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PICTURES TO BE SEEN AT OUR STATE MEETING

In the last issue of the Journal your Executive Committee told you of the type of men which they were trying to secure as lecturers and clinicians for our meeting May 20, 21, 22, 23, at Lincoln. The following paragraphs partially describe a few of the men we have secured. There are others of whom word pictures will appear in the next issue.

If the rank and file of the members of N. S. D. S. will come to Lincoln for the opening session Monday, May 20th, 2 p. m., staying through to the close, and try as hard to enjoy and profit by the program as their officers have to prepare it for them they will return to their homes feeling that the time was well spent.

"A Prophet is Not Without Honor, Save in His Own Country"

But not in this case. The State Dental Society is going to do honor to one of her greatest teachers, one whom other societies of many different states have repeatedly seen fit to honor by soliciting his presence at their annual gatherings. His ideas on "tooth form," "manipulation of gold foil," "cavity preparation," "mysteries of amalgam," and new principles and improvements in many different kinds of instruments, have attracted many of our best men in the profession. He has appeared before our National Society and made many friends from all sections of the country. A natural teacher, always ready to give of the fruits of his labor; one of his favorite expressions is, "The best way to keep a thing that you have learned, is to give it away."

A short time ago I saw some gold operations from this man's hands; they were beautiful; in them he had given expression of his very highest ideals; they were artistic, they showed temperament and character, you could read the man's nature in these operations as you would in an open book. The thoughts of the operator were not guided by hate, envy or jealousy, but by kindness and love for his fellow man; in these operations he had exemplified the golden rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

And at our State Society meeting, this man will be there, with his welcome smile and hearty handshake, and all he has is yours for the asking.

We will become indebted to Dr. J. M. Prime for many good things to help us along the way.

Dayton Dunbar Campbell

Not a new man among us, but because the demand for his work calls for a return engagement proves all the stronger the value of his teachings. Almost every man in the state has seen Dayton Campbell, heard him talk in that good, clever, easy style, saw him work hard on difficult cases, and get away with it, too.

Most all of us are today using and employing his methods to some extent in our practice, and who would want to sell what they have learned of Dayton for what it cost them to get it? Well, he is coming bigger and better this time than ever. Coming with the tried and tested and leaving at home those things he has found faulty. You will enjoy him more this time than ever before. He has a whole drayload of equipment and there is one part of his outfit too big for any dray to haul. Its reputation is far bigger than any state in the union. I speak of that man McClelland. Can you beat him? They are a great pair and work together like clock work. Dayton is president of the big Missouri State Society this year and is busier than a bee right now arranging for a meet the first week in April. It was said of Dr. Campbell that he was the best clinician on the floor of the Golden Anniversary meeting of the Illinois State at Chicago, which was at that time the record dental meeting ever held in the world. The committee feels happy to announce to you the coming of Dr. Campbell this year. Don't miss him. His stuff is practical, clean, interesting, and too valuable for you to miss.

Charles E. Woodbury

Good, faithful Charlie Woodbury. An old practitioner and neighbor just across the line. A natural teacher. A great student. The uplift of dentistry in this part of the country is due more to the efforts of Charlie Woodbury than to any other one man. Where is the man who has personally known Dr. Woodbury who has not had a benefit from the acquaintance? Where is the man who has felt the influence of his friendship and not been made a better man? Where is the man who has been a student under Charlie and not received a valuable fund of practical information? Indeed, Dr. Woodbury has been an inspiration to every one with whom he has associated. You can not brush elbows with Charlie and not get a broader view of dentistry. He has been a faithful and untiring teacher of the great Black, whose methods and teachings he has most carefully interpreted and taught. He has the honor of having a number of study clubs bearing his name, in which clubs he has been a valuable teacher for years. Charlie will be one of our clinicians this year, and his table will be deserving of your time and most serious thought.

