precious stuff called bacon and on leaving the meat market placed same in his vest pocket, but on arriving home was horrified to find it missing. Remembering that he had crossed a piece of rough road on his way home he hastened back and was just in time to see an ambitious red ant pulling his half-dollar's worth of meat down a hole.

S. A. ALLEN.

Seattle, Wash., July 20, 1917.  
342 16 Ave. North.

Dear Doctor:

I am having a good vacation. It is cool and a delight to humans. I bought me an Oakland six and to look at Washington state as we go by. I expect to sell the car at the close of the vacation for about as much as I gave, hence saves the wear on my American for the summer. Have been south to Olympia, also east over the Cascade range through Suqualing Pass swung the auto wheels into snow two feet deep in the middle of July. Will probably climb Mount Rainier as soon as the snow gets out of Paradise Valley sufficient to pass autos. That will be about the middle of August.

Have caught a few fish, but they keep telling us about the "fishing" just a little farther in so fast that my little six, I am driving can not catch up with the indicated points. If I had a late model bi-plane I would fool them once and light on the spot before they had time to say "now if you will just drive on up to etc., etc., you will be able to catch plenty of fish."

The Seattle Xi Psi Phi boys honored me with a dinner last evening, July 9th. They sent best wishes to the Nebraska boys and particularly Psi chapter. Some of the active members of the chapter at Portland, Oregon, were present. We saw the Lincoln boys also.

Dr. C. B. Branson, L. D. C., 1906, is looking fine. Has just returned from a trip to California for rest only. Hopes Beatries is still on the map.

Dr. J. W. Dorwart, L. D. C., 1906,, is well located and busy. Says Seattle for him.

Dr. C. D. Totman, L. D. C., 1916, has just moved to new quarters, and is getting a start pleasing to him. He was recently married to a Seattle lady. He enjoys the privilege of practicing in the same office with his wife who is a Science Healer. She says Dr. Totman seems to hear all right now except when she says something about his smoking in the house or mowing the lawn, when he seems to be stone deaf.

I would write more now but it is only 60 in the house and I must get out in the sun to warm my back a bit.

Yours fraternally,

CLYDE DAVIS.