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The Mormon State Becomes Osteopathic Country

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New Idaho Law Almost Surprises Ourselves

Idaho has taken her place in the limelight of proud osteopathic states. A good law creating an independent osteopathic board was introduced early in the session and was promptly signed by the governor. In some respects, achieving this constitutes one of the most unique and surprising victories in osteopathic annals.

We will give you the story as it comes hot from Dr. E. G. Houseman, Nampa, Idaho:

"Well, you want to know of our fight...It was not much of a fight. More like taking candy away from babies. But we think we can see the reason for it for there was a reason. The M. D.'s have never been entirely free from them. Perhaps the spirit did it. This was the morning our bill was up for second reading."

The M. D.'s held their convention after the legislature had convened but as the osteopaths did not seem to want to do anything themselves, they did not want to do it for us.

"The second day after their convention had adjourned our bill was introduced. We got four of the most influential men in both houses together with the attorney-general and United States Senator Bara to get busy before the bill was introduced and start a missionary campaign for us. We gave them a course in osteopathy while-you-wait so that they knew what they were talking about, and they went at it to convince the doubting Thomases that it was a wonderful system and ought to be protected.

"We stayed away from the State House at all times. I do not think a dozen of the legislators knew for sure that we osteopaths were really behind it. Of course we were loaded for emergencies but nearly all the work was done by these friends. We did a little educational work among individuals when they came desiring information.

"We had the lobby bill before our bill came up so the medics were shut off, as well as ourselves, although the galleries were never entirely free from them.

"Our bill passed reading in the House with one dissenting vote. The third reading with eight dissenting votes and the Senate unanimously. There was but one M. D. in the Senate and to our surprise he proved to be one of the best friends we had. I think his speech secured the unanimous vote in the Senate.

"A bill of some kind was introduced by the medics but it was never printed and I have never been able to what it was. This state has always been a hard one to get medical legislation in on account of the Mormons, but this time things went as if the axles were greased. When it was all over we were so surprised, ourselves, that we had to talk of a great deal. The M. D.'s held up the governor's appointments of the members of the medical board they were forced to recede, and the medical bill was amended so as to contain a provision allowing two osteopaths to be appointed on it. This settled the difficulty and the governor signed the bill."

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NEBRASKA CONSIDERS A NEW BILL.

Nebraska is also considering a new osteopathic bill. About the first of March there was a bill introduced in the Senate as Number 904 to create a board of osteopaths at no expense to the state. Dr. Wilson, of Pawnee, an M. D., led in the defense of this bill when it was attacked. He pointed out that osteopaths had been permitted to practice in the state, but on account of existing circumstances could never have any representation in the board that assessed them for licenses and he said that they ought to have a board of their own to represent them. Then followed one of the most amusing and hilarious exposures of ignorance and prejudice ever witnessed in the house. Mr. Dodson, of Crete, opposed the bill and said in part that "osteopathy was instigated at the town of Kirksville by a broken down old horse doctor." Mr. Olinich, of Butler, also turned in some of his fine sarcasm against the bill and said that osteopathy did not deserve the name of science, to his thinking it was a "catch-phrase with this refined and skillful opposition, however, by a vote of fifteen to ten the bill was recommended for passage.

It provides that a board comprising state officers shall appoint a board of five examiners, who shall accept for their service the fees fixed by the board. The fees are to be equal and the examiners shall receive.
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North Carolina Creates an Osteopathic Board

THE latest victory to be reported for the osteopathic host is from the state of North Carolina, where we now have an independent law giving us our own board of examiners. Secretary A. H. Zealy wrote us March 6:

"North Carolina is one of the states that now has an independent board of examination and registration. Our bill passed the senate to-night at 9:30 by unanimous vote, having passed the house several days ago. It seems to be entirely sure that the governor will sign the bill. A big write-up of the victory will follow for The Osteopathic Physician just as soon as we get through rejoicing.

This is surely good news and it begins to look like a year of great osteopathic victories. What state will respond next? Pennsylvania—what's doing?

Looks Like a Law Has Been Won in Texas, Too

TEXAS' solons have passed a good "joint medical bill" establishing a composite board made up of all schools, two members of which are to be osteopaths and no school being allowed a majority of the board.

Whether his excellency the governor of Texas signed this bill or not, as was confidently expected he would, could not be learned by us up to going to press. We'll wager a ducat he did. They say, however, the Christian Scientists were very active against it.

If this program worked out according to Hoyle and the osteopathic legislative committee of Texas—Drs. J. F. Bailey, Maurice B. Harris and Thomas L. Ray—another proud commonwealth flies the flag of A. T. still—and in more ways than one it's the biggest and best state in the union. The editor has a right to whoop for Texas, as he was born under the Lone Star.

"At the beginning of the session of legislation in Texas," writes Dr. J. F. Bailey, "there was introduced into both houses the bill known as the General Practice act, by the State Medical Association of Texas, which provided for a board of eleven men to the exclusion of almost all other branches of the profession, and, in due season, the bill to regulate the practice of osteopathy was also introduced. But, with a discussion before the senate committee judiciary No. 2 and before the committee of public health in the house, it became known to us that said committee had already been made to suit the action. So with only an opportunity to bring in the data and get a small minority report, it became our duty to do the best for the profession that we could.

"In so doing there was a compromise effected between the different schools by which the law is modified to recognize each school in operation in Texas that supports a legal and a credited association. The bill was amended by the senate and passed the house afterwards without further amendments.

"Section one, which affects us most, and section six provide that a board of medical examiners for the state of Texas is hereby established; said board shall consist of eleven men, learned in medicine, legal and active practitioners in the state of Texas, who shall have resided and practiced medicine in this state under a diploma from a legal and reputable college of medicine of the school to which said practitioners shall belong for more than three years prior to their appointment; and no one school shall have a majority representation on said board; said board shall be appointed by the governor of this state within ninety days after his inauguration, and the term of office of its members shall be two years or until their successor shall be appointed and qualified.

