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Pledged to the TRUTH which Father Andrew saw,
No favor sways us, and no fear shall awe.

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Our Platform

By Our Beloved Founder, Dr. Andrew Taylor Still

It should be known where osteopathy stands and what it stands for. A political party has a platform that all may know its position in regard to matters of public importance, what it stands for and what principles it advocates. The osteopath should make his position just as clear to the public. He should let the public know, in his platform, what he advocates in his campaign against disease. Our position can be tersely stated in the following planks:

First

We believe in sanitation and hygiene.

Second

We are opposed to the use of drugs as remedial agencies.

Third

We are opposed to vaccination.

Fourth

We are opposed to the use of serums in the treatment of diseases. Nature furnishes its own serum if we know how to deliver them.

Fifth

We realize that many cases require surgical treatment and therefore advocate it as a last resort. We believe many surgical operations are unnecessarily performed and that many operations can be avoided by osteopathic treatment.

Sixth

The osteopath does not depend on electricity, X-radiance, hydrotherapy, or other adjuncts, but relies on osteopathic measures in the treatment of disease.

Seventh

We have a friendly feeling for other non-drug natural methods of healing, but we do not incorporate any other methods into our system. We are op-

posed to drugs; in that respect at least, all natural, unharmed methods occupy the same ground. The fundamental principles of osteopathy are different from those of any other system and the cause of disease is considered from one standpoint, viz: Disease is the result of anatomical abnormalities followed by physiological discord. To cure disease the abnormal parts must be adjusted to the normal; therefore other methods that are entirely different in principle have no place in the osteopathic system.

Eighth

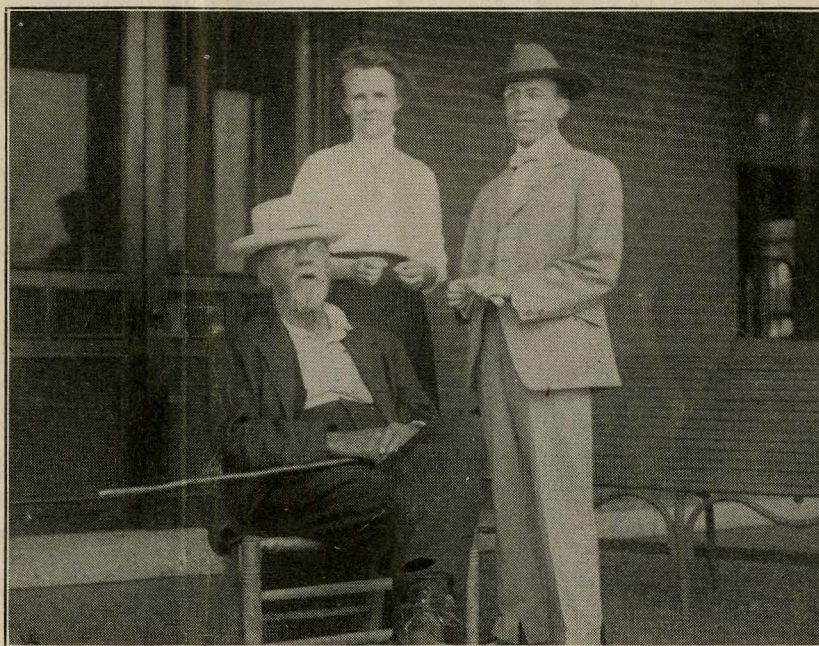
Osteopathy is an independent system and can be applied to all conditions of disease, including purely surgical cases, and in these cases surgery is but a branch of osteopathy.

Ninth

We believe that our therapeutic house is just large enough for osteopathy and that when other methods are brought in just that much of osteopathy must move out.

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"Osteopathy, Research and Practice."



Three of the Faithfuls

"Daddy", Mrs. Laughlin, Asa Willard

On to Boston, June 29th to July 5th

On - to - Boston

PROGRAM FOR TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION OF A. O. A.

Copley-Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., July 1-6

R. Kendrick Smith, D. O., Chairman
Program Committee

Sunday, June 30
MORNING

10:30 Special Invitation Service for Visiting Osteopaths at the famous Old North Church, where Paul Revere hung out his lanterns. Guides will conduct party from hotel at 10 A. M.
11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. "Health Sermons" in various churches. Pulpits occupied by visiting osteopaths

Monday, July 1
MORNING

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
"All New England" Meeting.
Fourteenth Annual Convention of the N. E. Osteopathic Association.
8:00 "A New England Greeting to Visiting D. O.'s"—Charles G. Wheeler, Brattleboro, Vt.
8:05 "Cardiac Technic"—George W. Goode, Frances Graves, Boston.
8:20 "Typhoid Prophylaxis in the Army"—Perrin T. Wilson, Cambridge.
8:30 "Osteopathic Treatment of the Eye"—Mary Emery, Boston.
8:45 "Simplified Orthopedics"—R. Kendrick Smith, Boston.
9:00 "Blood Analysis in Diagnosis"—Waldo Horton, Boston.
9:15 "Obesity"—Earl Scamman, Boston.
9:30 "Lumbar Technic"—Ward C. Bryant, Greenfield.
9:45 "Foot Problems"—George W. Reid, Worcester.
10:00 "The Osteopath Before State Boards"—Matthew T. Mayes, Springfield.
10:15 "Osteopathic Publicity"—Clyde A. Clark, Hartford, Conn.
10:30 "Technic of the Ribs"—S. L. Gants, Providence, R. I.
10:45 "Cervical Lesions"—W. W. Brock, Montpelier, Vt.
11:00 "Physical Diagnosis"—Frank M. Vaughan, Boston.
11:15 "Dorsal Technic"—Norman B. Atty, Springfield.
11:30 "Urology"—William Semple, Somerville.

11:45 "Nose and Throat"—Herbert H. Pentz, Boston.
12:00 Forum of Technic.
12:15 Business Session.

Afternoon

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
1:30 Formal Opening (public).
Invocation—Bishop Babcock.
Dedication of Service Flag.
Address of welcome by Gov. McCall.
Address of welcome by Mayor Peters.
Opening address by President, George W. Riley.
Memorial Meeting in honor of the late Dr. Andrew T. Still.
Address by the son of the founder of osteopathy, Charles E. Still, Kirksville.
Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
4:00 Public Meeting under auspices Woman's Bureau Public Health.
"Our Future Line of Defense"—Emma C. DeVries, Washington, D. C.
The Moral Challenge of the Times"—Fannie E. Carpenter, Chicago.
"Maternal Protection a War Measure"—Edith S. Cane, Boston.
Copley-Plaza Hotel, State Suite.
4:00 Meeting of the Academy of Osteopathy Clinical Research.

EVENING

Symphony Hall.
8:00 "Osteopathy Night" at the "Pop Concert" by the famous Boston Symphony Orchestra. (Main floor reserved for osteopaths). Buy tickets in advance, \$1.10.
Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom
10:00 Reception by A. O. A. Officers and Local Committees.

Tuesday, July 2
MORNING

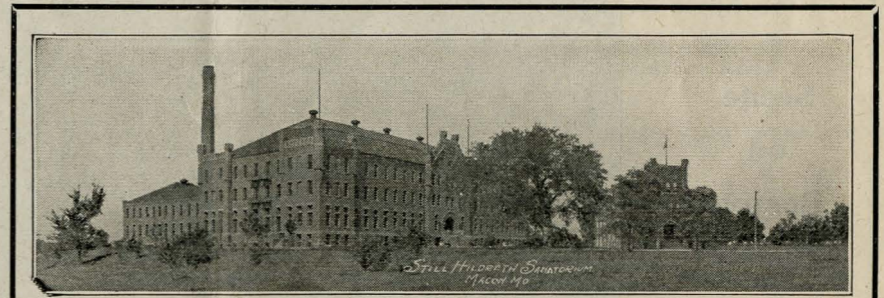
Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
7:30 Physiological Exercises for Women—Evelyn R. Bush, Louisville, Ky.
9:30 Pelvic Technic—C. W. Bruninghaus, Worcester, Mass.
10:00 Sacroiliac and Pelvic Adjustment—E. L. Longpre.
10:30 Orthopedic Clinic—George M. Laughlin.
Copley-Plaza Hotel, State Suite.
9-11 Executive Session of State Presidents, Secretaries, and State Bureau Chairman—Discussion of all Bureau reports.
Middlesex Hospital Amphitheatre.

10:00 Major Surgery—W. Curtis Brigham.
Section on Nose and Throat.
L. S. Larimore, Blackwell, Okla., Chairman.
7-9 Surgical Clinics—J. D. Edwards, St. Louis; C. C. Reid, Denver; W. W. Goodfellow, Los Angeles.
Exeter Theater.
10:00 Moving Pictures of Surgical Operations.
Moving Pictures of the Founder of Osteopathy—O. C. Foreman, Chicago.
Massachusetts College of Osteopathy.
11:00 Technic of Adjustment of Cadaver—H. V. Halladay and staff. Dorsal Region and Ribs E. J. Drinkall.
Hotel Westminster Roof Garden.
12:00 Luncheon — Women's Public Health Dept., Josephine L. Pierce, Chairman.
Copley-Plaza Hotel Room—
8-11 *Nervous and Mental Section.*
Copley-Plaza Hotel, Room—
Nose and Throat Section.
L. S. Larimore, Blackwell, Okla., Chairman.
9-10 Clinics—Technic of Examination and Treatment of Nose and Throat—John H. Bailey, Philadelphia; H. H. Pentz, Boston; J. D. Edwards, St. Louis; W. B. Lynd, Kansas City
10:00 Technic of Nasal Pharynx—L. M. Bush, Jersey City.
10:30 "Some of the More Common Conditions of the Nose and Throat that require Surgery"—W. B. Goodfellow, Los Angeles.
11:15 "The Tonsil; Its Relation to Health"—C. C. Reid, Denver.
12:00 "Iridology;" illustrated by stereopticon slides.
Copley-Plaza Hotel, Room—
Gynecological Section.
Dr. Bertha R. Fair, Muncie, Ind., Chairman;
Dr. Mary Emery, Boston, Asst. Chairman.
9:00 Clinic—Dr. S. Agnes Medlar, Philadelphia.
11:00 "Infantile Uterus"—Dr. Frances A. Perry, Troy, N. Y.
Copley-Plaza Hotel Room—
Gastro-Intestinal Section.
Dr. C. J. Muttart, Philadelphia and Dr. Waldo Horton, Boston, Chairmen
9-12 Copley-Plaza Hotel.
Demonstration of the Fractional Method of Gastric Analysis—J. A. Cozart, Terre Haute, Ind.
Colon Irrigation—Helen F. Perkins, Washington, D. C.