Dr. Willis A. Coston

During the session of a big dental meeting in Kansas City, Dr. Coston was called upon and introduced as the best dentist in the state of Kansas. Yes, we think that is right; and we might take in a little more territory. Quiet, modest yet powerful when he stands up in defense of the truth. He is a clever clinician and a most entertaining speaker. He is in great demand all over the country. Each visit to a dental meeting is an add for his ability, and the calls come for him thick and fast. He has a happy faculty of looking straight at the truth of things. He does not deliberate long in deciding if a thing has merit, and he does not hesitate to

give a reason for his convictions. His work alone will be worth your time and expenses to come all the way across the state, or even farther. Stick around his clinic and you will get some stuff you need. He has been twice to district societies in this state, and many have already seen him, and we are sure that they will be greatly benefited by seeing him again. He will not only clinic, but will appear on the evening program with one of his famous satires, which to miss will make you sorry.

CHLORA-PERCHA DOES NOT RADIOGRAPH

W. Clyde Davis, Lincoln, Nebr.

While doing some research work, relative to root canal fillings and focal oral infection, I was struck by the large number of root fillings I had personally placed which showed a healthy apical region with the root filling only one-half or two-thirds of the way to the apex, the remaining one-half or one-third showing as though there existed an entirely unfilled canal which appeared of easy access, yet small.

I therefore did the following experiment, which I would advise every radiographer to perform, to prove up my findings.

I prepared four small straight root canals, as found in lower centrals. I broached them with a small reamer until the broach would protrude slightly through the apical end. I flooded the canals with eucalyptol, then pumped into the canals chlora-percha as used by dentists generally for the past thirty years. This was pumped into the canal until it formed in a ball beyond the apex. A canal point was forced into the canal one-half the length of the canal, the canal point having been previously measured and cut to one-half the length of the root. The excess chlora-percha was then wiped off the end or root.

These roots were then lightly waxed to the face side of a film and exposed full time, at the usual distance. The result showed nothing in the apical half of the roots, while the canal point showed up clearly for the portion it occupied. The above is easily proven, in which case I would like to ask how much does the radiograph show us about the presence or absence of root fillings placed, these thirty years?

I am at present using a radiodescent chlora-percha made by adding eight grains of bismuth sub-nitrate to each drachm of chloroform before dissolving in the gutta-percha.

Dentists and radiographers better try this experiment and stop to think a bit before they diagnose "no root filling" when the apical third seems open in the rethenograph.

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Doctor McHenry:

I know that you are a busy man, and yet I cannot help but take this opportunity to bother you with a word of praise for the excellent Journal that you are publishing. I have read and reread with a great deal of interest your February issue and you are to be congratulated, not only on the general mechanical make-up of your magazine, but especially on the newsy and painstaking methodical way you have carried out the different departments of your Journal.

Wishing you the greatest possible success in this work, and with kindest regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,
 OTTO U. KING,
 Secretary.

ERRATUM

Article page 1, February issue, Nebraska Dental Journal, headed "Get This," the line reading, "The following is taken from a circular letter recently issued by W. A. Heckert 1st Lieut. D. R. C. U. S. A.," should be stricken out.

Nebraska Board of Examiners

Dr. J. H. Wallace, Omaha, President.
Term expires July, 1918.

Dr. Ferdinand Guess, Sutton, V.-Pres.
Term expires July, 1920.

Dr. M. O. Fraser, Lincoln.
Term expires July, 1921.

Dr. E. A. Meservey, Kearney.
Term expires July, 1917.

Dr. S. A. Allen, Loup City, Sec'y Treas.
Term expires July, 1919.

ILLEGAL DENTAL PRACTICE VS. ANNUAL REGISTRATION DUES

Nebraska licensed dentists who have been sending in their annual registration dues will be interested to know what your state board has been doing under the head of legal business. It is the general understanding that money obtained thru House Roll 486 (Dentists Annual Registration) be used to bring the law on illegal practice, and to show that your board has been really doing things along this line and to indicate some of the results obtained this article is submitted to the Journal.

