

Chronology of LEE H. NORCROSS, D.C., N.D.

Color Code: **Green:** for emphasis

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1924 (Dec): **Chirogram**, published by **LACC**, reports:

- Charles H. Wood** announces "Amalgamation of the **Golden State College of Chiropractic** with **LOS ANGELES COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC**. Final negotiations were completed Saturday, December 20, 1924..." (p. 1)
- among the freshmen are: **Leo B. Arnold**, **Clifford B. Eacrett** and RE Baird (p. 2)
- mention of "Dr. **Norcross**" (p. 2)
- notes "First Homecoming and Lyceum" held in new **LACC** auditorium in September, 1924 (p. 2)
- Charles H. Wood** publishes "Diagnostic **neurometer**", an **NCM**-like device he has invented (p. 6)
- Curtis Hollinger** DC is **LACC** Field Secretary (p. 8)

PHOTOGRAPH



LACC Student Lee Norcross (**Eclectograph**, 1924, p. 48)

1925 (Feb): graduating class **photo** lists **Charles H. Wood** as president of **LACC**, **Linnie A. Cale** DC, DO is now Dean (replacing **George Starr White** MD, PhD, DC); 40 graduates (no blacks, 10 females); **faculty** are:

- Wilma Churchill Wood** DC, PhC (grad of **ECC**; see 5/1/22)
- John W **Koer** DC, PhC [will later become president of **Bellevue (Chiropractic) Hospital**; see **July, 1935**]
- E. Franklin Johnson** (**MD omitted**) DC, PhC (former faculty member at **ECC**)
- Raymond C. Bell DC, PhC
- *WL Lynch DC, PhC
- *J. Bruce Clark DC, PhC
- *Richard H Swift DC, PhC
- *H. Vincent Boling DC, PhC
- ***Lee H. Norcross** DC, PhC
- *AF Blair DC, PhC

1926 (Jan): **LACC** graduation **photo** lists 62 graduates, including 21 females; **Charles Wood** and **Linnie Cale** continue as President and Dean, respectively; John W **Koer**, who had formerly served as faculty and then Sec'y, has become VP; **Wilma Churchill Wood** is Sec'y of **LACC**; **faculty** are:

- E. Franklin Johnson** MD, DC, PhC (formerly **ECC**)
- Raymond C Bell DC, PhC
- J. Bruce Clark DC, PhC
- H. Vincent **Boling** DC
- Lee H. **Norcross** DC, PhC

1931 (Feb 5): Lee H **Norcross** DC [**?former?** **LACC** faculty] is member of CA **BCE** according to letter to **TF Ratledge** DC from Samuel J. **Howell** DC, sec'y of the Board; Howell warns Ratledge that he cannot publicly claim to be "the only school on

the Pacific Coast that has been approved by the California State Board of Chiropractic Examiners" (**Ratledge papers-SFCR Archives**)

1931 (June): **Chirogram** (Vol. 7, No. 4):

- Dr. Gustave W. **Haas** writes "Chiropractic Orthopedics" (pp. 3, 21); **Haas** had worked with the **naturopaths** in 1913 (Gillespie, 1925), and was president of the **California State Society of Naturopaths** in 1925 (**Naturopathic**, 1925; **Notes**, 1925); he authored "Naturopathic Orthopaedics" in **Herald of Health** in January, 1916, pp. 63-
- AV **Nilsson** DC writes "Anatomy and Dissection" (pp. 4, 20, 21)
- David C. Long DC writes "Obstetrics" (pp. 5, 21); he is a graduate of the LACC class of June, 1930
- "**California Legislative News**" (pp. 9, 12) notes recent bills in Sacramento to regulate massage therapy ["**masseurology**"], **naturopathy**, Christian Healing, and to require doctors (MD, DC, DO, ND, OptD, DSC, PhC, PhD] to list name of school from which graduated on all advertising materials. Editor **CH Wood** approves of SJ **Howells** (CA Chiro Board Sec'y) successful efforts to kill these bills; also notes:

The **proposed naturopathic law** had as its chief sponsors a few Chiropractors in Northern California, one of whom is conducting a so-called naturopathic school. If this naturopathic bill should be passed, it would undoubtedly make it possible for a great number of short-course practitioners to open up and practice legally. It would also make it possible for a few individuals who are interested in "naturopathic institutions of learning" to make a great deal of money through the promotion of doctors of all schools who they evidently expect would be compelled by the passage of this "naturopathic" act to obtain licensure thereunder if they wish to practice physiotherapeutic measures. (p. 9)