Demonstration of the Differential Diagnosis of Organic and Functional Diseases of the Stomach—C. J. Muttart, Philadelphia.
Mucous Colitis—G. M. Laughlin, Kirksville, Mo.
Technic of Acidemia—G. V. Webster, Carthage, N. Y.
Gastroptosis—Dayton B. Holcomb, Chicago.
Clinical Bacteriological Technic—S. V. Robuck, Chicago.
"Gastro-Intestinal Hygiene"—Francis K. Byrkit, Boston.
AFTERNOON
Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom, Scientific Session.
1:30 "Graphic Demonstration of Vertebral Function and Technic"—H. H. Fryette.
2:00 "Osteopathic Treatment of Juvenile Delinquents Under Court Orders"—Roberts Wimerford, Seattle.
Ira W. Drew, Philadelphia.
R. W. Bailey, Philadelphia.
C. L. Draper, Denver.
2:30 Presentation of a Famous Cured Patient—John H. Bailey, Philadelphia.
2:45 "Attitude of the Courts Toward Osteopathic Cure of Delinquents"—Judge McNeil, of Philadelphia.
3:20 "Nerve Pressure"—H. E. Bernard, Detroit.
3:30 Demonstration of Bedside Technic—C. J. Gaddis.
3:40 Examination Typical Skin Cases by Members—F. J. Stewart, Chicago.
4:00 Prolapse of the Sigmoid. Technic of Adjustment and report of 187 cases—Curtis H. Muncie, Brooklyn, N. Y.
4:20 "Non-Drug Treatment of Kidney Disease"—Charles MacFadden, Bad Axe, Mich.
4:40 "This Year's Progress in Research into the Etiology of Epilepsy"—H. W. Conklin.
5:00 "A New Presentation of Osteopathic Lesions of the Sacroiliac in Court Cases"—Mark Shrum, Lynn, Mass.
5:20 "Heredity vs. Environment in Diagnosis"—E. A. Moore, Belleville, Kans.
EVENING
Copley-Plaza Hotel Private Dining Rooms.
6:00 Reunions, Fraternities, etc. Meeting of osteopaths who are members of college Greek letter fraternities and sororities.
Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.

8:00 Public Lecture and Music.
"The Osteopathic Health Criterion"—Jennie A. Ryel.
"Keeping Fit"—Percy H. Woodall.
9:30 (Members only). Round Table Conferences on Public Education—Jennie A. Ryel, Hackensack, N. J.; P. H. Woodall, Birmingham, Ala.; R. Kendrick Smith, Boston.
Wednesday, July 2
MORNING
Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
7:30 Physiological Exercises for Women—Evelyn D. Bush, Louisville, Ky.
8:30 Technic—D. W. Roberts, Des Moines.
9:00 Technic—James W. Lloyd, Bowman, N. D.
Middlesex Hospital Amphitheatre.
8:00 Operative Orthopedic Surgery—George M. Laughlin.
10:00 Major Surgery—R. D. Emery, Massachusetts College of Osteopathy.
10:00 Technic of Adjustment on Cadaver—H. V. Halliday and staff.
Cervical—C. J. Muttart, Philadelphia.
Exeter Theatre.
11:00 Moving Pictures of Surgical Operations.
Moving Pictures of Nervous Diseases—J. I. Dufur, Philadelphia.
Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
10-12 "Better Babies"—(Public Meeting)—Dept. of Public Health, Josephine L. Pierce, Chairman.
Copley-Plaza Hotel Room—

Pediatrics Section.
Copley-Plaza Hotel, State Suite.
Section on Hay Fever.
8-10 "Examination and Treatment of Hay Fever"—J. D. Edwards, St. Louis; Dr. J. H. Bailey, Philadelphia
10-10:45 "The Mechanism of Immunity to Air-Borne Infections"—G. V. Webster, Carthage. Discussion—J. H. Bailey, Philadelphia.
11-11:45 "Sinusitis; Its Treatment and Relation to Hay Fever"—H. M. Goehring, Pittsburg, Pa.
Copley-Plaza Hotel, Room —
Gynecological Section.
9:00 Clinic—W. Curtis Brigham.
10:30 "Indications for Surgery in Gynecology"—L. Curtis Brigham.
11:00 "The Internal Os Uteri"—Benoni A. Bullock, Detroit.
AFTERNOON
1:30 "The Place of Osteopathy in Preventive Medicine"—Charles Hazzard.
1:50 X-rays of Osteopathic Cures—F. A. Finnerty.
2:15 "Deformity of Dorsal Vertebrae in Relation to Scoliosis, Rachitis, Pott's Disease, and Infantile Paralysis"—Aurelia S. Henry, New York.
2:30 "Far Reaching Effects of Innominate Lesions"—Ethel L. Burner, Bloomington, Ill.
2:40 "Advantage and Necessity of Osteopathic Post-operative Treatment"—George A. Still.
3:30 "Osteopathic Adjustment of Nutritional Problems in Childhood"—E. B. Bohannon.



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3:45—"Rebuilding Paralytics"—Evelyn R. Bush, Louisville, Ky.
 4:15 "Pelvic Inflammations"—Percy H. Woodall.
 5:00 "Osteopathic Obstetrics"—M. E. Clark, Lillian Whiting, Fanny E. Shutts, W. Curtis Brigham.

EVENING

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
 7:30 Symposium.
 "Professional Affairs."
 Group Practice—E. S. Merrill.
 How to Endow Osteopathic Institutions—Col. S. W. Meek, New York.
 "Personality in Practice"—C. C. Reid.
 Report of Bureau of Clinics—Ira W. Drew.
 Report of Bureau of Statistics—G. B. F. Clarke.
 Report of Bureau of Legislation Asa Willard, Missoula, Mont.
 Report of Press Bureau—R. Kendrick Smith, Boston.

Thursday, July 4

MORNING

8-12 Patriotic Trips to Historic Scenes.
 Concord, Lexington, Faneuil Hall, Bunker Hill, Boston Massacre, Old State House, Old South Church, Washington Elm, Harvard College. (One hundred automobiles donated by Boston Osteopaths and their friends.)

AFTERNOON

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.

1:30 War Meeting—Osteopathy and the War—Osteopathic Treatment of War Injuries.
 Speakers from the Front, and Osteopaths in the Service.
 "Treatment of Soldiers"—H. E. Sinden, Ontario; P. M. Peck, San Antonio; A. S. Bean, of the Staff of the Cumberland Street Naval Hospital, N. Y.; John M. Ogle, Moncton, N. B.
 Report of Cure of a Blind Soldier by One Osteopathic Treatment—R. D. Moore, Washington, D. C.

"How Osteopathy Cured Me After Two Years' Blindness Caused by Shell Shock"—Signaller Tom Skeykill, of the Red Cross Lecture Bureau.
 "Military Sanitation; Personal Experiences at Camp Devens"—R. L. Whitaker, Boston.
 Report on War Legislation Work—H. H. Fryette.

EVENING

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
 Fourth of July Banquet.

Friday, July 5

MORNING

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.
 7:30 Physiological Exercises for Women—Evelyn R. Bush, Louisville, Ky.
 10:00 Anterior Dorsal Technic—E. J. Drinkall.
 Middlesex Hospital Amphitheatre.
 7-9 Operative Work of Section on Eye.

9:00 Major Surgery—L. Curtis Brigham.

10:00 Major Surgery—R. D. Emery. Massachusetts College of Osteopathy.

10:00 Technic on Cadaver—H. V. Halladay and staff.
 Lumbar and Sacroiliac—H. P. Frost, Worcester, Mass.
 Exeter Theatre.

11:00 Moving Pictures of Surgical Technic.
 Boston City Hospital.

10:00 Special Invitation Surgical Clinic.
 Copley-Plaza Hotel, Room —

8-11 Laboratory Diagnosis Section.
 Copley-Plaza Hotel, State Suite.
 Section on Eye.

9-10 Clinics—T. J. Ruddy, Los Angeles; G. W. Goode, Boston; C. L. Draper, Denver; C. C. Reid, Denver.

10 to "Cataract, Etiology and Treatment"—Robert H. Dunnington, Philadelphia. Discussion.
 10:30 "Examination of the Eyes of School Children"—N. B. Pherigo Baird, Louisville, Ky. Discussion.

11 to "Some Interesting Case Reports"—C. L. Draper, Denver. Discussion.
 Copley-Plaza Hotel, Room —

Gynecological Section.
 9:00 Clinic—Edith W. Littlejohn, Chicago.

10:45 Election of Chairman of Gynecological Section for 1919.

Scene
 on
 Boston
 Common

Two
 Blocks of
 Copley
 Square



11:00 Round Table—Edith W. Littlejohn, presiding.
 Copley-Plaza Hotel, Room —
 Section on Obstetrics.
 Lillian Whiting, Los Angeles.

9:00 "The Preservation of Cervix During Labor and Puerperium"—Blanche Mayes Elfrink, Chicago.

9:30 "The Conduct of Labor in Breech Cases"—S. D. Zephyriades, Chicago.

10:00 "The Conduct of Labor from an Osteopath's Standpoint"—Hugh E. Penland, Berkeley, Calif.

10:30 "The Puerperium; How to Prevent Pathological Conditions"—D. S. B. Pennock, Philadelphia.