We want the dentists of Nebraska to believe that our board means to do every possible thing to keep the state clean of illegal practice, but we must again and again remind dentists that in every business, in every walk of life new situations constantly arise, and the proposition of hunting, finding and punishing unlawful people is **continuous**. All complaints sent in to the board have not been carried to court, and these are two of the reasons: No material evidence, and the refusal of the one making the complaint to allow his name to be brought into the matter. Your board has learned that a complaint without witness who will testify is worth but little and nearly always results only in our paying some nice costs. We have complaints of dentists who are reported as allowing their assistants to operate at the chair. We promptly reply and ask the one making the complaint to secure witness who will testify or indicate where we can secure them, and we get an answer that "I know it is going on, but I don't want my name tied up in this thing." What can we do without that help? We could go to that town and camp there till the end of time, but without help from those who know the conditions we could get very little result. Now the board has several of this very sort of complaints on file, and we mean to proceed just as soon as the evidence has been secured which has been promised, but until we have it or are told where we can get it, we can do little toward this unlawful work.

Laboratory men working at the chair come under the same head. Right now this board is building up evidence against certain offices where this is being done, but experience has taught us that until we have enough real evidence it is better to wait awhile. Dr. Wallace, our board member who lives in Omaha, has more of this to do than has to be done in all the rest of the state combined, and this is the reason why the dentists of Omaha are insisting on two of our board being from Omaha. Dentists out in the state do not realize what a constant run of trouble this is for the dentists of Omaha. Dr. Wallace has spent more time getting after these dental crooks than readers would believe if we put it down here. He leaves his office many times and goes right into the place where it is said that illegal work is being done. He will find evidence if it can be found. Detectives are being hired by your board off and on and the "cleaning" process is made as effective as one man who must make a living at the practice of dentistry can make it. When the man who runs an office is doing all he can to protect the other lawbreaker who is working at the chair without license it takes time and money to get good evidence. We will outline some of the cases here for your consideration, and we wish to remind the dentists of Nebraska that it costs money to hire detectives, witnesses and lawyers, and if there are any dentists in the state who know of detectives and lawyers who are reliable and who will get real results and do the work free, for the love of Mike stand up and give us their names. They are hired at double the pay.

Shortly after the June meeting, 1913, Frank Arnold Patterson appeared before the Board Secretary, at that time Dr. J. S. Pirece, asked for a temporary permit, stating that he did not know the examination dates, but wished to enter upon the practice of dentistry in the state of Nebraska and had the proper credentials, but these credentials were in a box in storage at St. Paul, Minn., where he had been practicing.

The gentleman said he was a cousin of Dr. Patterson of Lincoln and a relative of Judge C. Patterson of Rushville. The temporary permit was granted with the understanding that the aforesaid Patterson had the proper credentials and he would produce them as soon as the things in storage arrived. The gentleman said he had practiced in Minnesota and New York, was a graduate of a dental school in Copenhagen, Denmark, and had taken a course in the Ohio Dental College. The gentleman was written to several times for his credentials, but they did not appear, nor did he appear at the following November examinations. He appeared at a subsequent examination two days late and was refused an examination because his credentials had never been presented.

The Board notified Patterson at this time that he would have to produce his credentials or cease practicing. He asked for a special privilege of two weeks' extension of time to finish up some work he had started for a ranchman some distance from where he was practicing at Gordon, saying it was unjust to dismiss the patient without completing the work. The Board granted this request, but when the time was up, he still continued to practice, and when the Board pressed the matter he filed apprenticeship papers under Dr. Jackman of Hay Springs, Nebraska. This apprenticeship was to be carried on in this manner: Jackman to practice in Hay Springs and Patterson at Gordon, a distance of some forty or fifty miles apart.

This matter of the apprenticeship agreement was referred to the attorney general, and he advised action being taken against Dr. Jackman of Hay Springs. This was filed and carried through the usual channels, with the result that the apprenticeship agreement between Jackman and Patterson was dissolved.

The next move Patterson made was to enjoin the Board of Health and the Dental Secretaries. The Board of Health includes the Governor, Attorney General and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The battle consumed the usual length of legal time, and was finally settled in Judge Westover's court at Rushville, Nebraska, in favor of the Board. This was conducted by the Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Dexter Barrett.

Patterson has practiced in New York City, and stated to one of the Board members that that was accomplished by handing over a cash consideration at stated intervals. He practiced in Minnesota for a period of time, but was finally compelled to discontinue practice.

The Nebraska Board have a complete set of affidavits from the then Board members as to why the man was compelled to discontinue the practice of dentistry, and it appears to the Board that he applied the same tactics in Nebraska that were used in Minnesota.

