A FEW PRINCIPLES OF HARELIP AND CLEFT PALATE PROCEDURE

William M. Shearer, M. D., D. D. S., Omaha, Neb.

When we come to consider surgical procedure in harelip and cleft palate, one most important fact presents itself for serious thought, i. e., the babe does not have a voice in the choosing of the one to serve him. All that is given him is a cry and it is this cry which is placed before our mind. With this thought in mind I shall endeavor to outline a few steps of the work which are necessary to accomplish the best results.

There seems to be a misunderstanding relative to the time for surgical intervention in the different phases of this class of surgery, therefore it is advisable to give the experience of men devoting their time largely to this field. Brophy has outlined this most clearly in his late work and his conclusions are corroborated by many surgeons.

If the babe is presented with cleft palate involving the alveolar border of the maxillary bones this operation should be done first. To accomplish the best results it should be performed from the age of ten days to six or eight weeks. It should be treated in the same manner as an ununited fracture. The lip and soft palate should not be considered until there is bone union. It should be done early because the bones at this time are comparatively easily moved into place and because the nervous mechanism of the babe at this age is so slightly developed that little shock follows.

It is advisable to repeat that the first undertaking should be the closure of the cleft of the bones because herein lies the future success of the subsequent operations. The important steps in this operation are as follows:

The silver wires are gently passed through the malar bone just under the floor of the orbit on either side. In so doing should a tooth follicle be encountered, the surgeon's tactile sense will immediately direct him around this obstacle so that rarely will damage to the tooth follicle occur if care is exercised. These sutures are passed into the bone tissue just about where the mucosa folds upon itself. Lead plates which act as splints are passed along the bubbal. The bones are placed in their normal relationship to each other by the pressure of the thumbs. In this way the silver wire and lead plates act only as supports and are not employed in forcing the maxillary plates together. After this is accomplished it is necessary to dissect the mucosa from the ends of the maxillary bones so that bone tissue will meet bone tissue and will thereby result in bone union.

Normally the upper arch is smaller than the lower arch. If careful observations are taken of a child with cleft of the malar bones, it will be found that the lower arch fits just inside of the upper arch. When this first operation is completed the transformation is as follows: The ridge of the lower arch will be found to just overlap the ridge of the upper arch. In single cleft of the malar bones the nose will be found decidedly to the left or the right, as the case may be, of the median line. This first operation does not only bring the arches into position as above described, but also places the nose into position where, if a line were drawn from the middle of the forehead to the center of the tip of the chin, bisecting the face, it would pass down over the center ridge of the nose. This will be illustrated with lantern slides to follow, also technique.

* Read before the Medical Society of Missouri Valley at Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 21, 1917.
The next operation should be done after the bone union, at any time the condition of the child will justify. This involves the lip and making of the nostril. One of the most important surgical procedures is that necessary in the correction of the harelip. Indeed, so important from the standpoint of cosmetics that I shall not endeavor to outline the steps in this paper, as they will also be definitely outlined with the lantern.

The next operation, which will be upon the soft palate, should not be undertaken earlier than from the fourteenth to the twentieth month, or about the time the child endeavors to speak. The closure of the cleft of the soft palate is by no means the most important part of this procedure. The tissues must be placed in their proper positions so that the normal function will be, insofar as possible, given to the individual period. It must be borne in mind, in this branch of surgery, that unless the speech, etc., are materially benefited, even though the cleft is closed, the operation is largely a failure.

Certain definite steps must be carefully carried out to give the child that flexibility and resiliency of the palate so much needed in speech. A specially designed periosteal elevator should be used to perfectly separate the soft tissue from its periosteal attachment. Great care is necessary in the very initial step of passing through the muscular mucosa down to the periosteum in the process of lifting the soft tissue. It should be freed all along the posterior border of the horizontal plates of the palate bones, extending down over the hamular process on either side. Very rarely is this accomplished in cleft palate procedure. When the horse-hair coaptation sutures are placed, no tension can be allowed, or sloughing will follow and the operation result in failure. It is necessary at this time to place tension sutures of silver wire supported by lead plates to prevent tension on the horse-hair sutures as described above. In this operation, post operative care is most essential. Isolation of bacteria being impossible, it is necessary to carefully irrigate the parts after each feeding, and in some cases a half dozen times a day. When it is impossible to isolate an organism it must be combatted by other means, and in this instance constant irritation is considered one of the laws of success.

In the last two operations, namely, the lip and nostril, and the soft palate, great care should be exercised not to traumatize the tissue more than is necessary, as sloughing, particularly in the soft palate, is apt to follow. Lateral incisions in the soft palate should never be made because in so doing the tensor palati muscle and nerve are very likely to be severed, and once severed do not reunite. Following in the wage of this unfortunate procedure is deafness, owing to the fact that by traction in the act of swallowing and speaking the tensor palati muscle dilates the pharyngeal orifice of the eustachian tube.