AFTERNOON

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.

1:00 Business Meeting and Election of Officers.

3:00 "An Osteopath's Lone Battle with a Poliomyelitis Epidemic"—P. Holliday, Montreal.

3:15 "Total Statistical Results of Osteopathic Treatment of Mental Diseases to Date"—L. Van H. Gerdine.

4:00 Sail Down Harbor, Ocean Bathing, Clambake Dinner and Evening on Beach and Dancing at Amusement Park.

Saturday, July 6

MORNING

Copley-Plaza Hotel Ballroom.

7:30 Physiological Exercises for Women—Evelyn R. Bush, Louisville, Ky.

8:30 Technic—Samuel Borton.
 9:00 Technic—E. A. Moore.

Middlesex Hospital Amphitheatre.
 7-9 Surgical Clinics—Section on Ear. Massachusetts General Hospital.

11:00 Surgical Operations.
 Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital.

10:00 Surgical Operations.
 Massachusetts College of Osteo Technic on Cadaver—H. V. Halladay and staff.
 Miscellaneous Articulations.

12:00 Inspection of Forsyth Dental Infirmary (largest in the world).
 Copley-Plaza Hotel, State Suite.
 Section on Ear.

9 to Clinics—W. V. Goodfellow, Los Angeles; W. B. Lynd, Kansas City; Edgar D. Heist, Kitchener, Ont.

10:30 "Deafness Versus Auditory Nerve Deficiency"—C. M. La Rue, Lancaster, Ohio; L. S. Larimore, Blackwell, Okla.

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The Perpetuation of Osteopathic Truth

E. R. BOOTH, D. O., CINCINNATI, OHIO

The above title has a double meaning: First, the continuance of the truth as laid down by A. T. Still and applied to the etiology of disease and the means he made use of to maintain health and to overcome human ailments. Second, the continuance of the publication of the monthly magazine called, "Osteopathic Truth," devoted to the A. T. Still idea of Osteopathy.

We have heard so much of the so-called Osteopathy that many have lost sight of Osteopathic fundamentals and need to be reminded of the truth at least monthly and jarred now and then to bring them back to their senses and to inspire them with a deserved confidence in Osteopathy.

Osteopathy is just as wonderful today as it was twenty years ago and Osteopathy practiced now as it was then is securing the same marvelous, almost miraculous, results. The truth given us by Dr. Still and his methods of applying it in the practice of the healing art must be preserved in its purity. There preservation is necessary to the progress of Osteopathy and upon them depends the benefit the world will get from Dr. Still's life and work.

It does not follow that Osteopathy is not a progressive science. He who is not progressive is not a true follower of Dr. Still. But in what field shall we progress? Shall we devote our energies to the cultivation of the virgin soil of the healing art or shall we steal into the field long since preempted by the old medical profession? The answer will depend upon our ideals and our pluck. If we have a 100 per cent strength of the A. T. Still brand we can easily perpetuate Osteopathy in its purity; but if it is as much as 50 per cent or even 25 per cent of something else we may look forward to disaster.

To stick to a principle and to persist in a practice not almost universally accepted require courage and pluck. That is what Dr. A. T. Still did and what hundreds of his followers are doing and the results have been satisfactory. To resort to practices which are not Osteopathic when they are constantly held up before us by promoters and profiteers show a weakness. All of us like to be known as progressive. We shirk from even having the appearance of being non-progressive, hence many of us very naturally are willing to try the latest antiseptic, serum, vaccine, or gland extract, the wily agents of which constantly remind us by word of mouth and by printer's ink of their 100 per

cent efficiency. We are blinded by the Hunnish methods of propaganda often resorted to and loose sight of the fundamentals of our own practice. Not being 100 per cent Osteopathic we are lured by the false statements and like the American who is less than 100 per cent patriotic we begin to believe that our enemies are right and we, it may be unwittingly, pass the falsehoods on to others.

One who believes in dentistry and other specialties practiced conservatively is not necessarily non-Osteopathic. If he does not believe in such procedures he is positively not Osteopathic; he ignores the dictum of Dr. A. T. Still, "find it, fix it." But the fact that he believes in removing the puss pocket from the root of a tooth by which the system is infected producing "rheumatism" will not blind the real Osteopath to the fact that there are other causes for so-called rheumatism and that most of them were easily removed by pure Osteopathy long before the tonsils or the teeth were accused of being the offenders. And so the Osteopath who lives in a surgical atmosphere and jumps at the conclusion that the patient's case is surgical without making a thorough Osteopathic examination and diagnosis is no Osteopath and probably can never be made one.

That every member of our profession needs a staunch Osteopathic visitor at least once a month is self-evident. Literature praising other therapeutic agencies reach me almost daily.

While "Osteopathic Truth" is not infallible, in my humble opinion, it surely has stood up for our fundamentals. As evidence of this fact, look at the April, 1918 number and read pages 133, 134, 135, 137, 142, 143 and 147. They ring out with no uncertain tone. We must keep such thoughts constantly in mind. We must read Osteopathy, think it, talk it, practice it. Our professional reading must be almost wholly Osteopathic, and then we will have a vision of things Osteopathic. The man or the woman who reads pro-American newspapers, magazines, and books will be a loyal citizen of the United States, while one who feasts upon the propaganda of our enemies will be pro-German. If we want to be pro-Osteopathy we must feed daily upon the information dealt out to us through Osteopathic channels by uncompromising Osteopathic physicians. The profession needs Osteopathic Truth and should see that its publication is continued.

The Needs of the Osteopathic Profession

GEO. F. BURTON, D. O., LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Osteopathy, both as a Science and an Art stands out as a distinct therapeutic potentiality. In the short period of twenty years, the organized life of Osteopathy, an entirely new system of healing has been amply justified, notwithstanding the fact that slackers in the form of serum dispensers and poisonous-potion administrators are in evidence, camouflage in many seemingly disinterested ways has been advocated, sabotage or arson has been unwillingly and unwittingly allowed, and last but not least perhaps a few cankering worms have been eating at the core.

When we review the history of Osteopathic achievement we are almost amazed at the startling results produced. Decultory reading has been displaced for sound and thorough socratic erudition. Anatomy, physiology, pathology, chemistry and et cetera, are studied seriatim and soluted to an ad infinitum minutae basis. Causes producing results are sought after as never before. The entire medical world is alive and awake to know the why and the wherefore of every possible condition interfering with normal health. But undoubtedly the greatest benefit wrought and the most far-reaching benediction bestowed is that of self-help to the masses whereby and wherein they are taught that their bodies are receptacles of only food products and their minds dwelling-places of righteousness. If the awakening or dawn-period of Osteopathic effulgence has had such an ameliorating and cheering effect what will be the result produced under the full force of the developed intensified and unified blaze of self-help, self-repair and self-culture, the eternal verities of the Osteopathic philosophy.

The ringing cry of the masses today is for health, light, life and freedom. Witness the giant struggle on the Euro-

pean Continent for the democratization of the peoples of the earth! Nations are allied together in bonds of blood for the security of domestic peace and happiness. Freedom and very life are at stake. And if an entire world can only reach a vortex or maelstrom of utter darkness in order to right the wrongs of the ages, sacrificing the blood of millions of men to atone for the sins of the past; and as camouflage, slacking, profiteering, domineering, vilely persecuting and et cetera must be abandoned for the more congenial warmth and consonance of the natural heart-throbs of real men and women pulsating for freedom and fellow-feeling and charity in order that individual entity may be alike honored, encouraged and pedestaled, so must every subsidiary force or organization within government have its own clear-cut line of demarcation or its unwavering tentative line of boundary.

Hence the needs of the Osteopathic profession today can be summarized briefly as follows, viz.:

I. We need a Definition of Osteopathy.

A few words may not be an accurate definition; but a series of paragraphs would unfold and explain and amplify sufficiently so that all the beneficiaries of this new system of healing would not be misled.

II. We need to outline what constitutes an Osteopathic college.

When a definition with implicit explanation is given of Osteopathy as under need No. I, it will be a very easy task to enumerate the subjects which shall comprise the curriculum of an Osteopathic college, as also the manner in which they shall be taught.

III. We need definite articles of belief for attestation of the amalgamation of individuals into local, county, state and national associations.

Business managers, college professors and practitioners in the field must all measure up to the full standard of stature of Osteopathic usefulness.

IV. We need uniform, separate and reciprocal legislation in every state of the Union.

If this is our aim and ideal we are not only not ashamed to go before leg-

islatures and ask for the help we need, but we are an undivided and unified force back of the same. We know there will be no quibbling about the instruction in our colleges, no hesitation concerning the methods used in the field of practice; and when we meet in our associations and conventions all our deliberations and aims will be but the result of intensified unification of purpose.

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Observations By Another Old-Timer

Dr. Still has passed! May we believe he still lives in spirit? Shall we think he is cognizant of what we, his children, are doing toward perpetuating our legacy? The simple truth, viz., "Structural integrity presupposes bodily health."

They tell us no sorrow awaits us in the Heavenly realm; if true, then our dear Doctor experiences no pangs as he looks over the Osteopathic battlefield; observing many of his children rubbing them by the hour without either diagnosis or prognosis just gabbing while they rub; incidentally remarking, you must treat an hour.

Or, he may observe some of our field periodicals exploiting Ehrlich in contradiction to Dr. Still or indulging in other propaganda tending to confuse or destroy the little true Osteopathy acquired by the novice in recent years, in truth our science is steadily assailed by some self-appointed writers' gifted in powers but lacking in the best appreciation of the Osteopathic concept.

Those in the field now observe in place of the old-time recognition by the public of the Osteopath as a physician, a person with some ability, personality, and standing, a growing idea that one is as good as another: no special ability being possessed by the Osteopath other than one finds in a bath attaché: The cause? mainly the routine one hour's muscle working without direction by so many; pseudo massage flatters it.

