

USE FILM IN SURGERY

Preparation For and Carrying Out of Operation Shown.

Is Especially Useful for Students as Instructor Can Explain Every Move Made.

New York.—Many prominent physicians and the student body of the New York Homeopathic Medical College attended the unique celebration of National Homeopathic day at the New York Homeopathic Medical College and Flower Hospital, Avenue A, between Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets. Interest centered around the exhibition of herniotomy under local anesthetic by Dr. Fred A. Kelly of Detroit, surgeon of the Grace hospital of that city and President of the Michigan State Homeopathic society. The application of local anesthetic, which means the deadening of the nerve centers in the region of the operation without causing the patient to lose consciousness, to herniotomy, which included operations for hernia and rupture, is something entirely new in medical science. The first demonstration was a four-reel moving picture showing every detail of preparation and actual carrying out of the operation as performed by Doctor Kelly and his assistants in the Grace hospital in Detroit. This moving picture reel is especially useful in that one who understands the operation can stand and explain every move made to students and surgeons interested and also in that it has the advantage over the actual operation itself in that the entire operation or any part of it can be reviewed as many times as is desired by the instructor or student.

The picture was followed by a demonstration by Dr. George F. Laidlaw and Dr. Milton J. Ralsbeck of the electro-cardiograph, an electrical instrument used for the purpose of detecting and diagramming irregularities in the heart. The advantage of this apparatus is that the part attached to the patient may be attached in his bed at home, and by means of connecting wires, the results of the test may be recorded on the machine in the hospital miles away. This does away with the necessity of carrying about the entire apparatus. It being necessary to have on hand only the part attached to the patient's arms and legs.

The final demonstration was the performance in the operating room of the Flower hospital of an actual operation by Doctor Kelly after the manner described in the motion picture shown earlier in the afternoon. The operation was successfully performed upon an inmate of the hospital, who had recently been brought into the hospital suffering from rupture.

SHOW GRAVE AS PILGRIM'S

Dutch Guides Admit There Are Doubts About Pastor Robinson's Burial Place.

Leyden, Holland.—American tourists who come here are frequently shown by the guides in St. Peter's church, where the Pilgrim fathers worshiped before going to America, a stone, under which, the guides say, lies the body of Pastor John Robinson, the Pilgrims' leader.

The correspondent the other day took one of the guides aside and expressed doubts about it, whereupon the guide opened his heart and said: "As a matter of fact, sir, we do not really know ourselves. We had all the stones up some years ago and we found several skeletons, but it was impossible to identify them. We could not even see whether they had been men or women.

"But," he added naively, "you have to say something to your visitors. Now, have you not, sir?"

FIND NEW RUSS GOLD FIELDS

Prospectors Report Rich Placer and Quartz Deposits in Different Parts of Russia.

Berlin.—Discoveries of new gold fields in different parts of Russia are reported by a German trade journal.

In Buchara (Aighan frontier) on the upper waters of the Amu Darya and its tributaries, rich placer gold deposits are reported to have been located and further successful prospecting has been made on the Safet-Darya and Yatchan.

Placer gold has also been discovered in the Ussuri district in the Imen basin (eastern Siberia).

In several other parts of Siberia prospectors have lately found not only placer gold, but rich gold-bearing quartz, say the reports.

Indian Sells Land for Plane; Heap Big Chief

Hawatha, Kan.—Chief Harrison Connell, an Indian, bought an airplane in Kansas City several months ago to give exhibition flights. He brought the plane to his home here, where scores of redskins assembled to see their chief fly. Chief Connell had sold his last eighty acres of Indian land and was preparing to fly high when the plane came down with a sickening thud. Chief Connell had \$2,700 invested in the machine, but sold it for \$100 to an oil man from Texas.

SKETCH OF MAJ. GEN. READ, ONE TIME COMMANDER OF THIRTIETH DIVISION

(By R. B. House.)

The North Carolina Historical Commission.

Major General George Washburn Read, though an Iowa by birth, is ultimately connected with the military record of North Carolina, because he commanded the Thirtieth Division for a while, and then the Second American Corps, of which the Thirtieth Division was a part. General Read has served actively in the army for forty-one years, in six campaigns, and in capacities as varied as the army affords.