Permanent sutures left in the mouth at the completion of any of these three operations should be silver wire, lead plates and horse-hair, for the reason that they do not absorb the saliva which is constantly contaminated with different forms of bacterial life.

It has not been the intention of the writer by any means to outline all of the steps in these three operations—only to give a general summary of the more important steps to insure success in this field of surgery. Nor does he claim any originality here; on the contrary, he cannot consider the subject in hand without acknowledging with sincere gratitude and appreciation his friend and teacher, Dr. Truman W. Brophy, whose achievements in original research, and whose lofty ideals have been a constant inspiration.
Case A, Step No. 1.

Case A, Step No. 2.

Case B, Step No. 1.

Case B, Step No. 2.
Case B, Step No. 3.

Case C, Step No. 1.

Case C, Step No. 2.

Case C, Step No. 3.
Case C, Step No. 4.

Case E, Step No. 1.

Case E, Step No. 2.

Case E, Step No. 3.
Case D, Step No. 1.

Case D, Step No. 2.

Case D, Step No. 3.

Case E, Step No. 4.
HELLO, DOCTOR!

"Coming down to Lincoln to the State Meeting?"

"Oh, I don't know. Who is on the program?"

"A half dozen good men. Hall, Prime, Woodbury—and a lot of good fellows, too."

"Well, I'm going to the National in Chicago."

"Sure you are; that's fine; but you'll learn more real dentistry at your own Society meeting. You'll bump against the fellow who has taken out some of your work, as well as the fellow whose work you have taken out. Why it's worth the trip to look at Nebraska's honor roll of dentists alone, about fifty of them.

"And the exhibits are always interesting, even though you can't have all of the new things in your office. You can get a lot of real information from those obliging chaps in charge of the exhibits.

"Pack your little kit; hang a sign on the front door telling 'em you are off to learn something of value to the future generation."

THE COMMITTEE IN CHARGE.
Nebraska State Dental Society.
Nothing lasts. Why worry?

Faith is believing the dentist when he says, “This isn’t going to hurt.”

How about a picture of all of our living ex-presidents being taken at the May meeting?

Did you ever notice, if you want a thing done, and done right away, ask a busy person to do it?

A young man of twenty-one brought forward to show cause why he had not registered produced his birth certificate, in which he was registered as a girl. It will take a special decision of the courts to make him a man for entering the army. Too bad some of the dentists in Nebraska are still registered with the Preparedness League as a girl. Join the League and become a man.
Mrs. W. A. McHenry, wife of Editor McHenry, has the smallpox. If the Journal is pitted this month, you’ll know where to lay the blame. “Mac” is quarantined and is serving in the capacity of “maid of honor” (which means not only the privilege but the necessity of doing everything around the house). Incidentally he may be up against a real siege—he isn’t exempt from smallpox, nor are his two children. The redeeming feature about it is that “Mac” is not down in spirits. His laugh over the wire was as hearty and clear of tone as when he is on top. That is why everybody loves him.

We believe that the dental profession is made up of as patriotic a class of people as Uncle Sam possesses. The Nebraska Medical society now in session in Omaha is making a drive to secure a very large number of much needed medical men for the United States army. The dental profession now has 1,500 men in service (all that the present law will permit—one to every thousand enlisted men), and 2,500 more commissioned men on the reserve list ready and anxious to serve in Uncle Sam’s Dental Corps. We believe that a count will reveal that the dentists have their quota of men on the various draft boards. In addition to this the dental profession is making every drafted man dentally fit as he is called to the colors. We invite competition.

**DENTAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ARMY**

It is important to keep before the minds of all members the fact that we should devote our energies almost entirely to men qualified for general military service. These are the men who will do the actual fighting and who must live in the trenches, and who, consequently, are more subject to sickness and infection.

There seems to be a misunderstanding on the part of some as to what the dental requirements are to fit a man for “General Military Service.” He must have six opposing incisors and six opposing masticating teeth (either bicuspids or molars). These bicuspids or molars may all be on one side or part on either side, but there must be at least three above and three below, each of which must touch some tooth on the opposing jaw.

The most important thing to do for these men is to rid their mouths of bad roots and infected teeth, or any tooth having a history of periodical abscess.

After the mouths are freed from infection and the gums healed, plates can be made by members of the League who desire to do so, or they can be made after reaching the cantonments, if the officer in charge deems it necessary.

The mouths, however, must first be made free from infection. Then, if possible, any large cavities in the remaining teeth should be filled and the teeth cleaned.

The lack of the minimum number of teeth (six and six) does not excuse any man from military service, but only from “General Military Service.”

