Evan Gilchrist told about the laboratory work and mentioned especially the water analysis.

J. J. Galligan gave a short talk on the Emergency Hospital and its management.

The last paper was by City Health Commissioner Wil- lard Christopherson, who discussed the organization, and the cost of maintaining the City Health Department. He told in detail about chlorinization of the water, and urged the society to back the department and to allay the idea prevalent among the laity that the chlorine is injurious to the health of the people. General discussion followed by F. S. Scott, L. J. Paul, A. A. Kerr, W. F. Beer, Earl Van Cott, C. M. Benedict, C. L. Shields, and S. H. Allen. Major S. C. Gurney, United States Army, mentioned his experience with chlorinization in the Philippines, and stated that he never observed a case of diarrhea due to chlorine.

President John Z. Brown announced the appointment of W. F. Beer on the Committee on Necrology.

Fred Stauffer reported the progress for the building committee.

Willard Christopherson announced that the Emergency Hospital and City Health laboratories were open for inspection, and he passed around cigars.

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**Nevada State Medical Association**

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**News Items from Nevada State Medical Association**—The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners met at Carson City, November 2 and 3, and held an examination of the following three medical doctors:


E. L. Creveling, formerly of Jersey City, New Jersey.

H. C. Hill, formerly of Streator, Illinois.

The staff meeting of St. Mary’s Hospital, Reno, is held on the second Monday of each month.

The Washoe County Medical Society meeting is held in the Chamber of Commerce at Reno on the second Tuesday of each month. Visiting doctors are welcome.

Charles W. Blake, formerly of Tonopah and later of New York City, is located in the Washoe County Bank Building, Reno.

M. L. Herzig is in the Baroni Building, Reno.

E. L. Creveling is located at 17 North Virginia Street, Reno.

H. C. Hill is located in the Fordonia Building, Reno.

C. E. Piersall is attending the annual conference of the secretaries of the Constituent State Medical Associations in Chicago.

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Washoe County Medical Society (reported by Henry Albert, secretary) — October 13, 1925 — A. R. DaCosta moved that we adopt the American Medical Association auto emblem as our official emblem. Carried.

J. L. Robinson demonstrated an electrical appliance for applying moist or dry heat to the neck, eye, etc.; also an appliance to heat paraffin which is sprayed on burned surfaces.

C. E. Piersall read a paper on galvanic therapy.

J. E. Pickard and A. R. DaCosta discussed and told interesting experiences with the galvanic current.

The meeting adjourned.

November 12, at the Y. M. C. A. building, President W. H. Van Cott in the chair.

Minutes—The minutes of the previous meeting of October 13, were read and approved.

Business—President Muller presented a request from Mrs. S. H. Wheeler, secretary of the Child Welfare Division of the State Board of Health, that she be privileged to call on members of the society to occasionally address the nurses employed by that organization. By vote, a majority signified their willingness to address the nurses.

An application from Dr. Herzig to join this society was presented and referred to the Board of Censors.

Program—Dr. G. L. Servoss presented a paper on “Diabetes and Common Sense.” He emphasized especially the importance of making a determination of the dietary requirements of the individual before giving insight. The paper was discussed by Drs. Albert and Pickard.

Dr. A. B. De Chene gave a report of the symptoms which she personally experienced while affected by the recent epidemic ailment attributed to the water supply.

The source of the toxic material which caused the recent water-borne epidemic of enteritis was discussed by Dr. Albert.

Attendance—Members: Albert, Blake, Caples, Da Costa, De Chene, Dalby, Fuller, Lehners, Muller, Morrison, Pickard, Piersall, Richardson, and Servoss.

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**M. O. R. C.**


Headquarters, Ninth Corps Area, has just issued orders assigning 222 Medical Reserve Corps units and appropriate duties therein. This seems like a large number of doctors, but it is only one-sixth of the medical personnel that these same units require, and only one-tenth of the medical personnel required from the Ninth Corps Area under the National Defense Act. With these assignments, some of these units are taking on the appearance of organization. The general policy, in respect to such assignments, is to give a certain policy preference to units having priority of mobilization in the general defense plan.

The Surgeon, Ninth Corps Area, informs that mobilization plans in blank, have been completed by him and are in readiness to send out to the Commanding Officers of Medical Reserve Corps units as they accomplish a satisfactory organization for administrative purposes. The Commanding Officer merely has to enter certain data in spaces left blank for the purpose, and the document becomes a complete guide to prompt mobilization.

For consideration in connection with the mobilization plan thus completed, the Surgeon, Ninth Corps Area, has already prepared, and will send out to Commanding Officers, a reminder list showing each administrative step which should be taken, in its proper sequence, during the period of mobilization.

If such guides had been available during medical mobilization during the late war, a vast amount of inefficiency and delay would have been averted. Their availability now is merely an expression of one way by which the National Defense Act is operating in the prevention of similar difficulties in any future emergency.