-**Charles H. Wood** reports in "The Open Forum":

QUESTION: What is your opinion of the aquarian method of technique? ANSWER: The writer considers this just another 'system of technique' that was invented for those who are 'desirous of working miracles'" (p. 10)

QUESTION: How many chiropractic associations are there in California and which is the largest? ANSWER: There are two associations in California - one, the Progressive Chiropractic Association of California, Limited; and the other, the **California Chiropractic Association**. The **Progressive Chiropractic Association** is the larger in members, as they have about **eight hundred members** in the State. The **CCA** has a membership of between two and **three hundred**, according to the testimony of the secretary of this association in court in a recent law suit. (p. 10)

QUESTION: Why do you not reply to Dr. **Palmer's** criticisms of your magazine, as published in the **Fountain Head News**? ANSWER: The "**Chirogram**" is a constructive magazine and is not going to be drawn into any controversy with any contemporary publication. After all, to reply to such criticism could be likened to Don Quixote fighting the windmill. (p. 10)

-"**The Chirogram** has the largest circulation of any Chiropractic magazine in the world." (p. 10)

-ad from Viva-Radon, Ltd. at Bendix Bldg, 1206 Maple Ave, LA, for the Zimmer **Radium Emanator**, which provides "a constant supply of "high dosage" radio-active water....Of course, you know of the curative properties of radio-active mineral spring waters...relief and cure of disease through and by means of radium emanation" (p. 11)

- Dr. Paul **Stretch**, president of the **National Progressive Chiropractic Association**, Dr. Otis M **McMurtrey**, president of the **Progressive Chiropractic Association of California** and **CH Wood**, president of the **LACC**, announce joint "Convention and Lyceum" at **LACC** on July 24-Aug 2, 1931; speakers will include **Charles A. Cale**, president of the **Cale College of Chiropractic**, who will speak on "New Chiropractic Standards of Education", Dr. Ruth B. **Drown** DC [of future **Drown College of Radio Therapy**?-see 1948 and **Drown College of Radio Therapy** in LA-see July, 1935] who will speak on "X-Atomic Vibrations - A New Therapy", Nelson C **Oakley**, president of **Clewell College** of Chiropractic, **Lee W. Edwards** MD, DC, **Lee Norcross**, **Leo W Hosford** DC, president of **SFCC** who will speak on "Electro-Coagulation of Tonsils (Clinic)" (pp. 9-12)
- Clyde F. **Gillett** DC opens additional drugless ENT clinic at Pershing Square Bldg, Fifth and Hill Streets, LA (p. 20)
- Clyde F. **Gillett** DC advertisement for "The Gillett Course in Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, a nine-lesson course by mail" (rear cover)
- ad for Hotel Oakley, one block from **LACC**, which caters to DCs and students, seeks convention business (p. 20)
- "ANNOUNCEMENT" (p. 20):
Educational standards to be raised. Six months will be added to our course on July 1, 1931. New subjects be added. More clinical and laboratory work will be required. New equipment is being installed for this work. The tuition will be raised \$100....In speaking of the **Los Angeles College of Chiropractic**, the *Journal of the American Medical Association* under date of May 26, 1928, reports: "This is the best equipped chiropractic school that the inspector has seen."...**LOS ANGELES COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC**..
- ad for Dr Leon S. Bishken's Health Supreme System at 604 S Rampart Blvd, LA, where he teaches "practical course in Swedish Massage" (p. 21)

1931 (Oct): **CCA Bulletin** (1[1]) includes:

- photos** of **BJ** and **TF Rattledge** (p. 2)
- notes **BJ** and **TF Rattledge** will speak at the Jubilee Room at Breaker's Hotel during the **CCA** Southern Divisions annual meeting in Long Beach on November 22, 1931 (p. 4)
- editorial indicates that the **BCE**:
...composed of Fish, Fishback, **Howell** and Redmond in 1928 with **Humason** as its investigator, and working understrions by the Board and in conjunction with **CH Wood**, sought to prevent the merging of the **CSCA**, the **FC of C**, the **CCDA**, all of which were State Associations. Failing in this and with the rank and file of their own little group of followers demanding the entrance of the **Progressive Association** into the one state organization the **Board** and **CH Wood** became very desperate in devising ways of accomplishing the defeat of Chiropractic organizations in California, and were the objects of severe but honest criticism which was printed and circulated to the field by the **CCA**.
Any criticism of **Humason** was not in any way personal but a denunciation of his acts which were believed to be under direction of the **Board** and **CH Wood**. The criticism of the **Board** and **CH Wood** was based on the contents of certain letters, statements, and acts of various individuals which, all together, made it appear that a conspiracy existed to do great harm to former Board Members, to certain highly respected and educated individuals (Chiropractors), to certain really Chiropractic Associations and certain of the better Chiropractic Schools. (pp. 5, 15)
- letter dated Aug 8, 1931 to **BCE** from Drs. J. Walter Clark, Arthurn Stern, Chas. Webb, Joseph Rau, Agnes Rau, JS Campbell and Geo. Peluse discusses **BCE**'s efforts to have **Hugh B. Logan's** and **Harry L. Eckard's** California reciprocity licenses from Nevada removed; suggests that **Charles H. Wood** is allied with the **Progressive Chiropractic Association of California** and the **BCE** in an effort to bar and/or remove licenses from **PSC** grads, to prevent merger of opposing state associations and to