"Each regular organized state association of practicing physicians that comes under this act shall furnish the governor ten names from each such practicing physicians, from whom
the appointment of this board shall be selected; the word medicine as used in this section shall have the same meaning and scope as given to it in section 13 of this act.

"To make it more definite and explanatory, I will quote to you section 13: 'Any person shall be regarded as practicing medicine within the meaning of this act who shall publicly profess to be a physician or surgeon or shall treat or offer to treat any disease, mental or physical deformities, or injuries by any system or method, or to effect cures thereof and charge therefor directly or indirectly money or other compensation.'

"Now section six, as amended in the senate and passed without amendment in the house, reads like this in part: 'Within one year after passage of this act all legalized practitioners of medicine in this state who are practicing under the provision by previous laws or under diplomas of a reputable and legal college of medicine, who have not already received licenses from a state medical examining board of this state, shall present to the board of medical examiners for the state of Texas documents or legal certified transcripts of documents sufficient to establish the existence and validity of such diploma or of the valid and existing licences herefore issued by previous examining boards of this state or exemption under any law, and shall receive from said board verification licences.'

"The bill also provides that on the subjects of materia medica no school shall prevail and the examination is conducted purely upon the branches of scientific medicine only.'"

**It is S. D. and Not N. D. That Got a New Board**

SOUTH DAKOTA has secured a straight out osteopathic law and its own board of examination and registration. It was an error in our last edition which stated that it was North Dakota that had achieved this fine victory. A letter from Dr. S. W. Heath, secretary of the South Dakota Osteopathic Association, on March 13 makes this correction as follows:

"Your geographical anatomy needs adjustment, Mr. O. P., when you state North Dakota has created an osteopathic board in bold head lines, when you also mention Pierre and Sioux Falls both in the same article. We are not willing to have our great victory credited to another sister state, however much good we may wish her.

**Osteopathy is to be Recognized in New York**

THE last news we got from New York was March 21st, when the Associated Press telegraphed us that the late Mr. H. H. Pirro, of Kansas City, Mo., who had been the most prominent osteopathic bill in the city of New York, has been temporarily sidetrackcd the medical committee had amended the medical school bill and in so doing it has been included the osteopathic that and that our people are satisfied with this status and arrangement. Whether this is exactly true or not we have not been advised by our generals on the battlefield. If anything went wrong with this arrangement the Him- man bill was to be called out of hiding and pushed again.—The Binghamton Herald said on the above date:

"A year ago Senator H. D. Hinman had the honor of passing an osteopathy bill, but unless something happens this will not be the case this year, as his bill had been temporarily abandoned in the senate health committee.

"For years the osteopaths of the state have been fighting for recognition, but their efforts have always proved unavailing. Last year Senator Hinman took the osteopathy bill and passed it in the senate, but it did not meet with such good success in the assembly and it died.

"This year Senator Hinman again took the bill, and, after a public hearing, had about persuaded the committee to report it again, while the assembly health committee amended the Whitney medical unification bill so as to include the osteopaths. As originally drawn the bill abolished the three medical boards now consolidated into the eclectic, homeopathic and allopathic schools of medicine under one board. The bill was then amended to include osteopaths and the latter are now satisfied and are willing to abide by the amended Whitney bill.

"The Ham-Himman osteopathy bill will be held in abeyance in committee, until final action is taken on the amended Whitney bill, and if it is defeated or lost in the shuffle the osteopathy bill will be dug up and pushed."

"The conclusion of peace with our forces was told as follows in the Buffalo Commercial:

"At a conference begun last night which will be continued tonight, it was decided to end the long fight of the osteopaths for recognition in this state and let them in under the single medical board bill which the state department of education prepared this year and which is before the public health committee.

"At the conference last evening, which was attended by Speaker Wadsworth, Leader Moreland, Assemblyman Ham and F. G. Whitney and Deputy Superintendent of Education Rogers, it was determined to so amend the bill to create a single state medical board that it shall recognize the osteopaths now in the state and provide for the future recognition of other osteopaths, when their schools are properly qualified and licensed by the regents. This decision was precipitated by a recent decision of the courts that practice of the healing art in any of its branches constitutes a legal practice of medicine, even if no drugs are administered in such practice; and this is practically what was included in the terms of the single board bill, there seemed to be no way left but to admit the osteopaths."

"The Brooklyn Eagle reported the situation as follows:

"The assembly committee on public health to-day reported favorably a committee bill as a substitute for the medical unity bill, in

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which osteopaths are recognized and provided for. Except for the provisions regarding the practice of osteopathy, the bill is identical with the medical unity bill. “Although the new bill does not put osteopaths on precisely the same footing as regular physicians, they are regarded by the profession as a victory and leading members of the profession expressed themselves as greatly pleased with the result so far attained.” The bill provides that osteopaths now practicing in the state may apply to the board of regents within six months and upon satisfying the board that they have attended a recognized school of osteopathy and have had a course of not less than three years, may obtain a license to practice osteopathy. The bill empowers the board of regents to issue a license to practice osteopathy to any applicant who shall be actively engaged in the practice of osteopathy on the date of the passage of this act, and the osteopathic appeal for justice. We learn that this publication accomplished an immense amount of good and had the effect of making a number of newspapers take an interest in our cause, which up to this time had been quite apathetic.

Another publication is being circulated by Dr. Riley by the thousand also, entitled: “Arguments in favor of the Osteopathic Bill and against the Mendaunity Bill at the hearing before the public health committee of the senate and assembly, Feb. 7th, at Albany, N. Y.” Also it contains the osteopathic arguments made by the Medical Unity Bill at the hearing before the same committee Feb. 21.

This little pamphlet is very meaty and is full of real arguments. “The outlook is growing better every day,” writes Dr. Riley. “Our bill was reported out of the senate public health committee Thurs-day, March 7th. The metropolitan press is beginning to soften somewhat and give us space. We feel that we are making the fight of our lives and are very hopeful of ultimate success.”