Born in Iowa November 19, 1850, he graduated from West Point in 1883, receiving assignment to the Sixteenth Infantry. Transferring to the Fifth Cavalry September, 1883, he served continuously with that regiment till 1889, during which time it was stationed in Wyoming, Kansas, and Indian Territory. Leaving his regiment in 1889, he served as Professor of Military Science and Tactics in Iowa State University till 1893, when he rejoined his regiment in Texas.

In 1897 he became Aide de Camp to General J. F. Wade in the Department of the Lakes, with St. Paul, Minnesota, as headquarters. From here he went with General Wade to Havana, Cuba, in 1898, served there on the Evacuation Commission till 1899 and returned to St. Paul at the conclusion of the Spanish-American War. In the meantime he had been promoted to First Lieutenant. In 1899 he was promoted to Captain, assigned to the 9th Cavalry in the West, and sent with it to the Philippine Islands in 1900. In the Philippines he served successively as Regimental Adjutant, Squadron Commander, Adjutant General of Brigade, and Judge Advocate of Department South Luzon.

Returning to the United States in

command of troops on the transport Sheridan in 1902, he commanded the First Squadron, Ninth Cavalry, at Presidio of Monterey till 1903. During this time he was a member of the Horse Purchasing Board for Cavalry in the Northwestern States, and in 1903 he helped make a military survey of the Hawaiian Islands. From June 1905 till June 1909, he was on the General Staff, during which time he was on the General Staff of the Army of Cuban Pacification from 1906 till 1908, president of the Claims Commission in 1908, and Military Governor of Pinar del Rio, 1908. Relieved from the General Staff in 1909, he served with the Seventh Cavalry in Kansas till April 1, 1910, when he was promoted to Major and assigned to the Eighth Cavalry. While in Kansas in 1910 he was Chief Empire of Maneuver Camp, Fort Riley, Kansas. He went for a second tour in the Philippines in 1910, where he stayed until 1912. He then returned to the United States for assignment to the Ninth Cavalry, his old regiment, 1913. 1914 he studied in the War College, receiving rank as Lieutenant Colonel in 1914, and serving in the Adjutant-General's Department until 1915. July 1916 he was promoted to Colonel, and August 1917 to Brigadier General in the National Army and assigned to command the 152nd Depot Brigade at Camp Upton, New York. On November 28, 1917, he was again promoted, this time to Major General N. A., and assigned to command the Fifteenth Cavalry Division, El Paso, Texas.

In April 1918, he was assigned to command of the Thirtieth Division, and embarked for France in May of that year. But in June, 1918, he was assigned to command the Second Corps, composed of the Twenty-seventh and Thirtieth Divisions. General Read commanded this corps in Belgium and in France in the great fighting. After the armistice he commanded the Le Mans area, February 1919, and the Forty-second Division, March and April, 1919. In the Forty-second or Rainbow Division he again commanded a unit of North Caroli-

na troops in the Engineer Train of that Division. He returned to the United States in April 1919. In the meantime, in November 1918, General Read had received permanent appointment to the rank of Brigadier General, Regular Army, and on July 3, 1920, he was promoted to Major General, Regular Army, and assigned to command the Fifth Corps Area with headquarters at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. General Read's varied and distinguished services are testified to by the following decorations: Distinguished Service Medal, United States War Department; Order of the Bath, England; Commander Legion of Honor, France. Also he wears the Gold Medal M. S. L. D. Croix de Guerre with palms, and the Victory Medal. In a speech at Asheville at the Old Hickory Reunion, 1920, General Read said: "I can't say that I had much to do with making the Thirtieth Division, but I can say that the Thirtieth Division had a lot to do with making me."

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 5.—In the belief that they were graciously being extended the freedom of the city, several Texas excursionists in Mexico City recently halted a taxicab marked "Liberty" and toured the city for almost half a day. When presented with a rather large bill they protested, asserting to the driver that his car was labeled "Free" and was, no doubt, provided for visitors by the local entertainment committee. The bill was paid when the Americans were informed that every taxicab that is "at liberty" or "ready to hire" is marked "Liberty."

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