frame innocent **BCE** members such that they would be forced to resign; notes **Lee Norcross** is member of the **BCE**; notes that **CO Hunt** DC was appointed to the **BCE** in February, 1931 (pp. 6-11)
-report suggests that the **BCE** will attempt to have 50% of all licenses revoked, i.e., those issued prior to August 1926, on the grounds that 45-minute periods were used in determining applicants accumulation of the required 2,400 hour curriculum, and further (p. 13):

A mass of evidence never denied by members of the **Board** or other witnesses, showing conclusively the inability and misconduct of Governor Young's 'deathbed' appointees, **Howell**, Redmond and **Norcross** to continue as members of the **California Chiropractic Board**, is now, and for a long time has been, in the hands of **Colonel Carlos W. Huntington**, who is the representative of Governor Rolph, in the matter of their removal.

- ad for **Grand View Sanatorium** at 1826 Workman Mill Road, **Whittier** CA; Directors are Drs. EE Lewarton and C. Buemann, Staff Associate is Dr. JC Langdon (p. 13)
- notes recent action of Governor William H. Murray of Oklahoma requiring hospital privileges for DCs (p. 15)
- notes annual state convention of the **CCA**'s southern division at Breakers Hotel in Long Beach on November 21-23 (p. 16)

1932 (Jan); **CCA Bulletin** (1[4]) reports:

- death of Linden LD McCash DC of Berkeley, **photo** of McCash in jail (p. 1)
- "Governor Rolph hears **CCA** plea for removal of **Howell**, Redmond and **Norcross**" (p. 2)
- Rattledge College graduation of 13 students on December 18, 1931 (p. 6)
- San Diego Branch of CCA includes NC **Oakley**, George **Parchen** and MH **Disney** DC (p. 6)
- notes death on 12/13/31 of John Alexander McCarl DC, "one of the earliest graduates of the **Rattledge** School of Chiropractic of Los Angeles" and former treasurer of the Alameda County Chiropractic Society (p. 9)
- letter from **Craig M. Kightinger** DC praising **CCA Bulletin** (p. 10)
- report on convention of **CCA** Southern Division in November, 1931, including **BJ Palmer** and many resolutions (pp. 13-4)
- ad for **Clear View Sanitariums** in LA (15913 S. Western Ave.) and Davenport (p. 15)

1932 (Apr); **CCA Bulletin** (1[6]) reports:

- editorial reports meeting of **Howell**, Redmond and **Norcross** before Governor Rolph (pp. 2-3)
- reports "X-ray For **Rattledge**":

The **Rattledge Chiropractic College** has announced the opening of a new X-ray laboratory in connection with the institution. The most up-to-date full-spine equipment has been installed and the school expects to do Spinograph work for the Chiropractors of the district.

LH McLellan DC, a graduate of the **Palmer School of Chiropractic**, is in charge of the department.

Dr. McLellan, who only recently arrived in California, is a dynamic and outstanding figure in the field of X-Ray and Spinography. His enthusiasm is contagious.

Students of the **Rattledge** institution should become expert X-Ray Technicians, Spinal Analysts and Spinographers under his instruction. (p. 5)

- ad for "Homer J. Castellaw, Attorney-at-Law, Suite 1112, Banker's Bldg., 629 South Hill Street, Los Angeles" (p. 5)
- ad for "**Rattledge Chiropractic College**...**New Location**, 232 So. Hill St., Los Angeles" (p. 6)
- photo** of "C. Russell Willett DC, Appointed to the **California State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** by Governor James Rolph, Jr.":

Dr. Willett was graduated from the **California Chiropractic College** in San Francisco, about ten years ago, since which time he has practiced in the City of San Francisco. He has been an active member of the

California Chiropractic Association, Northern Division, of which division he acted as president for two terms. He was appointed by the **CCA** to act in the amalgamation of the **CCA** with the **PCA** of the Northern Division, in which capacity he did valiant service. (p. 7)

-**photo** of "CE Walker DC, Appointed to the **California State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** by Governor James Rolph, Jr." (p. 7):

Dr. Walker was graduated from the **American University of Chicago**, and is a postgraduate of **Pacific Chiropractic College, Portland**, Oregon. He practiced for some time in Grass Valley, Nevada County, California, before moving to Redding, Shasta County, where he settled, and has maintained a practice since 1921.