We are lucky in this fight in having the cooperation of the homeopathists and the eclec-tists in opposition to the Medical Unity Bill, and it would look black indeed if at this critical juncture, our forces were fighting the combined medical profession in order to protect its own existence. The state of New York, and we have much cause to congratulate ourselves that at such a critical hour the three other medical schools are also fighting among them-selves and the two wings of the three are with us.

The Evening World of March 5th printed two-thirds of a column entitled “Trying to Prohibit Osteopathy by Law.” Leading physicians of that school present their protests against the actions of the allopathic doctors at Albany. “Dr. Geo. W. Riley, secretary of the New York State Osteopathic Association, has also been very generous to our cause in giving us space. We hope to have more definite and good new in our next issue regarding the New York situation.”

MONTANA is again talking osteopathy with a vengeance. Senate bill No. 149 gives a legis-lative status for osteopaths and provides for a state board of examination and registration. A hearing on this bill was given by the committee of “miscellaneous business.” It called together about fifty D. O.’s, who were repre-sented by former Judge Howard L. Carroll, of Camden, our spokesman, and the medical opposition had a hearing on the 12th. The osteopathic bill was introduced by Senator Brown, of Monmouth. Let us hope that our valiant fighters of New Jersey will have the long-delayed success that is due them before the adjournment of this session.

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PENNSYLVANIA HAS PROSPERITIES.

The Wickesher bill pushed by our osteopaths for a separate board of examination and registration was reported out of the commit-tee with favorable recommendation. It is be-lieved that this bill has a good chance of be-coming a law. The Pennsylvania legislature is also fair and generous in references to the osteopaths’ efforts to get recognition and they say that we bid fair to win this contest.

One by Dr. Katherine Van Velzer.

Q.—Why is an osteopath like a royalist Frenchman?

A.—Both go after the Bona-part.
Peace and Co-operation Come to Chicago and Illinois

After five years the division, with no particular bad feeling existing and yet no harmony, the two sides of the profession began to realize that the merging of the two osteopathic societies and factions of Chicago have at last gotten together and are one! This issue will come as joyful news to the entire profession.

Following, as it does, close on the heels of raising the flag of harmony and waving the olive branch of peace over the whole osteopathic camp in California, it is a helpful and a hopeful sign of the times. The wave of unity seems to be rolling steadily onward and eastward. No better news could come to the professions from legislative halls than that this wave of unity should roll forward until it sweeps over Boston and if, by hook or crook, our two opposing factions in that city could get together and stand on a united platform, the profession would indeed feel that its cup of joy was running over.

We are pleased to report that this harmonizing of divergent factions in the profession at various places throughout the Union is a more important work to the profession and the science of osteopathy now than ever the enactment of new laws in individual states. It may not seem so to those who are fighting for much needed legislation but as a matter of fact it is, for with a united party the osteopathic profession can secure just laws promptly in every state of the Union.

Unity is the beginning of the end of osteopathic prevalence. Our cause cannot accommodate the success that is due it until we do stand shoulder to shoulder and fight as one man.

The Chicago Osteopathic Society and a committee from the Chicago and Cook County Society met on the night of March 28 at room 702 Champlain Building. Preliminary meetings tending to reach a full understanding and develop unity of purpose and complete sympathy between the two societies have been in progress in Chicago, as stated in the Osteopathic Physician during the past two months. This meeting was the conclusion of the merger. The Chicago and Cook County Society committee which attended this meeting comprised Dr. H. H. Fryatt, Dr. H. P. Littlejohn, Dr. Morris Lychenheim, Dr. W. Burr Allen and Dr. W. F. Elfrinke.

The weather on the night of our meeting was very stormy, but notwithstanding the heavy rain there was a fair attendance. In the absence of President Melvin of the Chicago Society, Dr. Fred W. Gage presided.

Speeches on the desirability and practicability and benefits of amalgamating the two societies were made by Dr. Littlejohn, Dr. Fryatt, Dr. Lychenheim, Dr. Joseph H. Sullivan, Dr. Alfred W. Young, Dr. A. J. Goodspeed, J. K. McDougall and others. It had been agreed on both sides in meetings of the two societies and in the pow-wows of joint committees that everybody wanted to get together, but as a last formality of completing this task a total lack of hold and the thing discussed again rather fully. This meeting resulted in establishing to the satisfaction of both parties the understanding required and complete and that the merger was wanted.

Consequently, a vote to formally conclude the merger, which was made by Dr. E. R. Proctor, president of the Chicago Osteopathic Society, was then called for an appointment of two members from each of the societies to draft a proper constitution and by-laws and recommend whether the new society should operate under a charter and suggest other details that are required to usher in the new condition.

It is agreed that the new society shall be called the Chicago Osteopathic Society and there is a likelihood that the charter of the Chicago and Cook County Association may be used by the new society, having been amended to fit the name of the new organization.

Thus passes into history a five-year story of disagreements and some little ill-will and bad feeling among the brothers and sisters of our cause in Chicago. At no time, however, has this want of harmony among Chicago osteopaths developed into any very serious outburst or open warfare, as many osteopaths outside of the city and state seemed to imagine.

A disconcerting feature of this late disagreement was not so much that it precipitated any pitched battles but that it kept the profession in Chicago from having and enjoying one of the best city societies in the profession, and it likewise resulted in divided legislative programs—which always costs us success when we are willing to go to Springfield to ask an osteopathic statute.

This means that in the future no osteopath in Illinois will operate individually at Springfield to settle legislative matters but the voices of the majority will prevail in whatever is decided upon as to a law and whether such a program meets with the individual ideas and wishes of every osteopath in the state or not. It is not certain that the program will oppose the united program—whatever that may be. And what is equally as important, no individuals or coteries who have standing with the profession in the state will offer independent osteopathic bills to the legislature in competition with whatever bill is being urged by the joint profession.

There can be no doubt that a multiplicity of bills, when emanating from different interests and sources within our profession and having different purposes are not, confusingly, out of harmony with legislatures but have a tendency to discourage the doctors who represent and boost our cause, and they do not gain sympathy from our cause and in the end tend to confuse counsels and precipitate a rout. It is a different thing, of course, when a united program introduces a second bill for a different purpose which is well understood by all our fighters, but when two or three different bills are fighting their way independently under whose auspices each of which would put the osteopaths of the state on a different basis—everybody is apt to get discouraged and disheartened.