Frank Arnold Patterson has never presented his credentials, and from evidence collected, he hasn't any, and is not entitled to any. The Board corresponded with the American consul at Copenhagen and his reply was that there was no such dental school and never had been. The dean of the Ohio Dental College said Patterson was matriculated in the junior class, remaining only three weeks, leaving when he was pressed for proper credentials to enter upon the work of the school.

The Eades case was decided against the Board. This man commenced practicing in this state after his junior year in college. The old Board examined junior students at the time. Complete records are not to be found about the case and the attorney general compelled the Board to issue the gentleman a certificate.

The Matthew Clark case passed through mandamus proceedings and was decided in favor of the Board in Judge Redick's court, Douglas county. Clark returned to Illinois.

W. L. McCormick has been driven from the state at two different times, the last time from North Loup, and a permanent restraining order has been granted. The Board has had many cases brought to their attention for one cause or another, and interviews have been held by the Board, and in most

cases corrections have been agreed upon. The writer does not care to mention any names in this connection.

The case that is uppermost in the Board's mind at present is one referring to Mr. Paul Anthes. In the days when apprenticeship applications were allowed, Mr. Paul Anthes filed an application in the usual way and entered upon the apprenticeship of five years with Dr. Gladstone Derby. After three years had elapsed an attorney appeared before the Board in behalf of Mr. Anthes and asked us to annul two years of the time; he stating that the gentleman being perfectly capable, was entitled to an examination. This the Board did not grant. Some time after this Dr. Derby wished to withdraw as preceptor for the gentleman, and the balance of the period was transferred to Dr. Karrer. At the conclusion of the five years' period, the examination was taken and the applicant failed. The attorney general has ruled that Mr. Anthes could not be deprived of the right to continue to perfect himself until he is able to pass the Board examination. The attorney general granted this permission with the understanding that Mr. Anthes was to take up a course in dentistry. This everybody understood was to start last fall, but to date has not been started.

The writer was at Rushville on a Monday, representing the State Board of Dental Secretaries, with records, etc. We had to show that Patterson had been practicing dentistry and that he had no license. Patterson had one of the best lawyers in the state, and the Board had two good lawyers, who worked hard and did their work in an able manner. We had about twelve witnesses to prove that Patterson had done dental work for them. Postponements, getting witnesses and the trial took a week's time. We proved that Patterson had practiced dentistry and that he had no state license, and the presiding judge duly found that Patterson was guilty of practicing and that he did not have legal right so to do. He therefore issued a permanent injunction against Patterson not to practice until he had obtained a license in this state. And now if Patterson should perform dental operations at the chair he will be held in contempt of court, which is a very serious matter. So much in our favor. BUT—the judge also issued an order to the Board to give Patterson an examination; that in face of the fact that Patterson up to this time has not shown credentials which entitle him to an examination under our law; has not submitted proof that he has the preliminary or dental college education which our law says every candidate must have. So there is nothing left but to appeal this case to the higher courts, and to that end the facts and proper papers are now in the hands of our attorney general at Lincoln, with instructions and request by us to have our supreme court say whether a district judge can by his order qualify a person as a candidate for our examination in spite of the fact that the person has not met the requirements of our law with respect to preliminary and dental school education.

Wm. McCormick was reported practicing at North Loup. We sought a permanent injunction against him. A witness was secured, bonds signed by responsible dentists near North Loup, a lawyer hired and McCormick left the country. The injunction was obtained, and if he is caught practicing in this state while this injunction lives contempt of court awaits him, and as we have said before and those who have tasted it will assure you that contempt of court is a very strong arm of the law. The victim feels it.

We want dentists of this state to come to us when they have complaints. We mean to do things, and have some money to do it with, but we also want your help and with that we can and are doing things.

We will admit that more should be done, as Omaha dentists will strongly testify and show. There are a great many things which will have to come to pass in Nebraska before we can quickly and effectively get after the man who is not qualified to practice here. In the first place, our law is weak, as shown by the fact that we must take a case like that of Patterson to the supreme court. More money should be available for prosecuting.



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We do not know the author of the following, but at that we think it is worth repeating: "The gods cannot help the man who neglects opportunities."