Who knows but our efforts at Washington might perhaps have borne better fruit, had we maintained our primitive innocence as adjusters of man's mechanical organization instead of having the supreme affrontery of trying to talk on a few defunct medical prerogatives on our sublime banner.

Governmental regulations require the recognition as medical officers of only those who finish in recognized medical schools, we Osteopathic people for years claimed absolutely no reliance on drugs, whereas of late many have evinced a desire to add to their equipment, whisks and a medicine case (both now bad form among the best medical men): the added equipment is supposed to increase business, but does it? No; the writer will so wager.

Returning to the army situation, there can be no doubt that the Surgeon General of the Army has been informed that the Osteopaths posing as a drugless cult are now seeking to practice drug-giving in addition to their rubbing, is this true? Look around you, of course, it's

true. Then why blame the medical hosts for their attitude? They are consistent, it's just a case of chickens coming home to roost, that's all.

Hundreds have abandoned Osteopathy and returned to their M. D. doctor on account of some spineless mixer telling them a little of this or a little of that would be of value; the party went to the so-called Osteopath convinced that drugs were passé; the Osteopath spilled the beans, the patient ever after ridicules Osteopathy: unfortunately in this case, experience is the false teacher.

Standardization of Osteopathy is to be sought, but it seems very remote. Recent entrants in the field are possessed by the idea that the pioneers in the field are ex-coil passers, sent out to hold the line until the real things could be sent to the front line. Of course, the first named party being human, whatever else he may be, dislikes very much such attitude, hence acts accordingly, so far as lending the helping hand, which in most cases he is well able to do.

The pioneer was and is Osteopathic; his work has rewarded him with results; so when he reflects that most of his results were achieved on cases where surgery had failed, where serums had worse than failed, where scientific feeding had fizzled, he may be pardoned if he quietly bears the foolish innuendoes the doughboys indulge in.

The idea is that this state of affairs won't do. The old school Allopath is loyal to his Alma Mater and all his fellows, his Alma Mater endorses him every time though he finished fifty years ago.

You seek for criticism of one medic by another and find the fraternal spirit prevailing far more than can be said of some other schools of practice.

Unhappily many times on referring patient elsewhere the new doctor instead of carefully guarding the former one's premises, proceeds to make discoveries galore. Didn't he find this place? or did he not put you on a diet? Did he not take your blood pressure, etc., etc.? Fine business for all three, both doctors and the patient, too. Ten to one the discoverer is thought a bunco steerer and the other doctor incompetent or indifferent; many times the patient is lost to Osteopathy.

On the other hand referred patients come to us and appear to have had no diagnosis whatever. You ask them what did Doctor So and So claim was the root of your trouble? They reply, "Oh,

he just treated my back each time I went to him or her." There is the big mistake; most necessary is it that a cause Osteopathic should be impressed upon the patient.

Else why wonder at their lack of appreciation and belief that Osteopathy is just one of many systems of rubs.

The Palmerites have their strongest asset in that exclusive spinal diagnosis, Osteopathic as it is, while we are too careless and must certainly not lose sight of the basic principle upon which our whole structure rests. Adhere strictly to the lesion as the causative factor, refrain from even suggesting more water drinking in a case of, say constipation. After a few treatments, one may go into auxiliary lines such as six glasses of water a day, or a dozen prunes a day, but first get the mechanical factor established or you find the patient giving credit to water or prunes with the lesion in the background.

It is but a short time since the writer had this experience, the patient was made well after suffering for years from gastric and intestinal stasis; adjustment along dorsal spine fourth to eighth corrected disorder. Now, incidently raw prunes were suggested; result, the party being a wholesale grocer, he declared he had all heads of departments eating raw prunes; but failed to include Osteopathy until reminded.

The writer has known Osteopaths to examine and treat a patient. Then, after the first treatment, prepare a diet sheet for them to take home. Many times the patient failed to return; the reason is obvious; the diet sheet may have been of service (some think so), but it should have been withheld until Osteopathy made itself obviously the great factor.

It pulls on the heart strings of those who have put Osteopathy on the map for twenty years, to find it urgent to call on the rank and file to remember the A B C of the Dr. Still Therapy, the therapy of common sense.

Those longest in practice are not seekers after the flesh pots, they are not menaced by the wolf at the door. Far from it; but they feel, as does the parent when the child proves wayward, fear for the future of the child.

A picture some time hence showed a fine old hen standing on the edge of a pond in a terrible state because of her supposed hen's eggs proving to have been duck eggs, the ducklings at once rushed to the water.

May we hope our schools make sure that the hatching out will not prove as disappointing in the future as in the past.

PROGRAM

American Osteopathic Society Ophthalmology and Oto-Laryngology Hotel Brunswick, June 26th to 29th.

Wednesday, June 26th			
MORNING			
8:30	Welcome and Reception of to 12 Members.	10:30	"Symposium—Local Treatment in Tonsillitis," M. C. Hardin, Mary Compton, C. A. Williams.
		AFTERNOON	
10:00	President's Address.	1:30	"Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Indications of Acidosis," G. V. Webster.
		AFTERNOON	
1:30	"Sinus Pathology and How to Deal with It Osteopathically," W. V. Goodfellow.	2:15	"Roentgenology as an Aid to the Oto-Laryngologist," L. S. Larimore.
3:00	"Diagnosis and Treatment of Sinus Pathology," B. C. Clausen.	3:00	Clinics at the Brunswick.
4:30	"How the Osteopathic Specialist Builds Up Resistance in Nose and Throat Tissues," L. M. Bush.	8:00	Business—Election of Officers.
		EVENING	
		Friday, June 28th	
		MORNING	
		6:45	Hospital Clinics.
		8:30	"Relation between the Removal of Local and of General Lesions in Eye Diseases," T. J. Ruddy.
6:45	Hospital Clinics.	10:00	"Prognosis and Treatment in Strabismus," E. J. Breitzman.
8:30	"Technic of Adenoid Removal in General Practitioner's Office," H. S. Beckler.	11:00	"How Refraction Aids Osteopathy—Case Records," C. E. Abegglen.
9:15	"Diseased Tonsils and Their Treatment," C. C. Reid.		
		AFTERNOON	
		1:30	Hay Fever Round Table—Led by paper on Hay Fever. Leader, M. M. Brill.
		AFTERNOON	
		3:00	Clinics at the Brunswick.
		EVENING	
		8:00	Banquet. Toastmaster, T. J. Ruddy.
		Saturday, June 29th	
		MORNING	
		6:45	Hospital Clinics.
		8:30	"Partial Deafness," J. D. Edwards.
		10:00	"Constitutional Troubles Indicated by Adhesions in the Fossa of Rosenmuller and Cured by Freeing Up Latter," Harry Semones.
		11:00	"After Treatment Following Nasopharynx Radical Operation," John H. Bailey.
		AFTERNOON	
		1:30	Catarrhal Deafness Round Table, led by paper on subject. Leader, Edward B. Hart.
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BOSTON IS READY

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Boston, June 2nd, 1918.

Dr. Earl J. Drinkall, Editor,
Osteopathic Truth,

My dear Doctor Drinkall:—

It is with great pleasure that we announce to the profession that "BOSTON IS READY" to handle the very best osteopathic convention in our history. The finishing touches are being put upon the situation all along the line and every weak spot strengthened.

So far as Boston is concerned, a most profitable and inspiring time awaits every delegate attending the convention, not to mention the many plans for getting acquainted and for social recreation.

First of all, THE PROGRAM: Just glance over the programs of past conventions and see if you have ever been offered a more varied and more practical program. The whole profession has been canvassed for the latest in research, the best of technique and the most practicable of instruction generally. Beyond question, Dr. R. Kendrick Smith has supplied a program worthy of our best

traditions, a program which will do much to direct favorable public sentiment in our direction, and through this, will bring to our support the intelligent popular backing which is needed for the success of our bill down at Washington. Convention week in Boston will serve to brush the cobwebs from the brains of all of us and supply the raw material for months of constructive individual thought.

Next, the BUSINESS SESSION: Never before has our profession been called upon to solve so many problems vital to our very existence. The best methods for securing victory for H. R. 5407; the best methods for securing closer co-operation between national and state associations; the best methods for insuring the existence of our colleges; all these and many more of vital questions must be considered and decided at this meeting.

Our national organization is rapidly reaching toward the light of a closer association with the various state societies, without which much of lost motion must always occur. Every member has a direct personal interest in such a readjustment, because every member must eventually sink or swim with the fortunes of the national body. Without proper organization, we are lost; with it, we can supply the world with an intelligent therapy based upon the latest developments in the field of science.

None of us is stronger or bigger than the parent body, and only with our close co-operation can the national association fulfill its highest destiny. Constructive duty calls strongly toward the Boston meeting, a meeting which will pass into history as perhaps the most important ever held. Come and do your bit for a bigger and better organization, a victorious campaign for H. R. No. 5407, and a new student body sufficient to carry our colleges through the cloudy present into an expanding future.

Lastly, the SOCIAL FEATURES: A Reception Committee of sixty members under the Chairmanship of Dr. Edith S. Cave, will be waiting to welcome you, each one wearing a RED ROSETTE with white center, bearing the words "Reception Committee." If you get by them without a challenge, they will be discharged for inefficiency. However, just help them out a bit by making yourself known and they will do the rest. Watch out for the RED ROSETTE.

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of the route of Paul Revere. A trip down the harbor, with a shore dinner on the beach, has been provided by the New England profession, and should prove one of the happiest occasions in osteopathic history.

Many other features of friendly hospitality have also been arranged, with a view to securing a closer personal feeling within the profession, because "UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL" has never been more true than at this very moment.

The Committee on General Arrangements, Dr. George W. Goode, Chairman, has been working hard upon the details for a smoothly running Convention mechanism. All plans have been finished except some small details depending on the weather, and a model meeting is thereby assured. The Convention Hall is one of the finest in the country, seating some twelve hundred people, with acoustic properties of an exceptional order. The Copley-Plaza Hotel is situated right in the heart of Boston, opposite the Public Library, and at the starting point for all automobile trips. WELCOME OSTEOPATHS. COME ONE, COME ALL.