Consequently, the main outstanding benefit of the new year of harmony in Illinois, it is expected, will be immediately felt by uniting our two opposing factions as has been reported, and to be licensed, he must be recommended by this society to the state instead of by several schools or societies. This is the present situation. It is supposed that the state association will know the school from which an applicant has graduated and his reputation for decency, and will be the fit body to pass upon such matters in the interests of the profession in the state.

It is agreed that the bill as amended was up for second reading on the 28th of March and all are hopeful that it has a fair chance for prevalence. This is the session of the legislature where osteopathy has developed numerous friends from unexpected sources.

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to the committee than the committee reported their bill out by unanimous vote for the first time in the history of our profession in Illinois. Special mention was made of this by the committee by way of complimenting our practitioners on their unity of purpose and program. So it pays to get together. The profession throughout the United States will watch with interest the developments in the Illinois legislature during April.

Philadelphia Osteopaths ' Open a Free Dispensary

There will be but one class a year; next class begins September 17th, 1907.
which the patient has not always recovered and other doctors have been called in as a last resort.

Another charge of Miss Zimmerman is to the effect that in the college work students draw lots to secure places at the clinic tables, and that those who are unfortunate in the game of chance are given diplomas without having had actual experience in the work.

The Des Moines Register of March 12, printed this story following up the affair:

**Osteopaths Take Action.**

At a meeting held in the offices of Drs. E. C. Bond and D. B. Caldwell in the Flynn block last evening the Polk County Osteopathic Association adopted the following resolution with reference to the prosecutions instituted by an association of allopathic physicians against Drs. Stevens, Fainting and Strum for alleged illegal practice:

Be it Resolved by the Polk County Osteopathic Association, That we are in hearty accord with the action taken by the Physicians' Commercial League in prosecuting osteopaths who are practicing illegally and that we take this occasion of stating that similar action has been contemplated by this body for some time. Consequently we stand ready to offer any assistance in our power to further the enforcing of the law.

**An Explanation of Earlier Events.**

It is only fair to the defendant osteopaths and Still college to surmise that the prosecution witnesses, Miss Zimmermann, is evidently satisfying a deep-seated grudge in this matter, rather than upholding the majesty of the law, as some weeks ago she had a violent conflict with the college as a result of trying to get some tuition money rebated which she alleged was due her. The affair led to blows—at least, the newspapers said the young woman walked into Manager Rummell's office and jumped on him with the intent of giving him a trouncing. Then she sued for damages, etc., as nearly as we recollect the newspaper talk. We purposely gave no publicity to this sensation last month, supposing it was merely a manifestation of "brain storm" and not being advised about the merits of the case. The above developments indicate that Miss Zimmerman is still out for vengeance. What the merits of the whole situation are on either side have no knowledge, but we trust the developments will not be embarrassing to Still college.

**Refuses Medicine: Absolves Osteopath From Blame.**

Albert Marshall, auditor for the Rothert stores, and secretary of the Rothert estate, now lying critically ill at 100 South Grand avenue, unable to get admitted to a hospital because of his refusal to take medicine, has dictated to Alderman Zinn a sworn statement absolving Dr. Rachel E. Walker, an osteopathic physician, of East Market street, says the York (Pa.) Gazette, of March 9th. He is suffering from double pneumonia and having been formerly treated by osteopaths he had learned to have great faith in their method. Accordingly he came to York for treatment, preferring to be treated by the woman osteopath who would be both doctor and nurse. It is said that he was near to death when he arrived in this city the other day, but is now considerably improved. This remarkable statement is, viz:

To Whom It May Concern: Having full confidence in osteopathic treatment when competently performed and full confidence in Miss Rachel E. Walker, and, although critically ill, being of sound and reasoning mind, I hereby declare that I journeyed to York, Pa. to have said Miss Walker's professional treatment and attention. I want all her directions and orders strictly observed and obeyed with no interference from any other person whatsoever. I have all and every confidence in her, both individually and as a practitioner.
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1907 YEAR BOOK IS OUT.

We were pleased to receive a copy of The Osteopathic Directory for 1907 March 29th just as we were closing forms for this edition, but we will make space sufficient to express our pleasure at its appearance and tender congratulations to Dr. R. E. Hamilton, the editor, for a hard job apparently well done.

Dr. Hamilton's year book certainly looks good to us. It is a volume of about 160 pages and in size, style and arrangement follows somewhat closely after the model of the directory published by The O. P. Company last year. Taking it all in all, it shows up most credibly and we have to congratulate Dr. Hamilton upon the completion of his hard labor and the good appearance that his enterprise makes on paper.

Of course, we have had no opportunity whatsoever to examine the year book critically, with a view to determining how accurate and up-to-date it may be as a directory, but we are willing to take that on faith, and we believe that Dr. Hamilton has fully sustained the standard set by us last year and we hope that, with the added facilities he enjoyed to commence his task on, that he has even been able to surpass a considerable degree our effort last year.

There is one original feature in the year book that we wish to compliment very highly. Dr. Hamilton has in his geographical directory of osteopaths introduced the unique feature of giving the population of states and cities in conjunction with their names. This will be a very helpful feature to the osteopath wishing to change his location or the new graduate just ready to enter practice. It will show at a glance the relation between population and the number of osteopathic physicians who are located in each field. The idea is a good one and makes this year book doubly valuable.

Some of our practitioners may have been a little restless over the delay in issuing the year book, but those who know what a stupendous task it is to do this job properly will feel that Editor Hamilton has made just as good time as it was possible, undertaking the job as he did for the first time this year so late in the summer. Should he retain the trust of compiling this directory for the profession permanently and with the system that he must have created to do this work the past year, it will be comparatively easy for him to bring out the next year book promptly on January 1st.