"He is a wise man who knows his opportunity when he sees it."
—Stolen.

Our theme this month is "Opportunity." We've been studying the following quotation and have decided to classify it with our theme: "It is better to take things as they come than to miss them as they go." And why shouldn't our theme be opportunity. In this day when focal infection means so much, there is an unlimited field in root canal surgery. Then there are immense possibilities in partial dentures and removable bridgework.

Learn more, earn more. There is no truer law.

The vital problem with the dentist is, not—how can I secure riches—dividends; but how can I devise the ideas and plans that will produce them. Not—how can I scheme to get more business, but—how can I study so that I may take care of it when it comes.

You long for bigger fees, larger profits, greater success. Then develop ability, larger capacity, greater thought.

Success has its price—and you can pay it if you will. But ability is the only coin that passes current in its purchase.

Success is ten per cent opportunity and ninety per cent hard work.—With apologies to the author.

“Those who are content to hitch on behind must expect to take a lot of dust.”

It is common report that many of the Army Medical men have been neglectful of our soldier boys. We submit the question: Is the same true of the army Dentists?

Many dentists have had the pleasure of caring for soldiers home on “leave of absence.” When asked, why didn’t you have your army dentist take care of you, the reply invariably was: “Not me! No Army Dentist in mine!”

Further inquiry seemed to indicate that these men have a reputation for roughness and carelessness. We do not believe this is true of the Dental Reserve Corp Men. Some of our best young men are in this division. If it is true, we believe the fault lies with the regular army dentist and the regimental dentist of the National Guard formations previous to the outbreak of the war. This takes in a class of men who could not make a success of private practice or who were out for a “glorious good time.” This is a problem that the profession will have to meet. At the close of the war these D. R. C. men will return among us. With the accusation of the soldier boys against them, they will find difficulty in establishing a practice.

IT IS A WISE DENTIST

Who makes D. D. S. stand for, Deliver Delightful Service;
 Who polishes his manners as highly as he should his work;
 Who learns young in life both to **Pay** and to **Play**;
 Who lives peaceably with all **wo**-mankind;
 Who watches his looks as well as looks at his watch;
 Who puts plenty of **labor** in his **labor**-atory;
 Who keeps constantly in mind that all **credit** is **dis**-credit;
 Who visits, regularly and frequently, nature’s art gallery;
 Who believes that his grass is greener, prettier, and healthier than that of his neighbor;
 Who explodes, and explores a dental magazine monthly.—John P. Erwin, D. D. S., Perkasio, Pa.

THE UNSOLVED QUESTION: PULPLESS TEETH

“To treat or not to treat, that is the question. Whether it is safer to let them risk the stings and sorrows of focal infection or to take forceps against a possible sea of troubles and by extraction end them.”

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 **DR. L. T. HUNT, Lincoln, Nebraska.** We shall be glad to know the name of the sender in every instance.

HEAR DR. HALL.

Hear Dr. Edward M. Hall at Lincoln, May 22.

Dr. S. H. Jelinek, Brainard, is re-equipping his office.

Our slogan: Two hundred Nebraska Dentists in Chicago in August.

Dr. H. S. Murphy and wife of Fremont were in to the auto show held at Omaha.

Dr. M. H. Dunham, Omaha, attended the St. Joseph dental meeting in February.

Dr. Dendinger of Hartington was in Omaha looking up some army and navy information.

Chicago will be seething with dentists August 5-9. Make your hotel reservations now.

Dr. G. W. Burgess of Randolph was in Lincoln in March taking some Masonic work.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Meier, a son, a regular little kaiser hater. Congratulations.

HEAR DR. HALL.

Can dentine and cementum be sterilized by medication—electrolytic or otherwise?

Dr. G. W. Taylor of Ord was in Omaha with a lot of blue prints, plans, etc., for his new office.

Dr. F. J. Robertson, Wilber, was in Omaha recently in consultation with his music publishers

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore enjoyed a few days' visit at Kansas City and Leavenworth, Kans., recently.

Dr. F. O. Robinson, Hartington, has solved the secret of buying shoes for his wife. Ask him how he does it.

Dr. J. J. Jones of Scottsbluff is county director of fixing up the teeth for the soldiers who go in the next draft.