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HR 5407

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HR5407 is still in the committee and as has been reported to us the committee are willing to report favorably on the bill but that it is being held up by Secretary Baker.

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AWAKE! AWAKE!

DR. GEO. LAUGHLIN TO BUILD HOSPITAL

Dr. George Laughlin is getting ready to build a hospital of his own on the ground across the street from the A. S. O. where the "Shack" stood and the first school of osteopathy.

The building will be modern and well equipped to care for all kinds of cases.

Dr. Laughlin has received some very fine offers to connect himself with other schools and cities since resigning from A. S. O.

We wish him success in his new undertaking.

Osteopathy Crystallized

Just to prove that long and frequent articles on Osteopathy are impossible, and even that short ones, will only be saying the same things over again, I refer you to "Our Platform" on the front page and to the articles written by those who have stood on this platform because they are exponents of an exact science. "The same yesterday, to-day, and forever."

Of course, medicine is not a science at all. No real M. D. claims it is. They do claim, and truthfully, that the practice is and has been always to try all things and discard that which is proven of no value and retain the good. Do you not see why fashions change in medicine? Why the correct thing of five, ten, or twenty years ago is now in limbo, and that until they adopt adjustment they will go on and on with blind experimentation.

We and they know that medicine is not satisfactory. Can you not see that very soon our good science, true as natural law, will be the universal method of preventing and curing disease. Then why dabble with trash and discards? Let us all line up to our principles and show our M. D. Brothers a clean army of trained veterans willing and ready to have them join us to free the world as nearly as possible from the penalties nature exacts for violated laws.

Certainly many nervous and mental ailments are better handled in institutions under trained experts, first, because they can be held until cured. Second, the physician who gives his whole time to this class in a place specially adapted to this kind of work, assures the element of highest efficiency, so with inflammatory and articular rheumatism. Hot springs with doctors to advise and guide as well as treat gives best results. Also in acute work, how much better if we had most of these cases in a well equipped hospital, properly nursed, fed, and exercised. I ask you, would we need much Hydrotherapy, electricity, vibrators, surgery, etc.

Let us hold frequent consultation on difficult as well as interesting cases, start clinics in all towns, these to be the nucleus to get new hospitals, or gain places where we can work unhindered in existing hospitals. (This not feasible as yet).

Everyone of us knows that most of our good-pay patients leave us to go to the big doctor who treats the Gotrocks family and their associates, for the big doctor is such a super doctor that he has only time to treat the very

elect. He is handy with excuses to rid his mahogany furnished chambers when invaded by common mortals. He is always the individual who has thrown a crow-bar into the machinery when the other D. O.'s want to start a clinic. Boasts of his immense income and that all patients pay full price, and he never has any unpaid accounts owing for his services. Do you recognize this wonderful being?

In the past twelve years over half of the medical colleges have closed their doors; then why should our schools bother with adding a little medical trash and mischief making confusion to the embryo D. O. for we know most of those who were taught nothing but Osteopathy, rely on that, and those who got a mixture are the liberal or eclectic among us.

Surgery is overdone. All good surgeons say so. Why should we be so bothered over this surgery question? In twenty years practice, I have had only one major and not over twenty minor operations done. Many Osteopaths have even a cleaner slate than this. If all the Osteopaths in the world would treat the so-called surgical cases as Dr. Still taught us, Dr. George or any other of a few thousand handy boys with the knife, could do all the necessary surgery in Civil life that comes into our hands and have ample time to play golf or emulate Isaac Walton.

Now, is it not clear that adjustment is the means of our cures? Then let us not waste time with vibrators, electricity, and such junk. When you do not understand a case, or it does not respond as you think it should, call a radical osteopath, one of those ten fingered old fossils, who try to do as Father Still did. Just try it to have some fun. Show the ignorant adjuster up. Stick him and gloat over him, perhaps instead of scoffing you will be converted to the true concept of Osteopathy, and will find that in "Our Platform" as published on the front page is the whole of a true and exact science, one that can only be improved as more of us adhere to its principles and follow as nearly as we can, what the greatest doctor the world has or will know, has given us.

(Signed) Walter Novinger, D. O.,
Trenton, New Jersey.

P. S.—Many of my medical friends have expressed to me profound reverence and condolence over the passing of our loved leader.

WORK SOMEONE TO WORK
FOR H. R. 5407. QUICK!

ANOTHER DRUG FALLACY KNIFED BY THE A. M. A.

Syrup of hypophosphites has been a popular so-called tonic since Fellows concocted his compound and popularized it, first, by appealing to the medical profession and afterwards directly to the public. Among the so-called spring tonics, compound syrup of hypophosphites for a long time has been regarded as one of the best. It has been used extensively after prolonged acute illnesses and wasting diseases for its supposedly "building up" qualities. Indeed, it has been used so frequently for these conditions and has been recommended so highly by orthodox medical sources that considerable faith has been inspired in its supposed virtue. But alas! when the public as well as a large percentage of professional drug dispensers known as M. D.'s had about reached the point where they no longer questioned the potency of this remedy—accepting its virtue as a matter of course, as a truth demonstrated beyond any reasonable doubt—the A. M. A. sallies forth and declares the whole thing a fallacy.

On page 783, the A. M. A. Journal, March 16, 1918, under the heading "Army Medical Department Encouraging a Fallacy," makes the following remarks:

"The drug supplies that are being purchased by the medical department of the United States Army are commendably free from unscientific and worthless proprietary preparations. This is progress. One's optimism, however, is tempered in looking through a long list of drugs and chemicals on which bids are asked by the General Purchasing Office of the Medical Department, U. S. A. Item No. 148 of 'Post Supplies' calls for three tons (in one pound bottles) of the 'Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites! It is safe to say that there is not a physician in one of the army posts who, if the question were put to him frankly, would admit that 'Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites' belonged to the armamentarium of a scientific physician. Yet, six thousand bottles of this relic of a past generation are called for, are to be paid for and are to occupy valuable freight space in shipping to the various army posts. What utter waste! And what a reflection!!"

G. W. R.

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All our Osteopathic journals contain appeals from the A. O. A. for help to put through a bill, now before a Congressional committee, granting Osteopaths the right to treat the sick and wounded in the various cantonments here, and at the war front in France.

We glory in this great effort, not only for the recognition that such a bill would give to Osteopathy but also for the great value Osteopathy would be to the suffering men.

The question naturally arises, why do we wish to be represented on the medical corps of our country as Osteopaths? It is because we believe that we as a profession have arrived at a place far in advance of the medical ideas, and where our school of practice can do what the so-called "regular school" cannot do. And because we do believe this we are willing to make a supreme effort for the official right to a place on the army and navy medical corps.

How is it that we know that Osteopathy can do what the regular school cannot do? It is because we know that the basic principle the "Old Doctor" gave us is a practical working guide. It will accomplish the work. He proved it again and again and we have proved it also.

We know that Osteopathy can handle a case of pneumonia more quickly and safely than our old school opponents. They know it too, hence their opposition.

We know that Osteopathy can bring back to normal the various tissue malconditions that result from the great nervous and physical strain the men of the army are under.

The principle of adjustment is right. It has brought and will bring results if correctly applied.

Osteopathy stands in the public mind today as a method of treatment that gets results and because of this its practitioners have an exceptional opportunity.

We have to admit, however, that this favorable attitude of the public is due to the work and results obtained by the early A. T. Still Osteopaths who practically knew nothing of curative methods except the Osteopathy the "Old Doctor" taught them.

This being the case why are there so many heterodox Osteopaths who, while posing as Osteopaths and sunning themselves in its popularity, are willing to use and advocate the old school fallacies which today are and tomorrow are not?

One cannot attend a state meeting or convention that one does not have to listen to the dissertation of some heterodox Osteopath who takes that opportunity to show that his successes depend not on his Osteopathic work so much as on the adjuncts and medical aids he uses.

I attended a meeting recently where a heterodox Osteopath talking on the subject of the tonsils after telling what Osteopathy could not do proclaimed the virtues of surgery. But in referring to the finger surgery of the Osteopaths as compared with instrumental surgery of the medical fraternity advocated the instrumental surgery as being safer and freer from danger of secondary infection. On another occasion he referred to the finger surgery which has been so successful with so many Osteopaths as in his case not meeting with any success and the slur on Osteopathy though very delicate was a slur nevertheless and had its influence. His whole effort seemed to be to bring his medical surgery to the front at the expense of Osteopathy.

I have not attended a single meeting where the weight of his influence has not been against Osteopathy when compared with medical methods. As he has a private class in the winter one can well imagine, judging from his remarks at the meetings what his influence must be on the practitioners that come under his instruction.

He openly defined his position in an article of his in the "Osteopath" some months ago when, after speaking of the narrowness of the ten-finger Osteopaths and the A. T. Still brand of Osteopaths considering themselves the only orthodox Osteopaths, he says that "heterodox Osteopathy will later become the orthodox Osteopathy."

He is only one of the many heterodox Osteopaths, and I refer to him because of his unusual opportunity to influence insidiously against pure Osteopathy, who unfortunately have an influence on the young practitioners without a firm Osteopathic foundation just starting out to practice. A versatile practitioner with apparent success holding an M. D. degree has a great influence with such to the detriment of Osteopathy.

Under this sort of instruction where will Osteopathy be in a few years?

Of what avail is all the expenditure of money, time and effort to put through this bill if at the end of a few years heterodoxy is all the Osteopathy there is left?

What are we of the narrow, ten-finger, A. T. Still brand of Osteopaths who call ourselves orthodox going to do about it? Are we going to sit idly by and see the Osteopathy of the future become heterodoxy, or are we going to support this bill and any other bill that makes for the advancement of pure Osteopathy and the preservation of the brilliancy of this gem of truth?

While we cannot hope to change the heterodox Osteopaths back to orthodoxy we can make a strong effort to

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prevent the students and practitioners of the future from becoming heterodox.