What is more, we believe that Dr. Hamilton has earned the right to retain this commission just as long as he wishes to do it and will turn out a job as good as the 1907 edition appears to be. As we stated some months ago, we believe it would be a mistake for the trustees of the A. O. A. to again wait until the year is two-thirds gone, when they will convene at the summer meeting of the A. O. A. to make arrangements for publishing the next volume. Unless the association is content to have this book appear every year about the first of April, steps should be taken by the trustees now to authorize Dr. Hamilton to carry his work right on without letting a single wheel come to a stand-still, for regular
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THE ENDOWMENT FUND.

WITH the good beginning made at Put-in-Bay last August, and the subsequent work done by the regents and trustees, the Osteopathic Postgraduate College seems to take actual form. All that is needed from now on is for the profession to take a live interest in the matter and push it along. Money is the paramount issue at present in order to carry this great work to a successful finish.

A great opportunity confronts the osteopathic profession to demonstrate to the doubting public our sincerity and confidence in our chosen work. If we push this matter to a successful termination and establish a college on a solid financial basis for the purpose of demonstrating to the world through actual physiological experiments the truth of the osteopathic lesion, we have done all that is necessary to perpetuate our school of therapeutics, and each and every one who gives actual support to this movement may credit himself or herself as having assisted the people of this world to come a step higher in the recognition of truth. The day is surely coming when the pioneers in this movement will look back on the present formative period of osteopathic history with a glow of pride.

Everybody now in practice will be given an opportunity to be classed as one of these pioneers. So, fellow practitioners, come into the procession when the finance committee is heard from, that you may look back on the present at the sunset of life with the satisfaction that you put your shoulder to the wheel of progress at the proper time.

"10! TRIUMPH!" SHOUT THE OSTEOPATHS.

VERILY, verily, the winter and spring of 1907 have been a time of victories for the science of osteopathy. Out of the turmoil of battle in almost every direction comes the glad shout of victory and almost within the brief span of one month legislators have run up the standard of osteopathy to the head of states from ocean to ocean and from Canadian borders to the Rio Grande. West Virginia, Wyoming, Texas, Idaho and Oregon—perhaps others by this time—all are new strongholds added to the osteopathic kingdom! Surely that is a wonderful record for a few brief weeks. Doctor Hildreth, our old-time lobbyist, must fairly walk in his sleep for joy at these achievements.

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Not only that, but Montana and California, two old states of ours, have revived their osteopathic laws within the month to give our practitioners additional standing and advantages.

And it is possible that the news of victory will not end within our own borders. In the throns of a fight that promises osteopathic success in a satisfactory measure. It will be recalled that the osteopaths of that state were only kept from realizing their own law last session by the governor’s veto.

Even in New York state, where the controversy is at present, all is not gloom. There is strong hope proportional to the strong necessity that exists that our cause should succeed. Our valiant men in the state are working as never before, spurred on by the very necessities of the case, for it is now well recognized as a case of live or die.

We cannot believe that the law-makers of the great state of New York will consent for one minute to refuse legislation to a worthy class of educated practitioners, such as our osteopaths are, and who will be discriminated against and driven out of the state by the M.D.’s, unless our practice is put upon a firm basis by an independent committee or else given representation on the medical board. Should New York and Pennsylvania osteopaths happily both score a victory in which the present struggles are over, this year will have proven to yield the most phenomenal series of osteopathic victories that have ever been recorded.

We give the details of these various struggles in separate stories.

LOS ANGELES COLLEGE EARS A TRIBUTE FOR UPHELD STANDARDS.

TIME shows a softening of acrimonious opinion and usually gives contestants in any struggle a juster opinion of the ambitions and qualities of their antagonists. The result is not infrequently—and indeed, it is almost usual—to make men on both sides of earnest struggles realize that the men of the other side were actuated by just as good motives as themselves. The lesson is learned over and over in life that just because men differ neither side needs to be knaves, and each side usually does what the other side would do, were situations reversed. These realizations have to be learned over again and again, and as the profession’s experience in school and legislative battles is greater, we hope that recent antagonisms and prejudices will be entirely forgotten and that the profession’s various elements and interests in old California will grow cordial in mutual respect, sympathy and regard until old antagonisms have been entirely swept away and the fusion is absolute.

AMONG THE STATES

New Dissection Law in California.

California osteopaths are rejoicing over the passage of the new dissection law in that state which guarantees our colleges an abundance of dissection material on the same basis as that of the medical colleges.

Dr. Sharon Visits Kirksville.

"I had a two weeks’ visit at Kirksville recently, taking some treatment and visiting some friends, and am much rejoiced at the news of the good legislation in California. Our host rallied promptly and under the leadership of Dr. M. E. Clark the bill was killed in the committee. Saluat!"

Fun on the Wabash.

Indiana medics tried last month to push a bill which would force everybody to pass the medical examination in full before being allowed to practice healing in that state. Our host rallied promptly and under the leadership of Dr. M. E. Clark the bill was killed in the committee. Salut!"

Hooisers, Notice!

The Indianapolis Osteopathic Society will hold its next meeting Saturday evening, April 6th, at the office of Dr. M. E. Clark, Board of Trade building. To the evening’s members. Members of the Indiana Osteopathic Association are extended a cordial welcome to the meeting of this society.—D. Elia McNicol, D. O., St. Cyry.

An Osteopath Justly Happy.

We received the following cheerful note in Dr. James Becker, of Stafford, Kansas: "I have just read the February O. D. from Dr. James Becker, of Stafford, Kansas: "I have just read the February O. D. and am greatly rejoiced at the news of the good legislation in California. Our host rallied promptly and under the leadership of Dr. M. E. Clark the bill was killed in the committee. Salut!"

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recently been commissioned as medical examiner for the W. O. W. people, the Knights and Ladies of Security, and the L. O. O. F., to each of which lodges I belong.

Detroit Elects Officers.