The man who has less teeth than the minimum required for general military service can be accepted (if otherwise fit) for limited military service, even if he has no teeth.

These men for limited military service will cook food, drive wagons and auto trucks, carry supplies, work in factories, shops or storehouses, etc.
What's in a Name? Some one objects to my name because it smacks of German. I'm very, very sorry, for I would not like to change it. I adopted this non-de-plume long before the war was thought of, so I think I am entitled to use it. If on the other hand, there should appear in some of my articles any thought of pro-German talk, then not only my name, but my liberty and all that I possess should be taken from me, but don't worry. I think I can damn the Kaiser just as much as my friend Chas. J. Emerson or any other good Christian, but who is this Chas. J. Emerson that raises objections to my name? He is not to be found in the roster of dentists. What's in a name any way? I grant that Von Blitzen is quite German, but that's no sign that the man that adopted it is German or even pro-German. If a man's name was indicative of his profession or belief, Brother Barber would be making close shaves and selling hair tonic. Editor Grubb would be selling hash, doughnuts and hot coffee, and right away we would think, of course, that it would be proper for Billy Shearer to be taking the fleece from innocent lambs. Brother Merchant would be dealing in sox, suspenders and cheap jewelry. And how unfortunate that some of our advertisers couldn't have been born with a name like "Wonder." You can readily see the many different ways it could be put to. "So what's in name?" Why I know a man by the name of Gotobed. Supposing Brother Whitcomb had to go through life with a name like that tacked on to him. "Gotobed"—well, that's the last thing he thinks of at night.

Then there's a man living in Lincoln called Frank Beetum. Works for Woods Brothers and the story goes that he finally did beat 'em, but in a legitimate way.

We have in our State Society, a Wildman, perfectly tame and docile at home, but when he gets up to talk at our conventions they do say that at times he is everything that his name implies. So it goes.

Our Next Meeting.—Any dentist in the State of Nebraska that does not attend, should be shot. Of course, we will accept any legitimate excuse, but when you look over the program and see the good things in store, why you just can't stay away, providing you are progressive and want to give to your patients the best that is going. There's the subject of "tooth form" so important and so few that give it any attention. The indirect method of making inlays—get that boys, you are a back number if you don't know how to do it. Hall and Campbell will be there and you know what they are teaching—cavity preparation and root canal work. Why fellows, it's just amazing the good things that will be dished up to you.

Noted Men Coming.—I understand from good authority that Baird, the Vice-President, has a new story to tell. Also a new in-
vention which will interest the bald-headed members. J. Enis Wait will have on exhibit, a live sized photo of a $50.00 check, which he received for pulling one tooth. Dr. C. E. Cross of Red Cloud, will tell the boys that Rheim, Best, Grove, Hartzell, Webster and a few other shining lights in root canal juggling are off of their base, that a root filled with Oxapara will be as free from trouble and pain as an asbestos cat would be in—well that place where the majority of good people are wishing the Kaiser was right now.

Dr. Mueller of the Billings Laboratory, will show samples that will make your eyes bulge out. They are called “money makers” and believe me, they do the business. “Why,” said Dr. Mueller in a recent interview, “I have one customer that is deaf and dumb and he increased his practice just double last year by using my full set of “money makers.”

Dr. Cox, the silver haired gentleman from South Omaha, will give a talk to the Dental Nurses on “A Few Reasons Why Married Men are Unhappy.”

Will some good weather prophet be kind enough to inform our President, Dr. Allen, the kind of a wardrobe that would be best suited for the occasion? When it comes to weather conditions, Dr. Allen is a dampoor guesser. One year he wore a straw hat when a fur coat would have been more suitable. The following year he had on white shoes and was cussing himself at the time because he didn’t wear rubber boots.

Any one wishing to play golf will please consult with Dr. J. S. Pires or Dr. Ladd.

Animal Husbandry.—For the benefit of those that are in search of pleasure and profit from the fat of the land, there will be short talks every afternoon at the State Farm on “Hog Culture,” “Cow Culture,” “Chicken Culture” and “Rabbit Culture.”

Our President.—The man who is to preside at our next meeting, Dr. S. A. Allen, is a very busy man these days. He has personal charge of 90 counties in placing free dental work to the drafted men. This alone means a tremendous amount of correspondence—troubles arise among the different county directors that has to be settled; questions galore and the mailing of cards means an endless amount of work. Dr. Allen said “Of my several duties, I place this work first for this reason: ‘Our brave soldiers boys must be taken care of.’” As you know, Dr. Allen is Secretary of the State Board of Dental Secretaries, which, with our present number of outlaws that have to be looked after, correspondence as to the future meeting of the Board and the coming examinations takes no small amount of his time. Then our next annual meeting has to have its share of attention that is necessary from the President. Naturally you would say, how does he do it all and still find time to practice dentistry? Well, I’ll tell you, brother dentists, that I am not going to give Dr. Allen all the credit, for Mrs. Allen must have some of it for in every sense of the word she is a real help mate,
NEBRASKA DENTAL NURSES SOCIETY

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

of the

NEBRASKA DENTAL NURSES SOCIETY

To be held at Lincoln

Tuesday and Wednesday, May 21, 22, 1918

PROGRAM

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 21ST AT

Lecture Room of Lincoln Dental College

1:30 P. M.