-ad for "**CALIFORNIA CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE**, Incorporated and Chartered 1913, 210 So. First Street, **San Jose**, Calif., Completely Equipped, Fully Accredited; Dr. FJ Schuster, Pres., Dr. SS Farmer, Vice-Pres., Dr. AE Rowe, Sec.-Treas." (p. 7)

-"LEGISLATION ON MEDICINAL LIQUOR," under National Prohibition Act, article reprinted from **JAMA**, January 23, 1932 (pp. 10-11)

-"SAYS CHIROPRACTORS MAY CERTIFY DEATHS" according to ruling of CA Attorney-General US Webb (p. 11)

1937 (Aug): **The Scientific Chiropractor** (3[3]) includes:

-ad and **photo** of **Doctors' Hospital** at 325 W Jefferson Blvd, LA, Dr. Howard Norcross, Director (p. 25)

-note recent examinees for DC license, including **Raymond H. Houser** of San Diego, **Delbert J. Metzinger** of LA, and Edward W. **Rohlfing** DC of Sacramento (p. 24)

1937 (Oct): **The Scientific Chiropractor** (3[5]) includes:

-ad for **Eacrett Laboratories** at 1115 Garfield Bldg, 403 W 8th St at Hill, LA, **Clifford B. Eacrett** DC, Director; lab "all clinical examinations including basal metabolic tests", 14x36" upright spinal x-ray (inside front cover)

-notes next regular meeting of the LA County Division of the **NACC** will be 10/28/37 at Weiss CAfe, 636 S Ardmore, corner of Wilshire in LA; speakers will be Stanley M Innes DC, president of the **NACC** and **AC Johnson** DC (p. 12)

-**Otis M. McMurtrey** DC at 2520.5 W 7th St, LA is representative for the McManis Table Co. of Kirksville MO (p. 16)

-notes that SF branch of **NACC** held meeting on Oct 1-3, 1937 at St Francis Hotel in SF; speakers included **GT O'Sullivan** PhD on x-ray, Terrence J. **Bennett** on "Autonomic Nervous System"; J Edwin **Crapo** is judge in a "Perfect Back Contest" (p. 17)

-ad for **Doctors' Hospital** at 325 West Jefferson Blvd, LA, Dr. Howard Norcross, Director; hospital offers major surgery and obstetrics (p. 25)

-ad for **Bleything Laboratories** at 2318 W 7th St, LA, also offices in Oakland and Portland OR; offer "therapeutic colloids, essential food products, endocrine extracts" (p. 28)

-ad and **photo** for **Grand View Sanitarium** at 1826 Workman Mill Road, Whittier CA; **DR Morris** DC, PhC is superintendent (**and Tom Morris' son**), EE Lewarton DC, PhC is Chief of Staff (p. 31)

-ad and **photo** for Dr C **Beeman's Chiropractic Sanitarium** at 1826 Workman Mill Road, Whittier CA; **C Beeman** DC is Chief Of Staff (p. 34)

-ad for **College of Chiropractic Physicians** at 1609 W 9th St, LA, **RC Bertheau** DC is president, teaches the "art of drugless healing, Chiropractic", has hospital facilities (p. 47)

1938-39 class **photo** of **SCCC** lists 22 graduates including one black and 7 females; **Ralph J. Martin** among the graduates

-officers include:

***Clifford B. Eacrett** DC ND, President (replacing RC Bertheau DC, ND; see also 6/22/38)

-new administration and trustees include:

-*Otis M **McMurtrey** DC, ND, Chairman, Board of Directors

-***Wolf Adler** DC, ND, Dean

-RC **Howe** AB, DC, ND, Sec'y-Treasurer

-*FD Schuman, Manager

-*LE Montenegro DC, ND, Director of Clinics

faculty are:

-**Claude F. Gillett** DC (**brother of Clyde**)