The annual election of officers of the Detroit Osteopathic Feb. 10th, and resulted as follows: President, Dr. Chas. L. Severy; vice president, Dr. David Mills; secretary and treasurer, B. Taylor Stewart; board of directors, Dr. Edythe Ashmore, Dr. Chas. Bennett and Dr. J. M. Church.—Carrie B. Taylor-Stewart, D. O., Secretary.

The Perils of Vanity.

The newspapers this month reported that a young woman of Belwood, near Pittsburgh, Pa., dislocated her neck while combing her golden hair and looking into her mirror and was promptly removed to a hospital for treatment. Who will say now that the spinal vertebrae are not susceptible of various disturbances short of producing death to the individual?

Osteopathic Home at Excelsior.

We are in receipt of an illustrated booklet from Dr. R. A. Richardson, of Excelsior Springs, Mo., showing a half-tone of the "Osteopathic Home," his sanitarium at that place, and it looks very creditable to Dr. Richardson and the profession. Excelsior Springs is only a little run from Kansas City and is very popular as a health resort with the people of that city.

Doctor Robinson's Book Issues.

Just as we go to press we are advised by the Frank S. Betz Company, of Hammond, Ind., that Dr. Byron Robinson's latest work of 700 pages on the "Abdominal and Pelvic Brain and Artomatic Visceral Ganglia" is off the press and ready for distribution. We congratulate the publishers on this fact and shall hope to have a good review of the book in our next issue.

Help From Financial Paper.

The Commercial and Financial Review, of New York, had a column article in a recent issue on the rise of prices that should be defeated, which attacked the proposed Medical Unity Bill and defended the osteopaths in a commendable manner. The paper interviewed Dr. John N. Helmer on the situation and called upon the legislature to reject the Medical Unity Bill without hesitation.

Let Totman Wait.

Dr. D. M. Totman, (an M.D.), is still waiting to hear from the State Board of Health as to the action to be taken regarding Dr. Albert Fisher, an osteopath, who is treating a child ill with scarlet fever. This unusual condition will give a new phase to the legislative acts now pending regarding osteopathy. The press throughout the state has taken it up.

—Syracuse (N. Y.) Herald, March 15th.

Progress on Sectional Anatomy.

Dr. A. Still Craig reports that he is making progress on his new osteopathic sectional anatomy. "It is a big job and seems to be getting bigger every day," he writes, "but it is advancing nicely and I will get it completed one of these days." Through a mistake we stated some months ago that the price of this book was to be $6.00 to the first subscribers. As a matter of fact, the price is $10.00, and it is very cheap at that, but Dr. Craig has offered to take advance subscribers among osteopaths for $7.50 each, payable on delivery. He certainly deserves to meet with great support from our profession. Dr. Craig is doing this laborsome work conscientiously and he is compelling everyone and printer's likewise. When his book makes its appearance on the market it will be a credit to its author and to his profession.

Tennessee is Sick.

The annual meeting of the Osteopathic Society of Tennessee, which was to have taken place at Jackson, Tenn., on the 16th, has been indefinitely postponed by Dr. A. Downer, president of the society. Dr. Downer stated that owing to the large amount of sickness prevalent in the state it would be impossible for the members of the society to get away to attend the meeting, so it has been postponed until a more opportune time.

A Handshake and a Stab.

"When we have reached the social equality requisite to be invited to a dinner given by an M.D. and this same man takes occasion to knife osteopathy the next day, I think it time for the stand you proposed taking in the article in the March number. "Do You Value Your Life?" is all right, as far as it goes, and my only criticism is that it doesn't go far enough. I have actually had the above experience."—Dr. F. D. Parker, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Can Remove Parasites.

"Tape worms can be successfully removed by the osteopathic treatment," said Dr. Casey, of the Security Hospital, to a press man today. "Here is the proof of it," said the physician, showing a parasite of this class, which was still alive and active. When placed under the microscope one could plainly see the small head, with its four sucking discs and yards of folds. In speaking of the case, Dr. Casey said there was nothing strange about the successful expulsion of the complete parasite by osteopathic treatment, osteopathy is a complete science of healing.—Binghamton (N. Y.) Press.

47 Enrolled at Los Angeles College in New York.

The Los Angeles School of Osteopathy reports an enrollment of 47 matriculants for the new term, of which number 7 entered for third year work, having graduated in the two-year course; 7 entered advanced classes from other schools, and 33 are straight out freshmen enrolled for the three-year course. This is truly a very excellent showing for a new school, and it is fully up to the old record of the Des Moines College when the founders formed the little organization in the sadder there. Dr. Forbes and Colonel Shaw and their associates have much cause to be proud of this record.

Dr. Norwood's Brace Experience.

We call attention to an advertisement in this issue of Dr. R. R. Norwood of Mineral Wells, Texas, Secretary and Treasurer of the Texas Osteopathic Association, who has worked out a knee brace. Some of his colleagues in Texas have found it very helpful in certain lines of cases. Dr. Norwood writes:

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brace in the June, 1906, Osteopathic Physi­cian by the Texas Osteopathic Association, in its meeting at Waco, last May. I know it will do, therefore, make the liberal guaran­tee.

Southern California Academy of Sciences.

The biological section of the Academy held its regular meeting on the evening of February 11th in the histological laboratory of the Pa­cific College. The lecturer of the evening was Mr. Fred C. Luck, a naturalist, whose home for a number of years was on the Island of Ceylon. The lecture was on our native spi­ders and was particularly scholarly. It was illustrated by a number of drawings made by Mr. Luck expressly for this occasion. The audience was good and drew out not only the members of the section but a considerable number of physicians and naturalists. The osteopaths feel a little justifiable pride in the biological section of the Academy, as it meets in their college and both of the officers are from their ranks. The March meeting is to be a symposium on the "Physiology of the Cell."

Western Pennsylvania Osteopathic Society.