President’s Address....................... Miss Elizabeth Mayo

2:00 P. M.

Lecture............................. Dr. E. A. Meservey, Kearney, Nebr.

Subject—"The Duties of a Dental Nurse"

3:00 P. M.

Lecture............................. Dr. H. H. Waite, Lincoln, Nebr.

Subject—"Sterilization of Hands and Instruments"

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 21ST AT

Lincoln Hotel

6:30 P. M.

Dinner for all Members

Secretary-Treasurer’s Report

Business Meeting

Election of Officers

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 22ND AT

Lecture Room of Lincoln Dental College

9:00 A. M.

Lecture............................. Dr. W. Clyde Davis, Lincoln, Nebr.

Subject—"The Importance of Your Calling"

10 A. M.

Lecture............................. Dr. J. I. Davis, Lincoln, Nebr.

Subject—"Investing and Casting of Inlays"

Membership Fee..............$1.00

Annual Dues...............$1.00

All Dental Nurses who are not members of the Society, by paying $1.00 are heartily invited to attend all Lectures.

We hope for a large attendance at our first meeting.

ELIZABETH MAYO

Pres.

LILY GILLESPIE

Vice-Pres.

KATHERINE GARTMAN

Sec’y-Treas.
J. F. Shane of Blairstown, Iowa, paid Drs. Schwartz & Hunt of Lincoln a visit recently and took home some ideas with him. Dr. Shane is one of Iowa's most progressive young men.

The Nebraska State Board of Dental Examiners will conduct an examination in Lincoln, June 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Dr. G. B. Baird of Fremont renewed his acquaintance with Lincoln dentists a few days ago.

Dr. M. H. Dunham, Omaha, stopped off in Lincoln on his way home to confer with Dr. E. X. Crowley, both members of the Executive Committee, relative to final details for our State Meeting, Lincoln, May 20, 21, 22, 23.

Dr. M. H. Dunham, Omaha, stopped off in Lincoln on his way home to confer with Dr. E. X. Crowley, both members of the Executive Committee, relative to final details for our State Meeting, Lincoln, May 20, 21, 22, 23.

Dr. M. H. Dunham, Omaha, stopped off in Lincoln on his way home to confer with Dr. E. X. Crowley, both members of the Executive Committee, relative to final details for our State Meeting, Lincoln, May 20, 21, 22, 23.

Expect to put in full time at the State Meeting—Monday, May 20, 21, 22, 23.

Something doing the first day—something doing every day.

There are three dentists that are supposed to stand out in a class by themselves as dental radiographers. They are Rhein of New York, Rapier of Indianapolis, and Brownlee of Denver. Dr. Brownlee will be with us at our State Meeting.


Lincoln Dental Society is growing. Secretary Grubb reports that not one dentists failed to get under the wire by May 1. One who had dropped his membership for 1917 was reinstated upon payment of all arrearages and 1918 dues. Fifteen new members have been added.

It is very gratifying to the dental profession to learn that the Taggart Process Patents suit has been won by the Dentists' Mutual Protective Alliance in the Chicago district of the federal court. The case will probably be carried to the court of appeals. But the Alliance feels perfectly confident that he can not win there. They proved conclusively that an Iowa dentist demonstrated the use of a wax pattern for the cast of gold inlay prior to the date of the Taggart patents.

When to do free work for the members of the draft army. Do not do it for every man who has been placed in Class 1. Wait to see whether he has passed the physical examination. He may be rejected for a heart lesion or other cause. Lincoln dentists have agreed only and are following that plan to take care of the men just after they have received their call to the colors and before their departure for their respective camps. Read elsewhere the article on Dental Requirements for the Army.

Dr. Farrington of Lincoln, after concluding that Uncle Sam had all the dentists he needed, started to clean house and redecorate. When everything was about ready for the doctor to return to work again, he was called into active service and detailed to Ft. Oglethorpe for special work in war surgery. So it goes. If you want to know who is boss just start something.

Dr. J. R. Oastler of Howells is planning to spend the summer in the state of Washington with his brother.

Dr. L. C. Blackman of Lead, So. Dak., is to marry Miss Alice Hoagland of Newman Grove.