I cannot but believe that the heterodox Osteopaths are the result first of the lack of sound teaching in the principles of Osteopathy and second the want of practical experience before going out in the field. They flounder about in their ignorance and want of faith until they finally seek help from medical literature which accomplishes the fact for them. Then as they cannot see into the principles of Osteopathy they decide on a medical course which confirms their heterodoxy. Then instead of going over to medicine wholly they bask in the popularity of Osteopathy and try to convert other Osteopaths to their opinions.

The future of Osteopathy rests on just one thing and that is a school under the direction of the true practitioners where Osteopathy will be taught in its purity and where the student cannot graduate without a working knowledge of its efficiency. A school where Osteopathy is its keynote and the enthusiasm of the student. In fact "The International School" the dream of the "Old Doctor." Shall we make his dream a reality?

THE "CHIRO" SITUATION

It requires no psychologist to gather from the writings of D. J. Palmer, these days, that the Chiropractic propaganda, particularly their organized Defense Pool, as headed by lawyers, Morris and Hartwell of La Crosse, Wis., are not having the best possible time these days. The attorneys for the Defense Pool have been kept chasing across the country defending so many of their members that that pool is about as close to the wall as it has ever been. They have had to miss connection at more trials this year than ever before and more trials have gone against them. If the same pressure was brought to bear upon these pseudo Osteopaths, who belong to this pool in all of the states, where it is possible to enforce the law, that has been brought to bear in a few of the states like Massachusetts, Ohio, Tennessee and Montana, the Defense Pool would soon go broke.

In spite of a considerable number of acquittals in some of these states, those enforcing the law, have kept at it, very much to the embarrassment of the Defense Pool. In Montana, the Defense Pool has won exactly 10 per cent of its cases. The lawyers for the pool get out a monthly bulletin in which they report to the members. A copy of the last one, recently came into our hands.

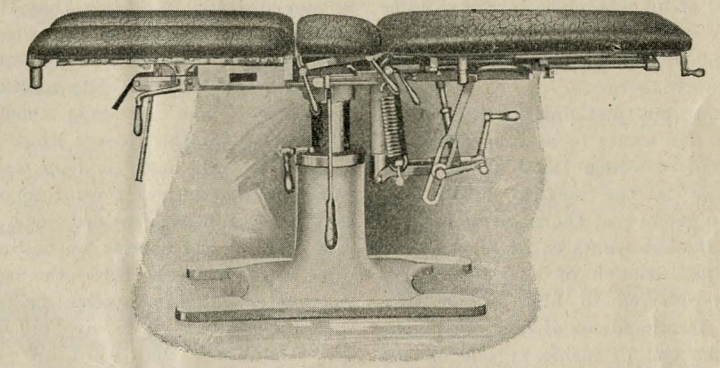
Reporting on California, Mr. Morris reports that they have won two cases and he anticipates no further trouble

from that state as they have the medical board whipped. As all systems are regulated under that board, it is to be hoped that they will enforce the law as vigorously against the Osteopathic fakers as they have against the medical fakers.

In Paris, Texas, where a member of the pool was kicked out, Mr. Morris reports that the town is a sleepy, slow-going place, not much of a place to live in, in fact. Considering the source of this report and what was done to his client, it is possible that Paris, Texas, may be a good place to live in.

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Ruminations

The Spurious and the Bastard Osteopath

By "SIMON PURE"

They tell me there is a bird that plays a dirty trick to get its own young hatched and reared. This said bird just dumps the eggs out of another bird's nest, lays her own egg therein, then leaves the whole job to the unsuspecting real family-loving mother. Naturalist Teddy may put me in his Annanias Club, so I hasten to add that I have never seen this thing done—not by birds.

No; I'm not alluding to "hang-nails." They stole the egg, after it was pipped, then lied about where the bird-idea came from. A judicious swing of the axe a la my good friend Asa Willard is the proper dope there.

The spurious just did not breed true to form. He wants to be a specialist of some kind of which there are a super abundance in the medical ranks. He wants to get out of the work of being a real D. O., but wants to be known as a D. O.—just enough of a D. O. to get patients referred to him by the profession. Two incidents of this breed come up in the cud of memory; one on the Atlantic and one on the Pacific—you know I told you I had a w-i-d-e acquaintance.

The Atlantic bird, a beauty with a Kaiser Bill of a mustache, elongated brow, and a hand shake that is heart-thrilling,—he does the sanitarium act with lots of water and drugs, a minimum of osteopathy administered not by his soft lily-white hands, but by a skillful calf of a D. O. who needs a small cash bonus before he can set up shop for himself.

Of course he is a hyphenated D. O.-M. D. which he camouflages successfully by calling himself plain "Dr." on all his printed matter I have ever seen. He belongs to the State Osteopathic Society, doesn't mix with local D. O.'s, but reads papers on hydrotherapy before the local County Medical Society, of which I am told he is a member. But I doubt it. At any rate, the patient of mine that went to him at one time came home with three prescriptions filled at "Jacob's."

But that Pacific bird, from the wonderful West, a land of "unlimited" and obliterating license! He may or may not have an M. D. degree. He does not need it in that air of freedom where one murders the name of osteopathy, legally, by being a Doctor-with-all-privileges and no distinction.

He does not bother or belittle himself spreading any doctrines that the body is

a machine that when properly adjusted will manufacture its own reparative and defensive compounds. In all his office which I went through quite leisurely during his absence, being duly impressed by the "larmin'" of his nurse-assistant who told me of the use of his Parke-Davis "specific" administering impudenta,—in all his magnificent offices I did not see or hear the word osteopathy—no, not once. That egg had been tossed out of the nest. Yet that "specific" doctor-bird told me later that the fact that he was known as an osteopathic specialist was worth blankety-blank dollars a year to him. The mother bird osteopathy was bringing home the "bacon"—not the Hoover kind.

Now I shall have to drop my birds, for this new animal I want to describe has not yet been classified. One should not slander the species by calling it a bird, even a Judas Bird—the betrayer. I want to call him a scientific bastard, but I'll have to go to my "big dictionary" and look that word up. Yes; I can do it: my "Standard" gives these definitions, (1) born out of wedlock, (2) not genuine, false, (3) resembling the genuine or actual in some degree, (4) abnormal in proportion or in some dimension, (5) a child neither born nor begotten in lawful wedlock. Just fits!

Now this bastard is not born in lawful wedlock. So far as I can recall no State Court ever declared that the practice of osteopathy is the practice of medicine. In several States, I know, they have tried to legitimize this bastard after he was born. Jove Andrew knew his own child and named him D. O. so he would not get confused with the M. D. breed.

No; I'm not talking about the hypenate D. O.-M. D. A double title or degree does not always signify bastard scientific principles. I have seen preachers turn lawyers and lawyers turn preachers. I saw a Jew turn protestant preacher—but he was man enough to get out of the Jewish synagogue. When he embraced the gentile faith—or maybe was kicked out. Oh! for some good strong legs in our State and National Associations. Or a little more manhood on the part of this scientific bastard.

My sympathy goes out to that helpless human who through no fault of its own must needs go through life with the stigma of bastard. But that miserable intellectual nincompoop who bastardizes himself through mental weakness or

pilfering greed—it takes a greater compassion than mine to forgive him.

I suffer every time one of these scientific bastards tells a patient that "osteopathy is all right, but you need a little medicine too." Then the bastard swells up in his pride of broader (?) osteopathy and glories that his superior wisdom has landed another convert for himself—but not for the principles of a science.

Yes; I've had cases that osteopathy did not cure, that got well afterwards under drug treatment. And I've sent hopeless cases from my standpoint to drug doctors. But I sent them in humility and mortification at the thought that my grasp of a principle was so puny that I fell down, not that the principle failed.

That's the difference between a bastard and a simon-pure. A bastard osteopath tries to prostitute principle to hide his own weakness, the simon-pure acknowledges his own weakness but honors and protects his principles. The bastard sets a limit to a universal principle, the simon-pure sees the limit to his own human skill and intelligence—but being a true D. O., "digs on."

That's what Jove Andrew said D. O. means, and I've never yet found Jove Andrew wrong. By giving to his child the environment and the nourishment of anatomy and physiology he prescribed, osteopathy will arrive at full manhood. And that image I'll try to limn in my next article.

MANHOOD IN OSTEOPATHY

Some D. O.'s have a holy terror lest the word osteopath come to mean to their public no more than "bone-setter," a specialist good only for some things. "Patient-puller" literature dope by Herald Angel and Soap-Bubble is the thing—nit.

Say, did you ever hear of that enterprising advertising agent down South, who, learning of the aspirations of a colored congregation to have hymn-books like the "white folks," offered to furnish the same if he were allowed to insert a few advertisements of his products? The hymnals arrived, and the pompous colored parson got up proudly to "line" hymn XLIV:

"Hark! the herald angels sing
"Beecham's pills are just the thing!
"Peace on earth, and mercy mild—
"Two for man and one for child."

That "patient-puller" literature may be a little less blatant—a little more adroit, but the flavor of the "pill" lingers there just the same. No 'literature' I have ever seen carries the force of the spoken word. There is no appeal in printed-for-profit explanations to equal

conviction and understanding, to equal a desire on the part of the D. O. to put in the mind of the patient a principle that, properly grasped, would mean physical salvation to millions.

Fifteen years ago the manager of a summer baseball team brought me a player who was out of business with a slip of the longer bicipital tendon. I had seen Jove Andrew fix one, so I did not write a lot of Latin for chloroform, oil of wintergreen, peppermint, etc. I just "found it, fixed it, and let it alone."

That ball player has become a prosperous farmer, and from "grassy branch," ten to twenty miles from my office comes to me between \$500 to a \$1000 work a year. And since I started this very article Allen has promised to run for the State legislature to help me in some legislation. Why? Because I used the other 29½ minutes of that half-hour I was not busy fifteen years ago to put that ball player before a skeleton and tell him the principles of Jove Andrew's system of therapy, what that principle meant to me, what it would mean to the world.