-Mabelle Kelso Shaw DC, **PhC**

-Ralph D. Hoard DO

-*Lee H **Norcross** DC, ND (formerly at **LACC** and one time member of CA **BCE**)

-*Henry A. Stevens DO

-*Edmund Marineau DC, ND

-*Nathan Mehnick DC

1940 (July 8): **Wolf Adler**, dean of **SCCC** cables HL **Truenbach** DC, President of **NYCC** re: transcripts for Julius H Yellin, copied on **SCCC** stationery; **SCCC** offers "complete clinics, colonic therapy, electro-therapy, fever-therapy, hydro-therapy, **naprapathy**, naturopathy, obstetrics" (LACC Registrar's Archives); letterhead lists other administrators:

-**Clifford B. Eacrett**, DC, president

-Otis S. **McMurtrey**, chairman of the Board (former president of the **Progressive Chiropractic Association of California**; marketer of McMannis tables)

-RC **Howe**, Sec'y-Treasurer

-Lee H. **Norcross**, Director of Clinics

-FD Schuman, Manager

1940: **photo** shows 15 graduates at **SCCC** (LACC Registrar's Archives); Lee H **Norcross** DC, ND becomes new **Director of Clinics**; *Norman K Lovas DC and ***Ralph J. Martin** DC, **PhC** have joined the faculty; other faculty are:

-Claude F. **Gillett** DC

-Mabelle Kelso Shaw DC, PhC

-Ralph D. Hoard DO

-Henry A. Stevens DO

-Edmund Marineau DC, ND

-Nathan Mehnick DC

1941: **photo** indicates (LACC Registrar's Archives) **SCCC** administration includes:

-**Clifford B. Eacrett** DC, ND, President

-Otis M **McMurtrey** DC, ND, **Vice-President**

-**Wolf Adler** ND, PhC, **LLB**, DC, Dean

-FD Schuman, Manager

-EP **Webb** ND, DC **Director of Clinics** (formerly **SCCC** Chairman of the Board in 1934-35; see also Dishman, 1991, who recalls learning foot manipulation from **Webb**)

faculty are:

-Lee H. **Norcross** DC, ND (**Faculty**)

-Claude F. **Gillett** DC, ND, DO

-Mabelle Kelso Shaw DC, PhC

-Ralph D. Hoard DO

-Norman K. Lovas DC, ND

-Ralph J. Martin ND, DC, PhC

-*Patrick **Lackey** ND, DC

-*George H. Haynes, ND, PhC, AB, DC

-*RE Dole (First Aid)

1942 (July 2): Robert W. **Dishman** graduation ceremony from the **SCCC** according to the College's graduation program; ceremonies are held at the First Universal Church, 1373 So. Alvarado St, LA:

Commencement Exercises
Thursday Evening, July 2, 1942
At 7:30 P.M.
First Universalist Church

PROGRAM
 PreludeSelected Music
 Processional March
 Invocation: Rev. Eldred Charles
 Vocal Selections: By Georgena Franz
 I Am an American.....
 A Perfect DayCarrie Jacobs Band
 Address of Welcome: Dr. Wolf Adler
 Hawaiian Selections: By Jonathan H. Aiau
 Na Lei o Hawaii (Song of the Island)
 Aloha Oe (Farewell to Thee)
 Valedictory: Bruce B. Hargrave
 Address: Judge William R. McKay (Superior Court)
 'The Challenge to Democracy'
 Salutatorian: Kathryn Rush Hughes
 Presentation of Diplomas and
 Conferring of Degrees
 Dr. C.B. Eacrett, Dr. Otis M. McMurtrey
 Benediction: Rev. Eldred Charles
 Recessional

GRADUATING CLASS OF 1942
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Katherine G. Cassells	Rav. G. Lovas
J. Warren Chandler	William M. MacDonald
Clark Clopton	Fred R. Mason
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Robert E. Hoyt	Thomas C. Sue
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1942: *LE Montenegro DC, ND, Sec'y-Treasurer of SCCC; George H Haynes, ND, PhC, AB, DC, is new Director of Clinics; faculty are:

- Lee H. Norcross DC, ND
- Claude F. Gillett DC, ND, DO
- Mabelle Kelso Shaw DC, PhC
- Norman K. Lovas DC, ND
- Patrick Lackey ND, DC
- *Henry G. Higley DC, PhC, ND

-*Lyle D. Holland DC, ND (will become president of SCCC circa 1944-45, according to Martin, 1986; will sell practice to Harold D Young DC, LACC class of 1960 in 1962, according to Nilsson, 1962, Apr)