The Western Pennsylvania Osteopathic So­ciety met at Hotel Henry, Pittsburgh, the evening of February 16th. A majority of the D. O.'s of the western section of the state were present. Fifty-five were down at the banqueting table. Dr. Marion E. Clark, of Indianapolis, Ind., was the honor guest and spoke on "Pelvic Peritoneal Adhesion." He also conducted a clinic, several cases coming before the society. Afterwards legislative matters were discussed, a spirit of optimism prevailing as to the outcome of the fight in Pennsylvania. Dr. Clark made the statement that he had never attended a state meeting that equaled this one, and congratulated the D. O.'s of this section on having such a strong society. A meeting held in November by the same society at the same place, through an oversight, was not reported. Dr. McCon­nell, of Chicago, was present and spoke very interestingly on his researches in pathology. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, Dr. Wm. Rohacek, Green-
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The Early Doctor Was an All-Around Man.

Recently in a small French town an old advertisement of a barber-surgeon was discovered. It reads as follows: "Isaac Macaire, clerk of the parish, barber, surgeon, shoemaker, school-teacher, blacksmith, and apothecary. Shaves for one sou, cuts hair for two sous. Uses powder and pomade for well-raised young ladies and gentlemen, teaching them the polite language and manners of their grandfathers. He teaches music, singing, and also blacksmithing. He also mends boots and shoes while you wait. Teaches the hamboya and the gumboire, cuts corns, puts on leeches, and bleeds. Gives rectal injections, teaches the coition and other modern dances. Sells perfumery, salt herring, spices, brushes, and confectons. P. S.—He also teaches geography every Wednesday and Saturday, God aiding.—(Signed) ISAAC MACAIRE."—Medical Age.

Athletics Are Good Advertising.

The A. S. O. Athletic Association has issued a stirring appeal under date of March 1st to the alumni, asking for the support of the foot-ball team for this year. It is explained that arrangements are being made to develop a strong team and it is believed that its work in the field will be another strong advertisement for osteopathy, such as the profession enjoyed several seasons ago. Membership in the association is put at $1 and every A. S. O. graduate is asked to join. Larger contributions are thankfully received. Money should be made payable to Dr. R. E. Hamilton, treasurer, Kirkville, Missouri. The officers of the Association this year are Colman Woolson, president; William L. Rogers, vice-president; L. Buckham, secretary; Dr. R. E. Hamilton, treasurer; George O. Pound, manager, and J. A. Malone, assistant manager. The board also includes Doctors M. E. Clark, F. P. Young and George A. Still, and James Brake, 1907; James A. Malone, 1908; C. M. Walker, January, 1909, and C. A. Black, June, 1909.

Maine Successful Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Maine Osteopathic Association was held Saturday afternoon at the home of Dr. George H. Tuttle, Congress street, Portland, Feb. 25. Dr. Ada A. Achor of Boston delivered an address on "Bladder Troubles." The following were elected: President, Dr. Lillian P. Wentworth, Augusta; vice-president, Dr. Florence A. Covey, Portland; secretary, Dr. Mary W. Day, Portland; treasurer, Dr. George H. Tuttle, Portland; trustees, Dr. Wendell Coburn, Dr. Sophronia T. Rosebrook and Dr. Viola D. Howe, all of Portland.

In the evening at the Congress Square Hotel the members of the association and guests enjoyed a banquet. The following were in attendance: Dr. Sophronia T. Rosebrook, Miss Etta M. Owen, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Cole, Mrs. Henry E. Houghton, Mrs. Thomas Lord, Miss Belle Ayer, Miss Mary E. Willard, Miss Lona Perkins, Dr. Ada A. Achorn, Dr. Florence A. Covey, Dr. George T. Tuttle, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Parmer, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Foster, Rev. and Mrs. Judson Van Clancy, Mrs. J. Chase, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Porter, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Day, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Eddy, Dr. Mary Warren Dey, Dr. V. D. Howe, Mrs. A. S. Caswell, Dr. and Mrs. D. W. Comber, Mrs. J. M. Steadman, Mrs. D. L. Coburn, Miss Mabel Steadman, Dr. D. Wendell Coburn was the toastmaster and introduced the following toasts: "The Local Spirit," Dr. E. T. Rosebrook; "Minister vs. Physician," Rev. Judson Van Clancy; "The Pacific College of Osteopathy (INCORPORATED)

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Buckeye O.'s Want to Run a State Hospital.

The osteopaths are making a fight before the governor to have one of their number made superintendent of the Columbus State Hospital for Feebleminded Youth. They see an opportunity to compare their school with the allopaths, and have so informed the governor. To this end, as has been proposed, to obtain one physician in a state hospital in a subordinate position, but to get the superintendent of a hospital, with all the medical staff under him to be named.

They recall the time when the penitentiary was under the control of the allopaths a number of years ago, and all of the medical staffs were homeopathists.

Just what the outcome of the fight will be is uncertain at this point. Allopathists and osteopaths are not strong, comparatively speaking, and whether they can muster enough strength to outweigh the opposition of the allopaths remains to be seen. Dr. Rorick, superintendent of the state institution for feeble-minded youth, which is in the same county, until about May 1, Meanwhile the fight goes on, with the chances almost entirely in favor of the allopaths.

Dr. Muttart Succeeds Dr. McCurdy at Philadelphia College.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Philadelphia College & Infirmary of Osteopathy, Dr. Chas. J. Muttart was elected dean of the college to succeed Dr. Chas. W. McCurdy, who resigned from the deanship on account of failing health. Dr. Muttart is a graduate of the American School of Osteopathy and has been at the head of the department of anatomy at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy for the past few years. He is the youngest president in the history of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy.

Dr. McCurdy, who has been an osteopath for many years, has had a long and successful practice, and is a well-known figure among the osteopaths.

Dr. Muttart is favorably known throughout the East and the P. C. I. O. is fortunate in having such a man at the head of its institution.

Dr. Chas. W. McCurdy, who has been an instructor for thirty-one years, was at one time dean of the University of Idaho, and is now serving his second term as vice president of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Association.

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DR. M. E. CLARK HAS A RECORD OF OVER 800 BABIES.

Six hundred and more babies are a glorious tributary in the practice of any physician, but when they represent a practice of scarcely ten years it means that the doctor has let no gold time go by and has spent no useless time in sleep throughout that period.