Dr. E. A. Doyle of Greeley is classified in 1A and expects to be called soon.

Dr. Lamb of Albion is staunchly patriotic. He answers the kaiser by becoming the father of twins.

Dr. "Ed" Siebert, Friend, stopped in Lincoln long enough to pay his Dental Society dues. He handed his check to an assistant who met him at the door and was gone before Secretary Grubb could get a look at his smiling face. Why the hurry, "Ed"?
Dr. Hartwig of Kenesaw is now chief of the fire department.
Dr. J. G. Doane of Petersburg, Nebraska (Petrograd), went by the draft route April 27.
Dr. E. X. Crowley of Lincoln, who has been associated with Dr. Ladd for several years, is now equipping and decorating new offices in the Security Mutual building.

Dr. M. E. Vance, Lincoln, plans to spent the week of May 6, 7, 8 and 9 at the Iowa State Meeting at Des Moines.

Drs. Webster and Boehler of the Nebraska University Base Hospital No. 49 are at Fort Dodge for their military training. The unit will go to France about June 1.

Dr. A. J. Kubitschek, Atkinson, visited with the Study Club members at Stanton.

Dr. P. W. Higgins, who recently sold out at Atkinson, is now located at Cheyenne with Dr. Devine.

Dr. L. A. Donahue of Kimball talk all one needs to do is to go out to western Nebraska and grab the good things out of the air. It seems to get into those western boys' blood.

V. K. Lowe, representative of the Billings Dental Supply Co., is a professional Hooverizer. He is not only willing to lose 32 pounds in weight, but he started a war garden in Grand Island. Then to help out Mr. McAdoo he bought a flivver, with shock absorbers. Just when he finds time to represent his firm is a daily puzzle.

The rarest commodity in the world. A good office girl.

Dr. W. A. Housel, Ansley, and son were visitors in Omaha recently.

Dr. Horace Warren, Missouri Valley, Iowa, but well known to a large number of Nebraska dentists, was the victim of an auto accident recently. An X-ray examination did not reveal any serious fractures. Horace talked 'em out of it.

"I was only going ten miles per hour," said Gene Mueller, of the Billings laboratory, when his car was rammed by a perfectly new Dodge sedan. Moral is, drive fast.

Drs. Sherraden, Conner and McMullen attended the Kansas State Meeting at Topeka, driving from Omaha.

Dr. C. A. Marshall, Plattsmouth, had the misfortune to meet with an auto accident recently. At this writing he is back again on the job, none the worse for the misfortune.

Dr. M. A. Miller, Wahoo, stopped off in between trains in Omaha after a visit to one of his several farms in Minnesota.

Dr. H. E. Newton, Omaha, entertained burglars unawares in his home recently. Result, doc is looking for about $600 worth of perfectly good silverware.

Dr. F. C. Hinman of Lincoln is breaking in a new automobile and a new X-ray machine. He seems to be quite an exception to that old rule about teaching an old dog new tricks. Hurrah!

Dr. C. A. Hawley, formerly of Bladen, is now located at West Point, where he purchased the practice of Dr. Tighe.

Say, while you are talking about root-canal work, it might be suggested that our old friend Dr. J. G. Neff of Sterling, Nebr., could show up some good tricks. If anybody has been more particular as to that work for years, trot him out— you fellows.

Dr. F. A. Motis of Tobias is a busy boy these days. He is putting on improvements and cultivating (with hired help) 320 acres of wheat in Montana; is the local agent for a popular make of automobile; and is practicing dentistry every day—leave alone being the head of a family of three healthy boys. But he seems to be equal to it—and having the time of his life.

Dr. R. S. Cutler of Western is moving into a new modern office—built by and occupied by him jointly with the local physician. It's going to be nifty and is another case of making a city dentist of a small town man. A fine office and good fees are two things that a man seldom refuses to live up to.

Dr. W. F. Roseman of Fremont, whom we mentioned in last month's Journal, passed away at the National Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kansas. He was prominent in G. A. R. Circles and had rendered many years of useful service in the profession, beginning practice in the state in 1867. We are sorry to hear of Dr. Roseman's death.
Dr. G. H. Hunt spent the first Sunday in May visiting his mother at Wilsonville.

Dr. C. C. Dooley, Wahoo, is the champion dentists globe trotter. All you have to do is to say, come on and drive my new car home, and he's on the way. And he has a lot of fun doing it.

Why is it that every correspondent writes us to the effect that everybody is getting their practice lined up so that they can attend the State Meeting? Say, "Bo," if you haven't done likewise, look at the program to be found elsewhere in this Journal and you'll have reason to do the same.

Most everybody is looking forward to a good live time at Lincoln, May 20, 21, 22, 23. If you are not it's just because you won't be there. That's all.