A big Chicago D. O. visited my office once for a whole week; he saw the Governor of my State and Farmer Allen's hired-man under my care. He rode around with me in my Blue Betsy auto where I saw from eight to fourteen bed-ridden cases every day; and I think he saw me make out one death certificate. He never saw a hypodermic needle, a prescription pad; and he never heard once, "osteopathy is all right but you need a little medicine, too."

And I have just paid my income tax on over \$10,000.

What has all this got to do with the manhood of Osteopathy? It has all to do with it. You can't improve the principles of Jove Andrew. You can do nothing but be a *man*, an honest, an intelligent man. All you can do with Jove Andrew's principles is to sow the seed of his understanding of disease in the minds of those with whom you come in contact. And I defy the most learned biologist on the Pacific Coast to sit down before a skeleton, give an honest, intelligent interpretation of Jove Andrew's principles, then write a prescription for the same patient, and still have that patient willing to sacrifice his time in a contest for a seat in the legislature where the environment of Jove Andrew's child may be kept wholesome and pure.

The manhood of Jove Andrew's child can be nothing more or less than what you D. O.'s make it. And you D. O.'s will react to your environment and training. Unless you carry around with

you in your heart of hearts an intelligent reverence for the principles you pretend to practice you can add nothing to the manhood of Osteopathy—even though you garner of shekels a rich harvest.

I am sure you will agree with me that the biggest man in osteopathy today is a little unassuming Scotchman in the "Loop" at Chicago. He works eight hours every day—and studies from four to ten more. One hundred men like him out of our six thousand would make a Gideon's band of unconquerable scientific prowess. Ask him what he thinks of b-r-o-a-d-e-r osteopathy, and he will show you his monkeys, his dogs, his case reports, his magnificent library—and if you know him quite well, as I do, you will see a set of his mouth behind that docked mustache as he replies, "To h—with it."

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Manhood will come to Osteopathy only when Osetopathy—not drugs and surgery—is put into *men*.

WOMEN TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting under the auspices of the women of Osteopathy will be one of the notable features of the Boston Convention. The session will be held in the great ballroom of the Copley-Plaza Hotel. The addresses on this occasion will be right up to the minute. Dr. Nellie W. Nelson will speak on "Our Future Line of Defense," and Dr. Fannie Carpenter of Chicago on "The Moral Challenge of the Times." This session is held under the auspices of the Women's Bureau of Public Health, Dr. Josephine L. Peirce of Lima, Ohio, chairman. This department in the A. O. A.

has made marvelous advance during its brief career and is setting a pace which it will be difficult for the men to follow, both regarding quality and quantity of educational work.

CONVENTION NOTICE

Pan-Hellenic Meeting

Members of all the Greek letter fraternities and sororities in the Osteopathic colleges will hold a joint meeting at the Boston Convention. All members of these organizations who are coming to the convention should communicate with Dr. Howard T. Crawford, 673 Boylston Street, Boston, local chairman of the Pan-Hellenic committee, which also includes Dr. Charles Hazzard of New York, Dr. J. H. Long of Delaware, Ohio; Dr. H. S. Bunting of Chicago, Dr. E. S. Merrill of Los Angeles, Dr. L. Mason Beaman of New York, Dr. A. S. Bean of Brooklyn, Dr. J. A. DeTinne of Brooklyn, Dr. I. C. Poole of Fall River and Dr. George W. Riley of New York.

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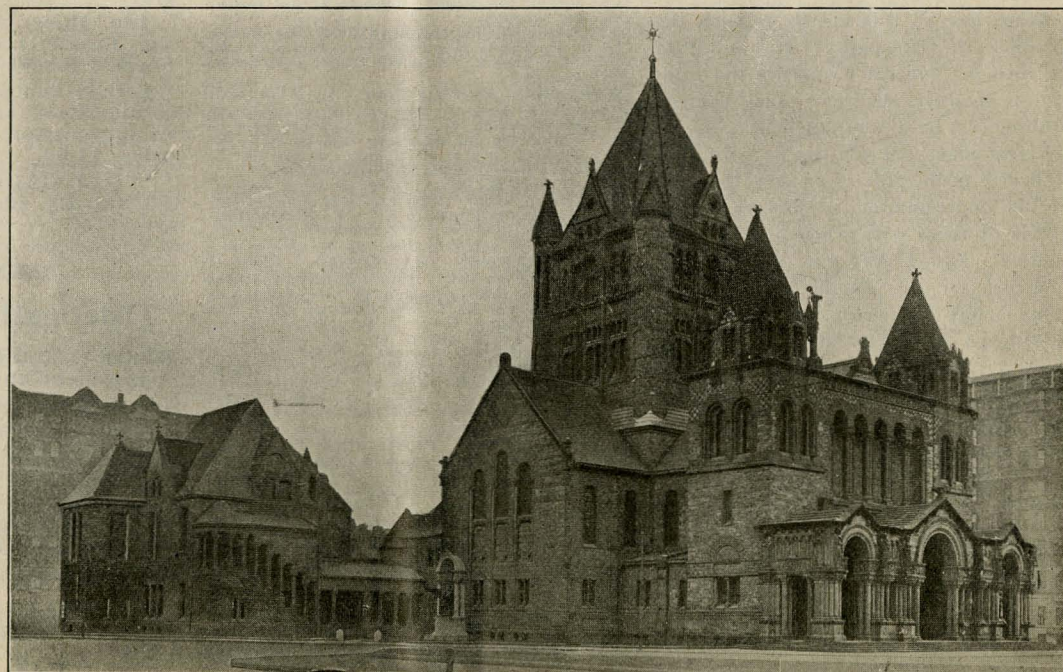
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SPECIFIC FOR PTOMAIN POISONING

By NELLIE B. C. DRINKALL, D. O.,
CHICAGO, ILL.

Since space in *OSTEOPATHIC TRUTH* is at a premium, I shall give only the facts as we have proven them by treating over thirty cases of ptomain, used in the sense of food poisoning.

You may be interested to know how this specific for the ptomain poisoning came to our knowledge, consequently I will explain at this time.

We had a patient ill from eating fish, the symptoms were the usual of vomiting, diarrhoea, extreme pain, and moderate temperature.

We treated her osteopathically and gave enemas to cleanse the bowels. She was in bed for two days, then she seemed better, and was obliged to be up and about. She would be fairly well when eating lightly, but the ordinary quantities of food would cause pain and diarrhoea. This continued for several weeks, and we racked our brains to find something to cure her.

Dr. Still had always told us that we would find every needed remedy in Nature, so we decided to try the fruits, using the acid fruits first. Lemons were used, the patient ate two raw lemons at one sitting, and the awful agony with pain and vomiting was pitiful to behold.

From these results we knew we were on the wrong track, and then went to the other extreme with the non-acid fruits, and had her eat three ripe pears (as it was in the pear season). She soon went to sleep and awakened later free from pain. In two hours we repeated with three more pears and so on until she had eaten one dozen. The pain was all gone in one day and the next day she was put on a milk diet, then to the regular diet, and she was entirely well from then on.

We have used the pear feeding for every case of even suspected ptomain poisoning since with never a failure. As yet we have not used it with infants, but we are going to experiment with the pear juice in the near future. It will give the desired effect with children old enough to chew food, and there are no after effects except those of normal health.

We have found that the people who have become susceptible to ptomain from having repeated attacks become almost immune by eating pears occasionally.

We have used the pear feeding with Osteopathic non-corrective and correct-

ive treatment with no enemas, for patients who were passing blood with the stools, and had them back to their work in two days.

The method we have adopted is to have the patient abstain from food, and eat two mellow pears with skins removed (if in season, if not, canned pears of the same amount) in two hours eat two more, and so on until a dozen have been consumed.

Usually one Osteopathic treatment is sufficient, with rest according to the severity of the case. Many patients are never off duty, if taken early. If there is severe vomiting, give smaller feeding of pears at a time, but keep feeding them, even if the first are regurgitated.

The deductions arrived at are that the putrefactive alkaloids of the ptomains are neutralized by the malic acid $C_4H_6O_5$ and other chemicals contained in the pear, and Nature soon completes a cure.

CONVENTION DAILY BULLETIN

One feature of the Boston convention will be the publication of a daily bulletin with Dr. George W. Reid of Worcester, Mass., as editor. The bulletin will contain all the happenings of the meeting and a complete record to be carried home as a basis for reporting to state or city societies.

The daily program, accounts of the work of all meetings will be given, the speakers appearing with quotations of strong points made, accounts of all society activities, fraternities, sororities, class reunions, luncheons, etc., a list of

all registrants, names of present and new officers of the A. O. A. and all other items of interest.

All officers of the A. O. A., and members appearing on the program are requested to bring along any small cuts of themselves they may have for the "Rogues Gallery," which will be a daily feature of the bulletin. For those not having a cut, an effort will be made to secure a thumb print at least.

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Intensive Osteopathy

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The request of the Assistant Editor of TRUTH for my views on the present crisis in our educational affairs finds me reluctant to reply. My reluctance arises, in the first place, from the fact that no one can possibly understand the present situation who is not reasonably familiar with the past twenty years of our history; and to explain that history now would involve an article the very length of which would prohibit its publication in your paper. The second cause of my reluctance comes from the fact that certain forces that have brought on the present so-called crisis come from the very nature of three personalities in our ranks, together with the satellites that have clustered around these three men. And of all the distasteful things to my mental make-up, a discussion of personalities is the most disgusting.

In the beginning of our history very few of our men were educated, fit to be leaders in the development of a new science; and even our students were drawn from a class that were attracted more by the "easy money" possible to earn than by any reverence for the truths of our science. What graduates in the field were earning—sums fabulously large and miraculously enlarged by the telling—was the chief bait held out by those in charge of our schools, and the subject of endless discussion by the student body. Mercenary motives to study combined with a mercenary inculcation of reverence for a man as founder of a certain "money-mill" institution provided the rock upon which we have foundered.