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To facilitate the development of the Medical Reserve Corps at large, and to give general aid in respect to the organization of its hospitals and other medical units, certain Reserve Medical Officers have been designated to act as local representatives of the Surgeon, Ninth Corps Area, within their respective geographical limits. These officers are supported by committees, of which they are chairmen. One other Reserve Medical Officer and the regular army Surgeon at the adjacent military post compose the remainder of each such committee.

These committees are:

For San Francisco and Northern California—Colonel George Franklin Shiel, Medical Reserve, 68 Post street, San Francisco, chairman; Major Sam F. Parker, M. C., Fort Masonfield Scott.

For Los Angeles and Southern California—Colonel Charles W. Decker, Medical Reserve, 2417 W. Twenty-third street, Los Angeles, Calif., chairman; Major Val. C. Miltenger, M. C., Fort MacArthur.

These officers are prepared to assist the Medical Reserve Corps movement in every possible way. Members of the profession desiring commissions in the
Medical Reserve Corps would do well to consult them. Their advice and aid is available to officers already commissioned in the medical corps and to the officers already commissioned in the United States for the best essay on "The means and policies which will best enable this association to increase its membership and accomplish its patriotic objects as stated in its constitution." The competition was open to all medical officers of the Regular Army, Navy, National Guard, Organized Reserves, and Public Health Service.

The Association of Military Surgeons is an organization chartered by Act of Congress of the United States, and has a large membership in the military medical services, and publishes a monthly journal—the "Military Surgeon"—which is a chronicle of current medico-military affairs and progress. Being of a national character, its annual meetings are habitually attended by medical officers of many foreign military and naval services, sent there as representatives of their respective governments. The winning of its annual prize brings much professional distinction to the successful essayist.

Evacuation Hospital No. 90, San Diego, Colonel Alfred E. Banks, Medical Reserve, commanding, is taking a leading position in interpreting the spirit of M. O. R. C. Service, and has now nearly completed its enrollment of officers and members of Military Surgeons of the United States, in readiness for emergency. Colonel Banks and the officers under him have gone ahead with the development of their unit in a very efficient way, and are now giving attention to the enrollment of their Reserve Nurse Corps personnel. Evacuation Hospital No. 90 made an excellent showing in the Preparedness Day Parade. The officers of this unit now hold dinner conferences once a month for professional information, as well as for getting together of the staff. At the dinner conference held on October 21, Lieutenant-Colonel Maynard C. Harding, Medical Reserve, and Major Clair L. Stealy, Medical Reserve, presented a formal plan for peacetime training within the unit. Lieutenant-Colonel C. Pennek Baxter, Medical Reserve, also delivered a message on medical administration pertaining to army hospital units. This was the first of a series of similar addresses for the benefit of the staff of Evacuation Hospital No. 90. The transactions at these meetings of the staff of Evacuation Hospital No. 90 regularly appear in the Bulletin of the San Diego County Medical Society.

The Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement, at its first meeting in September, went on record as being in favor of sponsoring the Reserve Medical Units assigned to Sacramento County. These units include Hospital Trains Nos. 44 and 71, and Medical Laboratories Nos. 1 and 4 (both aviation). It also directed its secretary to prepare a questionnaire to determine the possibility of providing the required medical personnel from within its own membership.

Colonel S. C. Baldwin, Medical Reserve, Salt Lake City, Utah, has been designated as liaison officer for Medical Reserve Corps affairs in the States of Utah and Nevada. Colonel Baldwin has been very active and successful in organizing Reserve Corps affairs, particularly in organizing General Hospital No. 61, which has the Latter Day Saints Hospital of Salt Lake City as its parent institution.

At the regular meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society, September 29, it was reported by the chairman that the society endorse the Medical Reserve units allocated to that county for home station, and that a committee be appointed to determine the best ways for the promotion of their interests. The units concerned are General Hospital No. 61, Station Hospital No. 136, Hospital Train No. 1, and Veterinary General Hospital No. 54.

While the Reserve Corps of the Medical Department of the Ninth Corps Area is still far short of medical officers, the dental branch has not only filled all its vacancies in the Reserve Corps, but contributed a survey of nearly 50 per cent beyond the requirements of the Ninth Corps Area plans.

The Medical Administrative and Sanitary Reserve Corps have likewise filled their quota. Most of the quartermasters and commissary officers already commissioned in Reserve Corps hospitals have already been obtained, and the few vacancies remaining will shortly be filled.

Only the medical profession has failed to measure up to its responsibilities. The personnel of Medical Reserve Corps, and the operation of its medical units, is built about the medical profession.

It is that it the medical profession has lagged behind, when the other branches that work with it in its patriotic and humanitarian mission have gone "over the top?"

MORE NAMES TO THE HONOR ROLL

The following are the Reserve Medical Officers already appointed to command Reserve Medical units in California. There are some other medical units, for which no selection has as yet been made.