Dr. Mabel Dixon of Hastings and a party from the Y. W. C. A. spent the first Sunday in May visiting at Camp Funston.

Dr. F. G. Babcock of Hastings has retired from active practice. He has worked many years and now feels that he deserves a rest.

Dr. Hooper of Hastings "Hooerizes." His Grant car gets a coat or two of paint and locks fine. Why buy a new car these days, asks the doctor.

Dr. J. H. Bond of Fairbury made a hurried trip to Omaha recently.

Dr. Milton H. Anderson, South Omaha, who was recently promoted to captain in the Dental Reserve Corps, and stationed at Camp Logan, Texas, has resigned on account of a nervous breakdown.

The Journal's correspondent has been up against it for news of late, as no one seems to be doing anything or going anywhere; the time is getting near to the state meeting and everyone is behaving and saving his money to celebrate at Lincoln. After this event we will probably have some stories to tell about some of the fellows. This from one of our correspondents.

Dr. Roy P. Johnson, associated with Dr. Phelps of Holdrege, was one of the last quota to leave for service, going to Fort Logan, Colo.

Any one interested will please take notice that Dr. Wintersteen and Belville of Holdrege are agriculturists of the first magnitude. Each is raising the finest war garden about the county, and if you never saw a real dentist doing real manual labor, you should notice especially Dr. Wintersteen when he gets real mad hoeing spuds.

Dr. O. R. Ivens of Crawford recently purchased the controlling interest in the First National Bank of Crawford. Besides running a 5,000-acre ranch stocked with white faced cattle, and telling the electric light plant where to head in, finds time to play golf mornings and evenings.

Dr. D. W. Sumner of Valentine recently marketed two loads of thoroughbred Duroc Jersey hogs. The doctor's farm is completely equipped with electricity, even to grinding his own corn and alfalfa.

Dr. J. M. Kennedy of Alliance counts that day lost that he does not turn a real estate deal that nets him several hundred dollars.

Dr. J. P. Maxfield of Alliance is to be numbered among the potash kings. The doctor, besides owning a valuable fruit farm in Idaho, finds time to indulge in the luxury of a Stutz racing automobile.

Dr. Guy Brown of Gering recently purchased a new modern home and expects to move into the same in a few days.

Dr. Jones of Kearney was recently in Scottsbluff looking over the prospects of the Goshen Hole, in view of buying a place.

Dr. C. G. Steen of Scottsbluff, Neb., recently made a business trip to Omaha.

Dr. W. B. Smith of Fairbury is in a hospital at St. Joseph. The doctor has been on sick list for three weeks and went to St. Joseph about a week ago, seeking relief. At present the report is that an early recovery is expected.

The Southeastern shows up with paid up dues of all members except two. And we also have two men in army corps from our district. Wouldn't it be fine if every district could say as much? Congratulations, Southeastern.

Any of his friends who have talked with Dr. E. A. Litchfield, Humboldt, recently and accidentally mentioned automobile, can assure you the doctor had a bad case of "Auto-intoxication." Well the doctor bought a new Dodge touring car the other day. Mrs. Litchfield says the doctor acts just like a kid with a new toy over it, only worse.

One Fairbury dentist writes, "We expect to be in Lincoln in May and in Chicago in August." How are you lining up?
Our Nebrask

Judge Fredrick Shepherd, Patriotic Address

Major G. E. Meyers, War Surgery

Dr. Charles Woodbury, “Black” Philosophy

Dr. Dayton D. Campbell, Dentures, etc.

Dr. W. A. Coston, Indirect Methods of Inlays, etc.

CAN YOU LOOK W

LINCOLN
State Meeting

'S COMING!


Dr. Clyde Davis, Some Root Fillings and Other Radiographic Research

Dr. J. C. Brownlee, Radiography

Dr. E. M. Hall, Root Canal Surgery

BEAT IT?

MAY 20, 21, 22, 23
The Grand Island Red Cross chapter put on a six-day fair the first week in April, which netted about $12,000. The Grand Island Dental Association donated a booth where model work, musical cases, literature, charts, etc., were placed on exhibit. This booth was taken care of by the dental assistants of the various dentists. The exhibit was considered a great success and aroused much interest and favorable comment. This was a new venture and it has proven that the effort was well worth while. The matter of education takes up a great field, but this is one of the best and most effective ways. We want to congratulate the Grand Island men for putting forth this effort.

Dr. J. H. Graham of Omaha, who is now superintendent at Creighton Dental College, is contemplating taking the California State Board examination. Dr. Crandall says he needs a good prosthetic man out on the Pacific coast with him.

Dr. Sherradan of Omaha, is at the present time making a trip to Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. Meldrum of Nebraska City, was last seen in Lincoln placing his name to a check in payment for an Oakland car.