I almost said "hopelessly foundered." But I am not willing to admit that our cause is hopeless, however dark may be this hour. Our rescue depends upon ourselves, and the only life-boat in sight is the truth of Dr. Still's teaching that the body when carefully adjusted will manufacture its own necessary chemical compounds.

State laws not requiring and enforcing a knowledge of this principle, courses in our colleges that may lead the inefficient to use other means, are but paralyzing toxins in our system.

That student who thinks he is a narrow specialist if he cannot administer drugs and perform surgical operations is a misfit and a fool in our ranks. For the "narrow specialist" is the man who cannot reason out Osteopathic etiology and apply the therapy of our principles of mechanical adjustment.

Intensive Osteopathy means an extensive practice of principles; while an extensive therapy including drugs must inevitably result in a narrowed field of Osteopathic practice. Surgery has no place in an Osteopathic practice, no place in drug practice. It is a field separate and apart in its application and should be so taught in all schools and so recognized by all laws.

To teach these truths and to enforce laws favorable to our development we must have endowed colleges in charge of the profession and not dividend-payers run by individuals, combined with independent Osteopathic boards in every State.

Compromise legislation accepted for the granted privilege of using drugs, together with composite boards, have put us in a bad light in the public mind. If you do not believe this, just read the "Report on Medical Education" by Commissioner Hodgins of Canada.

As a profession, then, we must realize:

- (1) That an extensive therapy means a limited practice of Osteopathy.
- (2) That intensive Osteopathy means an extensive and extending application of our principles.
- (3) That the day of the "money-mill" school has passed, whatever may have been its function and necessity in our early history.
- (4) That the profession as a whole, and not an individual or even a group of dominating personalities in a city or State must control our education.
- (5) That, under such circumstances, our schools must be endowed.

RELATIVE VALUES IN LEGISLATION

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One of the greatest demands of today is for Osteopaths; Osteopaths skilled in the practice of Osteopathy as Dr. Still taught and practiced it—manipulative experts—skilled body mechanics who know how to adjust the structures to their right relations with each other with the least possible friction, jar, and discomfort to the patient. I could place twenty such practitioners immediately within the range of my own personal knowledge of local conditions and they could do a fine work in a humanity benefiting way and incidentally gain a reasonable competency for their work. There are such places for some thousands of such Osteopaths in the U. S. A. If today we had them filled; had, say twice as many as we now have of real Osteopaths, the problem of getting fair laws under friendly administration would be a comparatively simple one. Also the pseudo Osteopaths, "Chiros" and others variously named, would practically not be. One potent reason for their existence is that the field for A. T. Still Osteopathic service is so far short of being filled. Shrewd business heads saw this years ago and the "Chiro" was manufactured in quantities on short notice. With his crude, sub-standard Osteopathy, more or less brutally applied and blatantly heralded, he fattens financially.

Occasionally they get good results for there are such great possibilities in A. T. Still Osteopathy that even when it is crudely applied benefit may often result; but the baneful result of the "Chiros" practice with his frequent injuring of patients and his ignorantly, blatant, impossible claims, is the degrading and cheapening of the Osteop-

athic principle before the world, so much so as to jeopardize independent regulation. The Osteopath demanded by the public need know practically nothing of Materia Medica, Drug Therapeutics and Prescription writing, in fact, the demand for them doesn't even ask for them to be minor surgeons to say nothing of major surgeons. Now I would not be misunderstood and give the impression that I think it is not all right for Osteopaths to practice minor surgery—also I do think that here and there an Osteopathic major surgeon would be all right—only here and there though, not every Tom, Dick and Harry who practices Osteopathy. That's a poor scheme in the medical ranks and has cost them much in prestige and the confidence of the public, and it would us.

What I want to convey is that everything is incidental to the practice of such practice as Dr. Still practiced.

A few days ago, in burning up some old sorted letters, I burned one hundred and twenty-five inquiries for Osteopaths which I had received in the past eight years. In every case an expert bodily mechanic, one who practiced only what Dr. Still did, would have filled the bill.

Now, what has all this to do with legislation?

Simply this, that the thing that the public demands and that Dr. Still's real followers alone can supply must not be sacrificed to gain incidental privileges—even though some of them are privileges that we should justly have and which it is sometimes a real embarrassment for us not to have; but they are all incidental—incidental to that Osteopathy, that manipulative adjustment of bodily structure which Dr. Still practiced.

Some years ago in a number of states there were those of our people who were practicing under state regulations which allowed them to practice Osteopathy as Dr. Still practiced it; but they wanted all the incidentals too, and they became so obsessed with the idea that they must have them—"unlimited privileges"—that to get them they even sought regulation which required of our colleges medical standards. To meet such our colleges must even have classes in Materia Medica, Pharmacology and Prescription writing and besides preparing their students to pass medically toned examinations of medical men they must meet standards purposely placed artificially high to cut down student attendance that an overcrowded medical profession be allowed to thin out. We have something that there is a crying, unsupplied demand for that we are no

ways near filling, but, bless our hearts, we'd break our necks to get into the field that is so crowded that these indicated, drastic measures have been taken to reduce the congestion.

Let us by all means, at such times as good judgment indicates, seek wherever possible to remove unfair, hampering restrictions, restrictions which keep us from practicing the incidentals. Unlimited drug-doping privilege, though, I don't, of course, regard as a legitimate incidental.

"Hollering," for that makes me think of the man who yells personal liberty to get his booze. Drugs are the fins with which an Osteopathic sucker propels himself backwards.

But, to get to practice even the legitimate incidentals let us not throw away regulation insuring opportunity for the fundamental practice. Regulation dominated or strongly influenced by our own people who are interested in Osteopathy and will not see student cutting school, throttling standards set up. Where we have such regulation, let's seek the privileges *under such regulation*, not give it away to get the privileges.

I know a fellow who mortgaged his house a few years ago to buy an auto. Now the auto is worn out and the mortgage is foreclosed.

That will be our professional condition a few years hence, if those of us here now sacrifice everything for "unlimited privileges." We will soon wear out and the mortgage will be foreclosed on the Osteopathic profession by either making their colleges medical or closing them.

Some of our people, I know, think I am a crank on this. Well, after ten years on the legislative job, I am going to quit more convinced than ever. I believe sincerely that there are very few Osteopaths in the profession, had they been similarly placed; placed where they would see what was happening at every point under all sorts of regula-

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tion; see the total results under each arrangement of regulation; but that would be day in and day out in favor of our maintaining the greatest possible measure of professional independence in regulation. I think the measure of independent regulation that we have had has been the salvation of our profession as an independent profession. Both the Homeopaths and Eclectics have often voiced such as to us in their journals.



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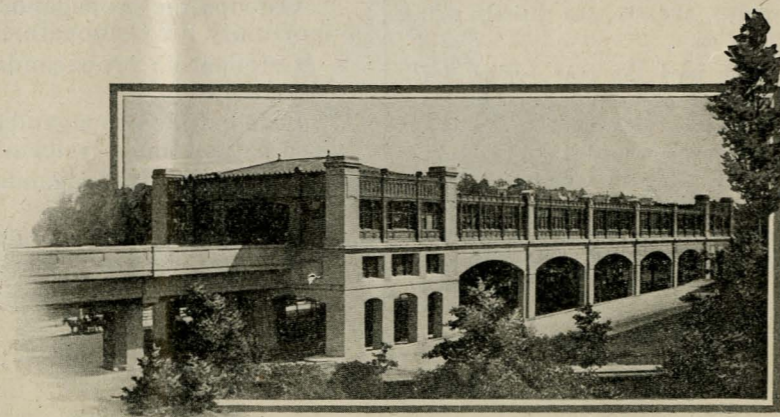
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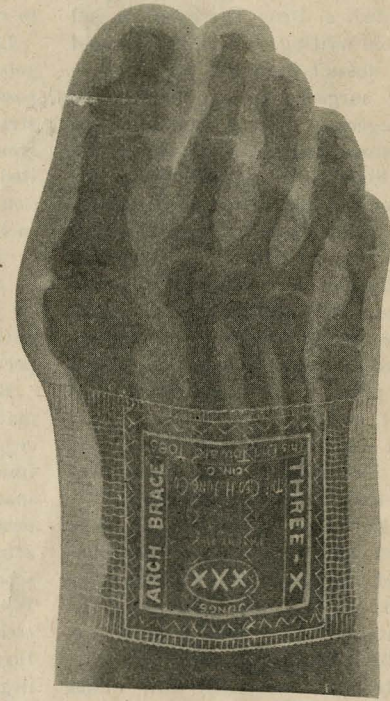


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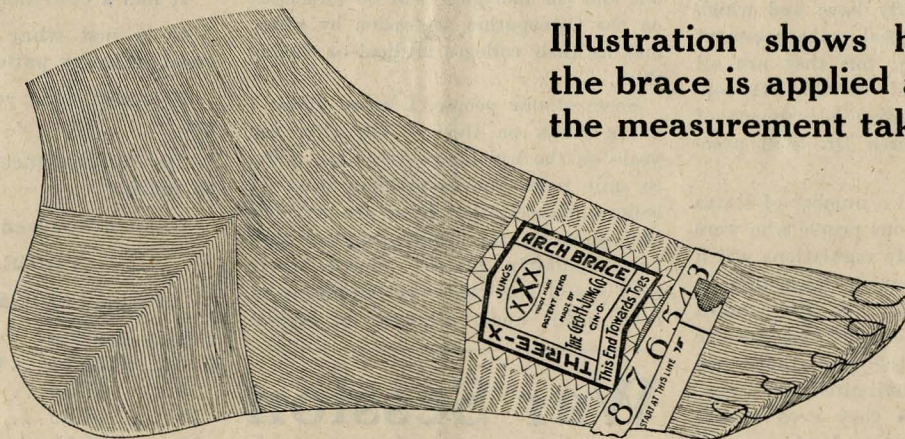


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