1944 (Jan 28): Dr. RC Allred, sec'y-treasurer of the Utah Society of Naturopathic Physicians & Surgeons at Suite 321-22 McIntyre Bldg, Salt Lake City, writes to Lee H. Norcross ND, Dean of the CNP&S re: apparently inadequate preparation for naturopathic licensure (LACC Registrar's Archives)

1944 (Feb 15): Lee Norcross ND, Dean of the CNP&S responds to letter of 1/28/44; indicates that academic standards have not been lowered despite the drain of students produced by the war, that a short course (50 hours) in naturopathy had been offered to Arizona-licensed naturopaths at their request, and that the diploma had been clearly intended to be "honorary" and not meant to qualify for licensure in any jurisdiction (LACC Registrar's Archives)

1944-45: SCCC graduation photo indicates 12 graduate; administration is:

- Clifford B. Eacrett DC, ND, President (last listing with SCCC?)
- Otis M. McMurtrey DC, ND, Vice-President
- Patrick Lackey ND, DC, Dean
- LE Montenegro DC, ND, Sec'y-Treasurer

faculty are:

- George H. Haynes, ND, PhC, AB, DC (Faculty)
- Wolf Adler ND, PhC, LLB, DC, DD (Faculty)
- Lee H. Norcross DC, ND
- Mabelle Kelso Shaw DC, PhC
- Ralph J. Martin DC, PhC (Martin will become president of SCCC during 1944-47 [Martin, 1977, 1986])
- *H. Rainford Guest DC, ND

1946 (May 13): letterhead of CNP&S indicates location at 1609 West Ninth Street, LA; "Directors" are:

- Patrick Lackey, president
- Otis M. McMurtrey, vice-president
- Ernest G. Johnson, sec'y-treasurer
- Lee H. Norcross, dean

-Clifford B. Eacrett
 "Members" are:

- RV Jones
- Raymond H. Houser, DC
- AN Nobles

- Howard **Norcross**, DO
 - Jennie Sewell
 - Glen Sipes
- 1947: RW **Dishman** DC helped Lee **Norcross** to develop **LACC's** graduate school (Dishman, 1991)
- 1948: first session of **LACC's** "Graduate School" under **Dr. Maynard Lipe** (LACC, 1986); **LACC Graduate School** "formulated" by RW **Dishman** and Lee **Norcross** (Dishman, 1991)
- 1949 (Apr): **JCaCA**, Volume 5, No. 9; this issue includes:
- Robert W **Dishman** DC, "Formerly, Assistant Professor of Neurology and Manipulative Technic, **LACC**" authors "The incurable backache: a new approach to its cause and correction" (pp. 5, 18, 28)
 - Lee Norcross** DC of **LACC** notes "the **Radionic** Research Society will hold classes in Oakland if there are sufficient numbers signifying interest" (p. 17)
- 1949 (?May?): **JCaCA**, Volume 5, No. 10; this issue includes:
- Robert W. **Dishman** DC, "Formerly Professor of Neurology, **LACC**" authors "Practical answer to low backache, foot and leg pain" (pp. 3, 22, 24-5)
 - JO Empringham DC, "Chairman, Department of Radiology, **LACC**, Member of California Society of Roentgenology" authors continuing series called "Radiology of the gastro-intestinal tract" (pp. 9, 28)
 - Raymond H Houser** DC is "Administrative Dean" of **LACC** (p. 10)
 - Henry G Higley** DC, MS is president of the Citizens Rights Association (**CRA**); authors "Report of Citizens Rights Association" (p. 12)
 - Lee Norcross** DC, dean of the **LACC** grad school, will "direct the seminars" for upcoming (May 26-29) **CaCA** convention at Long Beach Municipal Auditorium (p. 14); **Norcross** notes **LACC** PG offering in pharmacology: "The proposed course, in addition to phytology, includes the following: biologicals, hormones, glandulars, vaccines, bacterins, antibiotics, anaesthetics, narcotics, dyes, coal tar derivatives, eclectic, concentrations, specific remedies, galenicals, and pharmaceuticals...the modern drugless practitioner should be familiar with every drug which may have been administered his patient by a previous medical practitioner"; courses offered at **LACC's** Oakland and LA campuses (p. 19)
- 1949 (Nov): **JCaCA**, Volume 6, No. 5:
- H Arvis Talley DC is president of **CaCA**
 - Lee Norcross** DC, dean of **LACC** grad school announces that MB **DeJarnette** DO, DC will offer a "four year post graduate course in the fundamentals" of **SOT** (p. 16)
 - "first week-end session of **Radionic** Research at the **LACC** campus for the calendar year 1949-50 was held September 24-25, according to Dr. Virginia Herman...of value to all **radionists**; i.e., Paraphysical Approach to **Radionics**, Radionic Jurisprudence, Clinical Observations and Office Observations and Office Procedures"; radionics class was presented in Oakland on Oct 1-2 and Nov 5-6 (p. 17)
 - Harry R. **Bybee** DC, president of **NCA** and president of the All-Southern States Chiropractic Association, authors "**ICA** propaganda promotes disunity in chiropractic; **NCA** fights it with facts; an expose of what is wrong with the **ICA**" (pp. 19, 26, 28)
 - S. Earl Daughenbaugh** DC, age 57, founder & member of the 1st Board of Directors of the **Bellevue Chiropractic Hospital** in Hollywood, dies Nov 5 (p 25)
- 1950 (Aug): **Journal of the NCA** [20(8)] indicates:

