

WAR MEDICINE TO BE STUDIED AT '39 SESSION

World Congress Accepts Bid From Roosevelt To Meet In U. S.—All Fields Of Clinical Study Included.

NEW YORK—(UP)—The World war—considered the greatest clinic the world has ever known—was the inspiration for an international military medical organization that today is working not only to ameliorate the suffering of war and war conditions, but has formed the basis of more effective treatment of the sick and wounded during peace.

The International Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy (which includes all branches of medicine, surgery, sanitation and dentistry) will meet in the United States in 1939, on invitation of President Roosevelt.

The congress was sponsored by King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of the Belgians, and was conceived and organized in 1921 by Col. Jules Voncken of the Belgian military medical service and Dr. William Seaman Bainbridge, captain and medical director in the U. S. naval reserve.

Meets Every Two Years
Since then it has met every two years in the various capitals of Europe. It aims at the internationalization of all branches of the healing art, with the collection, codification and standardization of all available knowledge so that, regardless of nationality or position of the ever-changing lines of combat, prompt, effective and uniform treatment of the sick and wounded in any war zone may be carried out without the interruption, perhaps, of enemy successes and occupation of a territory.

At each congress six main topics are discussed. The country in which the congress is held submits an official report on each question, as does another nation selected for its special experience in the subject under discussion. Valuable contributions on each question are also received from other countries. Toward the close of the congress, general conclusions are drawn up and are accepted only if they have the unanimous approval of all delegates. If there is any point that is not clear, or on which all cannot agree, the matter is tabled for a future meeting when added experience or further deliberation may solve the question in doubt.

The permanent committee of the congress, appointed at the first meeting by the king of the Belgians, is the working and managing unit. It consists of one member from each of eight nations—Belgium, France, Great Britain, Italy, Spain, Brazil, Switzerland and the United States of America (which Dr. Bainbridge represents). The meetings of the committee are held before, during and following the congress sessions, and in alternate years when necessary.

Headquarters in Liege
The central bureau of the congress is located in Liege, Belgium, and here also is conducted another branch of the daily working activity of the

organization—the international office of medicine—military documentation, which is under the supervision of the secretary-general, Colonel Voncken. At this office are collected documents, books, articles on military medical topics, and various material relating to the medical services of all countries. Accredited representatives of governments are at liberty to utilize this office for reference, and there is a department that answers technical questions received by mail from all over the world.

Immediately after past war certain phases of medical, surgical and sanitary experiences have been summarized. The result of a battle on the life or limb of the combatants, the immediate treatment given, special operations performed soon after the infliction of an injury, have become part of medico-military history.

Monaco Pact Drawn

In 1933, when the congress was meeting in Madrid, the Principality of Monaco was represented for the first time. Experts in international law from various countries were also present. The active interest of Prince Louis II of Monaco was aroused and, in 1934, he invited the permanent committee and leaders in international law to a week's conference at his palace. The result of this conference is the so-called pact of Monaco, which aims toward the humanization of war, and has as its goal the realization of the following five points:

1. Organization of medical zones and towns.
2. Medical assistants by non-belligerents.
3. Treatment of prisoners of war.
4. Measures applicable in case of violations of the convention.
5. Protection of the civil population.

Menus of the Day

By Mrs. Alexander George
Popovers for Luncheon
Breakfast Menu
Sliced Oranges

Cooked Wheat Cereal Cream
Fried Eggs and Bacon
Buttered Toast Coffee

Luncheon Menu
Peanut and Apple Salad
Popovers Butter
Plum Sauce Cookies

Tea
Dinner Menu
Fried Oysters
Cabbage Relish
Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Beets

Bread Butter
Cocoanut Cream Pie
Coffee

Peanut and Apple Salad
(Serves Three)

1 cup sliced apples
1/4 cup diced celery
1/4 cup shelled roasted peanuts
1/2 teaspoon salt

1-3 cup salad dressing
Mix ingredients and serve on crisp lettuce leaves.