Such is the record of Dr. Marion E. Clark of Indianapolis, Ind., who has almost a decade has been the water-taxi doctor and gynecologist of the American School of Osteopathy, and who within a couple of months has entered private practice, for the capital city of Indiana. It is said that Dr. Clark’s experience in managing over 800 labor cases is the record for our profession and that that number represents more cases actually than any other of our practitioners has to his credit. We are not statisticians enough to know that this is absolutely correct, yet we assume it is, and feel certain that no other doctor, except possibly Dr. Charles E. Still, could even enter into competition with Dr. Clark for the number of obstetrical cases handled.

Dr. Clark was a member of a certain class at the American School of Osteopathy whose segments are numbered by hundreds, while in college for being “kickers” when things didn’t go to suit them—it memory serves us well—but who, after these things were past in practice, somehow redeemed themselves and managed to produce a lot of professional luminaries, among whom shine such names as Drs. Todd, Kerr, Link, Evans, Clark, Hardin, “Rolly” and J. D. Wheeler, Mrs. Carter and others. To say that this class has been “heard from” after leaving college is putting it mildly and to say that its members were and are a famous lot is only doing a historical accuracy exact justice.

Dr. Clark has received his education at Shurtleff College at Alton, Illinois, where he completed the course in 1894. He entered the A. S. O. two years later. He was graduated by the parent college of osteopathy with honors, entering two competitive examinations and winning the prize.

While in college Dr. Clark developed considerable of a penchant for pedagogy and used to lead the boys and girls in their quizzes like a prize schoolteacher. The writer remembers seeing him line up the Wheeler boys, Mrs. Carter and others in the hallway of the old book store behind the college building or in the sacred room, which was supposed to be devoted at that hour to clinics, where he threshed out the questions of pedagogy and used the opportunity to lead the boys and girls in their quizzes like a prize schoolteacher. He remained in practice and entered his name in the field of the profession. He was graduated with the class of 1907. It was not many months before Dr. Clark emerged from the position of Dr. Charley’s understudy in his obstetrical case and became installed as the chief man in that line of practice. Dr. Charley had served so many years answering midnight calls that he was very glad indeed to pass along the night honors to a younger candidate, who wasn’t particular whether he got any sleep or not. And so, between lecturing and clinics in the day time, and helping on the cause of a “growing country” by night, Dr. Clark managed to pull in all the hours that the union allows during his period of busy activity at the parent college. It is said that he has more babies named after him in the state of Missouri than there are bearing the name of Roosevelt in the commonwealth of New York.

It was but natural that Dr. Clark should turn this fruitful period of study, practice and lecturing to permanent account for the benefit of the profession’s literature—and he did. His text books on anatomy and gynecology are osteopathic classics. The profession knows all about the value of these books and we will only allude to them in passing.

For several years Dr. Clark has had a growing feeling that he wanted to cease his career as an educator and infirmarv practitioner and to enter upon the more congenial field of private practice. He therefore resigned his position at the parent college, taking effect early this year, and entered private practice in Indianapolis, Indiana. He is specializing along the lines of obstetrics, gynecology, diseases of children and minor gynecology surgery. He has a handsome office at Suite 409 and 410 Board of Trade Building, where he has associated with his partner, Dr. E. B. Prickett, who is specializing in diseases of the gastro-intestinal tract.

Dr. Clark is a member in “good standing” of the American Osteopathic Association, the Missouri Osteopathic Association and the Boston Osteopathic Society. He was promptly elected by his Indianapolis associates as president of the Indianapolis Osteopathic Society upon locating in their city. He has been made the president of the Obstetrical Section of the American Osteopathic Association for its program at the Norfolk, Virginia, meeting this year.

Among other lines of activity that Dr. Clark has manifested—as if a man really needed to be any busier than he has been in the past decade to accomplish only the foregoing—Dr. Clark has found time to oscillate back and forth over the United States a great many of the professional gatherings of the United States, among whom he is favorably known as one of the wise men and good fellows of the profession. There was a time when Dr. Hildreth was the only man that took part in this interstate osteopathic commerce, but of late years Dr. Clark and Dr. Mahaffey seem to be the only men that Hildreth at his own game and they now do more traveling than he does. Perhaps it should be said in defense of Dr. Hildreth that most states in the Union have not yet secured satisfactory osteopathic laws and so there is not so much occasion for his traveling as formerly. Suffice it to say however that Dr. Hildreth has visited the profession in its territorial meetings all the way from Boston to Denver and he is still a star performer in the programs at many of these gatherings.

In devoting himself to the general advancement of the profession in this manner as well as a writer of text books and an educator, Dr. Clark has won for himself a host of friends in the osteopathic profession and perhaps no man in the profession is known to a larger body of our practitioners in a friendly way.

Dr. Clark is happily married and is the proud possessor of three little ones, we believe. This number is correct as near as we know the facts and if it is not, we hereby tender our apologies to Dr. and Mrs. Clark for any discrepancy.

If a host of friends mean anything to a practitioner lately located Dr. Clark ought to have more practice in his new field than he can comfortably take care of.

State Board Items.

Dr. L. K. Cram, Butte, Montana, was appointed March 4 by Governor Toole a member of the board of osteopathic examiners to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. S. A. Kennedy.

Dr. C. L. Fagan, of Stuttgart, Ark., was appointed a member of the Arkansas State Board of Osteopathic Examiners by Acting Governor John I. Moore, on March 7th, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. J. E. Gildersleeve, of Turrenka.

The State Board of Osteopathic Examiners of Montana met in Helena on the 3rd and 4th, and the following took the examination and were licensed to practice osteopathy in Montana: Drs. Frederic J. and Mabel E. Eimmart City; Dr. Frank H. E. Casey, Red Lodge; and Dr. H. M. Stel, Livingston. The Board reorganized, electing the following officers: Dr. B. Fricker, president; Dr. C. W. Mahaffay, Helena, secretary; and Dr. L. K. Cram, Butte, treasurer. The next meeting of the board will be held in Helena September 3, 4, 5, 1907.

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