- front cover features **Floyd Cregger** DC's **photo**; LM Rogers DC's editorial (p. 6) indicates:
 - Our front cover this month honors Dr. Floyd Cregger of Los Angeles, California, president of the **NCA** Key Member Club.
 - Dr. Cregger is really one of the 'show me boys,' having first seen the light of day in Tipton, Missouri, on July 28, 1900. He received his preliminary education in Missouri and later moved to California where he met and married Peggy Casad in October, 1920 at Merced, California. They have been blessed with three fine children, F. Merton, Alta Reese, and Gary.
 - Dr. Cregger graduated from the **Ratlidge Chiropractic College** in 1925 and will have practiced his profession a quarter of a century this year. He has been eminently successful in his Los Angeles clinic and now has his son, Dr. F. Merton, associated with him.
 - He is the past president of the Los Angeles District Association (1935), California Chiropractic Association (1936), **NCA** State Delegate (1937-1944), Vice-President of the **NCA** (1946-1947), and Trustee of the **CRF** since 1948. He has also served for several years as a member of the **NCA** Committee on Radio Publicity.
 - He has been active in civic and fraternal affairs, serving as District Officer of the Lions International for two years and as District Chairman for four years. He is a veteran of World War I, and a member of the American Legion Post No. 715.
 - Dr. Cregger has always been in the forefront of all progressive movements in the profession and provided an enviable leadership for the **NCA** during his terms of office. He sponsored the **NCA** Key Member Club at Toronto in 1946, was elected president at Omaha in 1947, and has served efficiently since that time. The **NCA** Key Membership Club is one of the most exclusive organizations in the **NCA**, since membership is limited to those who have enrolled three or more new members in one year. Its membership now comprises nearly 100 members, all of whom have rendered yeoman service to the **NCA**.
 - His most charming and capable wife, Peggy, has indeed been a helpmate to him, having served as President of the National Women's Chiropractic Auxiliary (1944-1946), and being still active in the councils of the organization.
 - We acknowledge, with grateful appreciation, the outstanding example of service to the **NCA** that 'Dr. Floyd' and his wife, Peggy, have given unstintingly to the organization and the profession generally. May his enviable record inspire others to a life of service, which brings its own satisfaction and rewards. (Rogers, 1950).
 - photo** taken in front of new Glendale campus includes: Harry Scott, Business Manager of **LACC**; **Ralph J. Martin**, president; **Raymond Houser** DC, dean; **Lee Norcross** DC, graduate school dean; **Harry Bybee** DC, president of the **NCA** (p. 12)
- 1951 (Apr): **Chirogram** [20(4)] includes:
- "This Month's cover: Lee H. Norcross, D.C., Dean Graduate School" (p. 28):
 - With a background of 28 years in practice, Dr. Norcross is exceptionally qualified for the high position which he occupies in the Graduate School. Born in New York State, he moved with his family to Texas in 1900, where he completed his elementary and high school education. Interested in Theology, Lee Norcross pursued this study in Miami, Florida, completing the four year course.
 - Pharmacy became his next interest. The study of this subject led him to a position with the Sun Drug Company whose headquarters were in Los Angeles. During the 1920 campaign for the Chiropractic Initiative, he was asked, because of his drug connections, to publicize objections to the initiative. This, his first contact with the profession, aroused an interest which resulted in his enrolling in the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic. In 1924 he became a member of the faculty of L.A.C.C. and has continued to be engaged in the educational field from that time on. From 1928 to 1931 Dr. Norcross served as a member of the State Board of Examiners. Following this, he served as Director of the Southern California College of Chiropractic.