Popovers
1-3 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon fat, melted
1 cup flour
2 eggs, beaten
1/2 cup milk

Mix all ingredients. Beat for two minutes. Half fill greased hot muffin pans. (Glass baking cups or iron muffin pans are suggested.) Let bake for 25 minutes in a very hot oven. Lower fire and bake 10 more minutes. Serve hot.

The civil population of the Panama Canal Zone is 29,100, of whom 8,417 are Americans.

DRIVE FOR REFORM IN MEXICO SLOWS AS PERILS LOOM

President Cardenas Forced To Give Ground As Means Of Averting a Financial Crisis — Unrest Noted.

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MEXICO CITY (UP)—Faced with the danger of a financial crisis, President Lazaro Cardenas has decided to slow down slightly the rhythm of "The Revolution" rather than run the risk of having his whole program fall.

Friend and foe alike have been warning Cardenas that Mexican finances were none too secure. Big government spending, strikes and the flight of foreign capital, they told him, could not continue indefinitely in the face of bad crops and enormous increase in the cost of living without producing a crash. The president decided there was need for caution. His socialistic program of land distribution, road-building, irrigation works, construction of schools and railroads will not be abandoned, but will be slowed somewhat.

Move Attains Dignity
Simultaneously, a new conception of "The Revolution" is being created by subtle propaganda, in writing, oratory, radio and movies. In the old days, Mexico shied at being referred to as the country of revolutions. Nowadays a new dignity is being given to the entire revolutionary movement beginning in 1910, which is called "The Revolution."

"The Revolution" has thus become a living thing, which projects itself into the future. Wise politicians who were too young to participate in the battles of the revolutionaries nevertheless call themselves "revolutionaries."

"The Revolution," according to some Mexican commentators, was one of the things which inspired Franklin D. Roosevelt to adopt a scheme which he called "The New Deal" when he became president.

Living Costs Skyrocket
For two years, Cardenas enjoyed prosperity and an unconditional approval by the United States of all he did. Recently, however, his situation suddenly changed. Numerous strikes, government spending and inflationary effects of the Roosevelt silver purchase plan forced the cost of living in Mexico, to unheard of proportions. The vast distribution of land carried out under Cardenas

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was a big blow to agricultural production, as the years immediately following the cutting up of big haciendas invariably result in reduced crops. And to get the communal agrarian system started, it is necessary for the government to spend millions of pesos keeping the peasants fed, buying them seeds, machinery and fertilizer.

To add to the hard luck which struck Mexico, the cotton crop at La Laguna was severely damaged by drought, while most of the wheat and corn (maize) crops were damaged by hail and excessive rains.

Mexico, the land which originated corn and cocon, began to import these articles, and more recently wheat was imported—which shows how deficient has been the agricultural production this year in this agricultural nation. Furthermore, the drop in the cotton prices is another blow to the La Laguna experiment.

Things in Mexico got so bad a few weeks ago that on all corners could be heard talk of the "impending crisis" as if it were just as certain to come as the dry season is to succeed the rainy season every year. Naturally, the small political opposition to Cardenas took full advantage of the situation to spread rumors that this country would be a "second Spain" if conditions did not soon improve.

One of the best outlines of the situation was the recent report by the Banco Nacional de Mexico, one of the nation's most important private banks. Among other things it said:
"The cost of living has risen from a ratio of 100 in 1934 to 140 in 1937. This means that the amount of money spent for food

has so increased that the purchases of other articles begin to decline. This may be the beginning of a chain of disturbances and calamities which one must at all costs seek to avoid. . . . There is danger of a crash. Even if the building trades continue busy and the government persists in its policy of public works, it will not matter. If consumers' goods reach the point which they are now approaching (in price), there will be a crisis in other branches, which will eventually affect everything."
The reserves of gold and silver

guaranteeing the currency and deposits of the Bank of Mexico (the central bank) were still high on September 18, at 56.37 per cent, yet this was a drop from 62.2 percent on July 31.

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