Dr. Fred Griess is now driving a new Hudson speedster.

Dr. J. H. Graham of Lincoln now flashes by in a brand new “Buick Six.”

Dr. W. Hullenthal of Beemer, says that he can’t find anything to do except double last year’s business. Hard luck.

Dr. Homer Hatfield of Grand Island, represents the dentists in the Grand Island home guards. Doctor makes some sergeant.

The Northwest district dues are coming in in good shape, but some have yet to get busy.

The Northwestern district regrets and mourns the loss of their premier dentist. A leader in our state as well as other states. We always took pride in saying Dr. Farrel belongs to the Northwestern district.

Dr. E. A. Graf has information to the effect that he is on the list for the course of training at Ft. Oglethorpe.

Dr. D. L. Redfern, Lincoln, couldn’t remain content with a Studebaker. He now drives a Nash.

Dr. A. L. Rousey, formerly of Grand Island, now of Walthill, was in Lincoln recently renewing his acquaintance with friends—dental and otherwise.

Dr. F. F. Whitcomb, Omaha, is on a committee for “Save the Baby” campaign. The work is of national scope and will consist in weighing and measuring 15,000 infants for the child welfare division of the state council of defense.

Drs. Webster & Boehler, who go with the University of Nebraska Base Hospital have been assigned to Fort Dodge, Iowa, for their military training.

Dr. M. O. Johnson, Crete, is planning to spend a couple of months in southern California. This will give the doctor a much needed rest.

Query: “Would a man without any front teeth be called a back-biter?”

Dr. R. R. Ralston of Long Pine, who has ambitions to be a driver “Over There,” is getting in practice driving a new Ford. Incidentally finding out how small a vocabulary he had on certain words, but he is showing signs of improvement.

Dr. H. A. Larson, Creighton, ’17, has taken over the practice of Dr. W. Grantham at Chadron. Dr. Grantham going to farm.

Dr. R. C. Leach of Neligh, who is interested in some oil wells in Wyoming, was seen in Lusk. He thinks a lot of the place, especially the oil.

Dr. J. M. Jessen of Ainsworth spends his spare time raising Herefords.

Old Man La Grippe has had a good many fellows on the mat during the past few weeks. Dr. D. A. Finch, Grand Island; W. A. Thomas, Columbus; F. O’Connell, Norfolk; O. R. Stanfield, Tekamah, are among those who have a battle with this sickness.

Dr. L. R. Bower of Chadron attended the Colorado state meeting at Denver and came home with an Apperson Six.

Dr. T. J. Todd of Kearney reports his golf eye in fine form and modestly challenges the world. Time and place during the state meeting in Lincoln, May 20th to 23d.
Dr. D. J. Tighe has sold his practice at West Point to Dr. C. A. Hawley.

Dr. L. J. C. Reichard of Stuart hibernates in Florida each year. Some life!

Dr. W. B. Scace is now associated with Dr. F. O’Connell at Norfolk.

Dr. B. J. Krajcick of Scribner, has been making trips to Lincoln very regularly. Why?

Dr. C. L. Boles of Scribner has moved to Iowa and in the future will prepare the soil instead of cavities.

Dr. D. F. Bradshaw of Bayard, attended the Colorado state meeting.

Dr. A. E. Wood of Cozad is the leader of the band in that town during his spare moments.

Politics are a queer thing. Dr. F. J. Wilkie of Ravenna was recently defeated for mayor.

In looking over the list of names for the Omaha Charter Commission, we see a familiar one. Dr. P. T. Barber.

Dr. G. W. Henton of Wakefield was in Omaha.

Dr. G. H. Ball, University Place, lost several days fighting la grippe.

Drs. Beeson & Pellers of Beatrice, drove to Lincoln April 16th for the Lincoln dental meeting.

Dr. Amos Wait, Superior, was in Lincoln April 15th for the Lincoln dental meeting. It is to be regretted that local conditions made it necessary to change the date to the 16th, too late to give ample notification.

Dr. E. A. Thomas of Hastings (we apologize for using the initials A. O. in previous notices) gave a very interesting review of War Surgery before the Lincoln Dental Society, April 16. One point is of especial interest—that by far the major portion of the plastic surgery for OUR BOYS that are wounded in France will be done in the U. S. A. rather than in France. There men will be our opportunity. Will we be ready to meet it?

Dr. M. E. Vance spent a week in Chicago the last of March attending a meeting where President Logan and his committees were lining up the final details of the big Chicago meeting in August.

Dr. Blair of Fairbury, was called to Wyoming in March, on account of sickness of his mother. She passed away. The body was brought to Fairbury for burial. The Journal offers the sympathy of its readers to Dr. Blair.