Dr. L. P. Ronne of Lincoln served in the capacity of Venerable Master of the fourth degree of the Scottish Rites.

Mr. Park Billings says fishing at Long Key, Fla., makes one forget that there is such a thing as snow and ice.

Dr. L. E. Guerne, Neola, Iowa, is the proud father of a baby boy. Both mother and baby are getting along fine.

Dr. E. J. Hoopman of Madison was in Lincoln in March doing some Masonic work. He went via Scottish Rite route.

Genial Ed Renner of the Billings lab. has been laid up with abscesses for a short time, but is "coming back" strong.

Congress and Auditorium Hotels—headquarters for the National Dental Association at Chicago, August 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.

HEAR DR. HALL, Lincoln, May 22.

Are you satisfied that the principles of physiology permit the destruction of bacteria without the destruction of tissue cells?

Dr. J. H. Meyers, Grand Island, was a visitor to the auto show and was heard talking to a dealer. It's a sign of spring.

Dr. E. A. Meserve, Kearney, philosophical as usual, and feeling unusually good, visited with several Omaha boys recently.

Dr. Z. A. Norton, Milford, good natured as usual, was in Omaha, but he was more interested in blooded cows than dentistry.

Wanted—Fifty dollars to make net cash of the fund for the Base Hospital, Dental Department, an even thousand. Military Committee.

Elsewhere in this issue we print a complimentary letter from Dr. O. U. King, our National Secretary. Such bouquets help a "whole lot."

Lincoln, May 20, 21, 22, 23.

Chicago, August 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.

HEAR DR. HALL.

Is the X-ray an aid or an alarm?

Dr. H. N. Jones, accompanied by wife and child, came all the way from Kearney to hear Harry Lauder. He said it was well worth it, too.

Dr. Bulger of Wood River drove down to Grand Island this month to buy a pair of shoes that wouldn't pinch. He reports business very good.

Two of Omaha's dentists have earned their captaincy—Dr. W. A. Walzem and Dr. M. H. Anderson, both of the South Side. Congratulations.

At a dental meeting in February at St. Joseph, Dr. C. E. Woodbury of Council Bluffs and Dr. Willis A. Coston of Topeka were on the program.

Dr. R. W. Wintersteen, Holdrege, visited a sick brother in Lincoln in March. Incidentally he did some work on behalf of the Ethics Committee.

Dr. W. C. Bates, Rushville, was called to his former home on account of his father's illness. At last reports Mr. Bates was on the way to recovery.

Dr. J. H. Meyers of Grand Island is confined with a severe case of mumps. The doctor incidentally missed some of the "joys of childhood" when a boy.

Dr. C. H. Blackburn of Mitchell, Nebr., is secretary of the Council of Defense of Scottsbluff county, and finds time to put in several days a month at it.

If a consideration of blood vessels and nerves involved in periapical treatments and operations is a matter of concern to you in your practice you will

HEAR DR. HALL, Lincoln, May 22.

Dr. E. T. Anderson, formerly of Axtell, Nebr., has worked into a nice practice in Scottsbluff, Nebr., and recently returned from Omaha with a new Buick Six.

Dr. Kerns of Scottsbluff and Dr. H. O. Jones of Gering have received their appointments as dental surgeons in the army and are awaiting their call to report for duty.

Dr. Guy Brown recently had a fire in his laboratory caused by the explosion of a Brophy gasoline outfit, and did about \$125.00 damages, which was covered by insurance.

Those men who will appreciate a free, open, frank discussion of the present status of the Root Canal problem will

HEAR DR. HALL.

Dr. Homer Hatfield first sprung a fine \$10,000 home on us, and now it's a new Chandler speedster done in light green. Where did you get the makin's, doctor? Potash or Bethlehem steel?

Dr. Chas. E. Davis, formerly of Oxford, now lieutenant in D. R. C. at Camp Logan, Texas, has been transferred to M. O. T. C. at Ft. Ogelthorps, Ga., where he is attending Oral Surgery School.

Dr. Guy Brown of Gering was appointed on the Medical Advisory Board for Scottsbluff county, Nebraska, and is in Scottsbluff Tuesdays and Friday morning of each week examining applicants.