- Lieutenant-Colonel Charles L. Garvin, Med. Res., Box 81, Livingston, Station Hospital No. 44.
- Lieutenant-Colonel Charles D. Lockwood, Med. Res., 295 Markham Place, Pasadena, Surgical Hospital No. 71.
- Lieutenant-Colonel Charles F. P. Surrogate, Med. Res., 1130 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles, Evacuation Hospital No. 81.
- Major Peter De Odden, Med. Res., 1717 Sherman Street, Alameda, Medical Laboratory No. 1.
- Major George A. Noble, Med. Res., 18 S. V. Hospital No. 64, Camp Keeneey, Hospital Train No. 71.

* Assigned as Corps Surgeon. (No C. O. authorized.)

Assignments and Changes in Personnel—California, Utah and Nevada

Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., October 20, 1925.

The following are the Reserve Officers already assigned to the unit as indicated below, and to the positions as indicated after their respective names:

- General Hospital No. 14, San Francisco, Interior:
  - Colonel W. C. W. Smith, Med. Res., 44 South Gramercy Place, Los Angeles, Calif., as Chief of Medical Service.


- Captain-Captain Henry E. Straub, Dent. Res., 1743 Micheltorena Street, Los Angeles, Calif., as Dental Officer.

- Eighty-first Evacuation Hospital, Third Army:
  - First Lieutenant Walter E. MacPherson, Med. Res., 1190 Mission Road, Los Angeles, Calif., as Medical Officer.

- First Lieutenant David A. Schmit, Med. Res., 1096 Por-
Sixty-seventh Surgical Hospital, Third Army:

Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence A. Weir, Med. Off., 907 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, Calif., as Assistant to Chief of Medical Service.

First Lieutenant Kenneth E. Chamberlain, Med. Off., 1106 Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, Calif., as Assistant to Chief of Medical Service.

Major Joseph A. Parks, Med. Off., 500 Broadway, Chico, Calif., as Assistant to Chief of Medical Service.

Major Lambert B. Coblenz, Med. Off., 205 West Chapell Avenue, Santa Maria, Calif., as Assistant to Chief of Medical Service.

Major Thomas C. Myers, Med. Off., 1501 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, Calif., as Assistant to Chief of Medical Service.

General Hospital No. 130, Zone of Interior:

Major Sydney V. West, Med. Off., 304 Broadway, Chico, Calif., as Assistant to Chief of Medical Service.

First Lieutenant Michael E. Heaton, Med. Off., University of California Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., as Assistant to Chief of Medical Service.

First Lieutenant Percy B. Gallegos, Med. Off., Lane Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., as Surgical Ward Officer.

NEWS ITEMS FROM THE CALIFORNIA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

C. B. PINKHAM, M.D., Secretary

A new method for treatment of paralysis was disclosed in the recent arrest of Jean Campbell, San Diego, California, who is reported to have mulcted a hopelessly paralyzed patient out of $105 under the theory that, by tickling the patient's nostrils with a medical paper, he had succeeded in sneezing and thereby relieve the pressure on the brain that caused the paralysis.

A flight into high finance was disclosed in the arrest of E. A. Mitchell, an interior decorator, charged in Los Angeles with violating the Medical Practice Act. Mitchell is alleged to have received $200 cash in advance for treating an 11-year-old diabetic patient whose trouble he diagnosed as dropsy of the lungs. Following his conviction he was sentenced to ninety days in the county jail.

The filing of a complaint, the Bakersfield police are reporting looking for “Dr.” Harley Hulse Heddens on a charge of violation of the Medical Practice Act. His philosophy is expressed on the front page of his record book. “On the plains of hesitation bleach the bones of countless millions who at the time of victory sat down to wait and, waiting, died.” Not so with Heddens, who did not “tarry long on the plains of hesitation. The minute he found the gait he was off.” According to reports, he collected $168.55 in the period between June 7 and December 31, 1924, and $507.25 from January 1, 1925, to April 18, 1925, in his illegal practice of medicine. Many ergot prescriptions were reported given, his women patients are reported to have paid either $35 or $50 for an operation. No one by the name of H. H. Heddens can be found as licensed to practice medicine in any state or territory of the United States, nor can a record of him be found with the Board of Osteopathic Examiners or the Board of Chiropractic Examiners. P. F. Collier & Son report the delivery to Heddens of a set of “Harvard Classics,” representing $110, for which they have not been paid in full.

Behind the cloak of the Chirothesian Church of Faith are hiding many of those engaged in violation of the Medical Practice Act. One of the more recent ones is William T. Larkin, Los Angeles, Med. Off., Josephine M. Fernald, Los Angeles; and Allen Mills, Richfield, Tehama County, California. The proponents of this organization have declared that they will make the ordinance certificate of the Chirothesian Church of Faith equally recognized with a medical diploma. The recent conviction of Chirothesian Allen Mills for violation of the Medical law has been upheld by the Appellate Court.

Jacob Nilmeter, termed himself “bone specialist,” was charged with violation of the Medical Practice Act in Fresno on April 29, 1925, has not as yet been given preliminary hearing.

Just why the authorities of Monterey County seem loath to bring to trial in the Superior Court “Dr.” Christopher (Charles) Liseum, held for trial by the Justice Court at Castroville early this year, is a matter of little importance. Liseum came to California after Oregon newspapers had rated his arrest on a bootlegging