Dr. Clyde Davis gave a review of his root canal work for the last twenty-eight years before the Lincoln Dental Society. Also, his research work in root filling materials and radiography. “Enuf” said. You’ll get a chance to hear him at the state meeting.

Dr. Warren of Missouri Valley met with an accident April 16 and was unable to attend the Omaha Dental meeting, before which he was to read a paper.

The Grand Island Dental Association wishes to express a most hearty thanks to the Billings Dental Supply Co. for the great help afforded in fixing up their Red Cross exhibit.

Dr. James, a classmate of Dr. Clyde Davis in school years ago, after retiring from practice for a few years, feels the yearning again for things dental, and is now associating himself with Dr. Davis, demonstrating in Lincoln Dental College clinic. Dr. James has a reputation of being a good dentist and likes the boys, so the new arrangement should be a good one.

Dr. Carl Miller, who was until called to the service of the country, in the First National Bank building has been appointed anaesthetist for the dental corps of the Great Lakes naval station.

Oklahoma versus Nebraska. Oklahoma has more dentists, by four, who are members of the Preparedness League of American Dentists, than are found in the League’s latest list of registered dentists in that state. Oklahoma is noted for her efficiency in organization. Get busy, Nebraska men.

Drs. Baird & Prime, and Drs. Dunham & Trimble have been appointed as clinicians to represent Nebraska at the National Association at Chicago in August. Each pair will give a table clinic, the first on the Technic of Gold Foil Filling and the latter on Anchored Dentures.

Dr. A. L. Shellhorn, associated with Dr. Ladd a number of years ago, and now of Los Angeles, announces his removal to the Story building.
Dr. Chas. Yungblut of Lincoln is made up of the right sort of patriotism. When asked if he spoke German, he replied, "I can, but I don't like to." However we do not think that it is necessary for one to apologize for a German name or his German tongue. His attitude and support of the U. S. A. are what count. Dr. Yungblut meets the requirements.

Mrs. Elizabeth Eissler King, who has been assisting Drs. Vance, Grubb and Albrecht for the last two and a half years, has resigned to give her full attention to household duties. It is up to these gentlemen to train another assistant. They will be fortunate if they find one as alert, as efficient, and as susceptible to suggestions.

Say, does anybody want an argument? If so, make the assertion to Dean Clyde Davis that you can X-ray a choro-percha root canal filling. You'll get it. He can prove this theorem by not showing you a darn thing.

We note in the May number of the "American Magazine" (and it is full of other good stuff, too) an article on "How I Found Health in the Dentist's Chair—What the X-ray Recorded in My Mouth." Guess Dr. Fred Webster was right when he said that his X-ray outfit was as much a part of his office equipment as his dental chair, and that his regular fees covered its necessary use. The day is fast going by when a dentist can safely excuse his lack of the X-ray outfit, except by the lack of electricity in town—and send the patient elsewhere for such service, at considerable extra cost to them. The discriminating public is getting wise—and they all have automobiles.

We will bet that our young friend Dr. S. R. Dalby of Lincoln has invested as much in Liberty Bonds as any dentist who practices dentistry for a living (Come on now, you fellows, and get a surprise.

Dr. T. J. Denning, who has been at Lincoln Dental College for two years, goes to Kansas City to take charge of clinic of Kansas City Dental College. His many friends made in Lincoln wish him continued success—as he certainly impressed everybody by his fine character and work while there.

Dr. A. C. Nelson of Lincoln put in an X-ray outfit and wonders how he put it off so long. He sure knew how to use it with very little showing how.

Say, you fellows, you want to see Henry Shannon's new office in the Security Mutual building. He sure is all dolled up with new Ritter unit, chair, cabinet, etc., and the office decorated, etc., to carry out the black and white effect. Come around. No one ever went away after a visit with him feeling that they had wasted their time anyway.

The Alliance papers state that if Dr. W. J. Mahaffey ever wants to change his profession that he certainly will make good as an actor. He recently took the leading part in a minstrel show put on by the Good Roads Fair.

If there is a patriotic man in Nebraska, that man is Dr. S. A. Allen of Loup City. Our state is full of patriotic men. If there is a man more patriotic, we'd like an introduction. Few men know the energy and time (gratis) Dr. Allen is putting into war work.

The Lincoln Medical Society invited the Lincoln Dental Society to a joint meeting. The subject of the evening was a symposium on "Focal Infection." Dr. Clyde Davis spoke from a dentist's viewpoint, Dr. H. H. Waite from a bacteriologist's viewpoint, and Dr. J. M. Mayhew from the viewpoint of the physician. It was a great opportunity for the two professions to get together. Much good was accompanied.

WANT ADS

Wanted—Experienced office girl who can do laboratory work. Write Becson & Fellers, Beatrice, Nebr.