Dr. R. L. Thomas of Pierce, Nebr., has recently installed a new M. I. P. Victor X-ray machine. This equipment is the largest and most complete manufactured for the dentist today we are told.

A three days' dental meeting on Oral Surgery, Anesthesia and X-ray work was held February 27 to March 1 at Kansas City. Drs. W. L. Shearer and J. M. Prime, both of Omaha, appeared on the program.

Dr. J. R. Moore, secretary and treasurer of the Northwestern District, states that the dues are coming in fine. Send in your check, Doctor, if you haven't. Dr. M. believes in saving stamps, etc., to notify.

Dr. Harvey E. Gladfelter of Central City is a good roads enthusiast. He made his presence known to all who attended the good roads convention not long ago at Lincoln. Go to 'em, Doctor, we need more good roads.

Dr. Rousey of Grand Island leaves the first of April to take up practice at Walthill, Nebr. We regret very much the loss of Dr. Rousey, who has been a willing worker for Grand Island. We all wish him the best of luck.

Mr. Harry J. Bosworth of Chicago gave the members of the Tri-State Dental Society a short talk at the Loyal hotel recently. His theme was more efficiency for the dentist. The subject is one of which Mr. Bosworth is well qualified to speak, and his hearers felt well repaid for the time spent.

The Scottish Rite degrees are very popular with dentists. Dr. A. P. Taylor took the course with Lincoln class in March.

Dr. C. E. Brown, Lincoln, took the Scottish Rite degrees with the March class.

Dr. W. R. Clark of Lincoln took the Scottish Rite degrees to the fourteenth with the March class.

Dr. R. D. Withers of Lincoln is another dentist who is a Scottish Rite enthusiast. He was a member of the March class.

Keep these dates in mind: The Nebraska State at Lincoln, May 20, 21, 22, 23, and the National at Chicago, August 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. "Enuf said."

If you would know whether your technic tends to favor the establishment of a condition of infection in tooth structures and periapical tissues.

HEAR DR. HALL, May 22.

A few of the Grand Island dentists are arranging to give an educational exhibit at the big Red Cross Benefit Fair to be held in Grand Island next month. It is planned to use a model office, educational talks, and literature.

Is there really a modern method of filling root canals?

HEAR DR. HALL, May 22.

Mr. C. H. Sundloff, formerly of Kansas City, is now city representative of the Billings Dental Supply Co. "Charles," as he is familiarly known, needs but little introduction to the Nebraska dentists, having been associated at one time with the Marshall D. S. Co. at Omaha.

Dr. C. T. Hatfield of Fairbury insists that it is no fun to be burned out. In fact the doctor says about all he can find now is the chair and engine, a mouth mirror or so, and the remainder is "where it ain't." The doctor pats his 4 KW. Standard X-ray on the back. He says "she's there."

Every Nebraska dentist who is a member of the State Society is invited to be the guest of the Lincoln Dental Society, April 15. Dr. A. O. Thomas will give a resume of the war surgery work at Northwestern which has been recognized by the government. Dr. Clyde Davis will present radiographs of all the teeth that he has devitalized in the last twenty-eight years. He draws some new and startling as well as hopeful conclusions. Come everybody. Lincoln welcomes you.

The Western District Dental Society held their annual meeting at Crawford, Nebr., February 13. About twenty dentists from that district were present and a good meeting was held. Clinics were given by the following: Dr. Starbuck of Denver, Colo., on radiography and root fillings; Dr. O. R. Ivens of Crawford, Nebr., on root amputation; Dr. Gene Mueller of Omaha (superintendent of Billings laboratory), on difficult crown and bridge and prosthetic cases; Dr. D. E. Tyler of Alliance, Nebr., on jacket crowns.

The next meeting will be held in Scottsbluff next February, and the following officers were elected: Dr. C. H. Blackburn, of Mitchell, Nebr., president; Dr. J. J. Jones of Scottsbluff, Nebr., vice president; Dr. Guy Brown, of Gering, Nebr., secretary; Dr. Jas. M. Kennedy of Alliance, Nebr., treasurer, and Dr. O. R. Ivens of Crawford, Nebr., as delegate to state meeting.

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