During the period of organization of the present L.A.C.C., he began organizing the Graduate School and assisted in the formation of the Educational and Specialty Societies. His vision, unbounded enthusiasm, and wide experience commands the respect of the profession.

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Letter from David Aytes, DC to J. Keating, 8/6/93:

Dear Dr. Keating,

Thank you for your interesting letter and purpose. I compliment you.

My granddaughter, Debbie, is a wonderful lady.

9/1/37 I entered LACC as a student, evening classes.

Dr. A.V. Nilsson taught anatomy.

Dr. Wilma C. Wood was president of the school.

Dr. Frank B. Hamilton taught O.B. and gynecology clinic.

I did not meet Dr. Linnie A. Cale, but heard much of her.

Dr. George Haynes was our chemistry teacher.

Dr. Higley taught.....

I heard much of Dr. Goodfellow, but never met him.

I heard much of Dr. Bernard Jensen, but never met him

Dr. Ralph Martin taught diagnosis.

Dr. Maynard Lipe taught psychiatry.

Dr. Delbert Metzinger taught technic and adjusting. He and Dr. A.V. Nilsson were backbone which held the college together.

Dr. F. Miner was an excellent adjuster, student.

Dr. Leo Montenegro was a popular student, not in our class.

Dr. Lee Norcross became our CCA legal advisor.

I visited the Ratledge school once. He preceeded me.

Dr. L.P. Roberts taught diagnosis.

1941- I dropped out of school due to WWII, enlisted in U.S. Navy Hospital Corps, served with U.S. Marines, sent to Hawaii, completed a **cost of Area** Naval Hospital Base, returned and **?????** discharge, and returned to Fresno, CA, to be with my wife and son and **???** twins.

1948- Returned to LACC to complete and graduate 6/15/50 with 5200 hours class time + navy experience gained.

1950. 1/15/50 graduated, passted State Board, received license.

9/1/50- Opened office in **???** Built practice on cases M.D.'s considered "hopeless," saw most recover and live normal lives. God promised wisdom to treat almost all types of cases successfully, from child deliveries to cancer.

I am now 80 years of age and ready to gbe transplanted to heaven to spend eternity with God. Best wishes upon your plans.

David Aytes, D.C.

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-former dean of the Hollywood College of Chiropractic (during the 1950s)

-writes in **Dynamic Chiropractic** on foot care

Telephone interview with J. Keating on 3/9/91

-graduated from Southern California College of Chiropractic Physicians & Surgeons

-knew TF **Ratledge** very well

-trained with Homer York; was alarmed with straight chiropractors willingness to treat serious respiratory infections with spinal adjustments only

Audio-taped interview with J. Keating on Saturday, 5/11/91 in Whittier CA

-attended Southern California College of Chiropractic (SCCC), which emphasized "physician-surgeon possibility" for DCs; school was aligned with NDs and DOs, wished to increase

scope of practice to include "at least minor surgery and the use of certain medicines"

-interdisciplinary faculty at **SCCC**: DCs, MDs, NDs, DOs, DSCs and athletic trainers

-"strapped the foot, various pads and tapes to take care of all kinds of ordinary chiropody ailments...."

-"we covered arch-supports, particularly the kinds chiropodists would make in their own offices...pads were glued into the shoe..."

-"we also did a lot of taping of the foot...."

-all foot manipulation instruction from DCs; DSCs didn't teach foot manipulation

-overall, not a great deal of instruction in footcare; most students were not interested; however, a few DCs were quite interested, especially those involved in dealing with sports injuries (circa 1940), who did a lot of taping

1943: Dr. D in navy at amputation/rehab center of naval hospital in Vallejo CA, where he was in charge of the PT department; when Lt Commander (MD) arrived to take over department, Dishman (not commissioned) was required to get MD's prescription to adjust patients

-"in about two months I was fully occupied giving adjustments"

-**Ted Shrader** DC worked in brace shop at same naval hospital, made foot orthotics

1947: Dishman teaches his first footcare seminar to 25-30 doctors at Royal Palms Hotel; not college-sponsored because **LACC** had no post-graduate program; Dishman had already published several papers on chiro footcare

1947: speaks with **Lee Norcross** at **LACC** re grad school offerings in orthopedics and footcare

1948: Dishman moves to Pomona, starts foot orthotics lab in Pomona; "got away from **LACC**, and the next thing I knew Dr. **Lipe** had started the orthopedic class about 1948. I came back...."; continues to operate Pomona lab

-Dishman taught **LACC** grad seminars at various CA cities

-Dr Webb (**LACC? SCCC?**) regularly treated feet by manipulation (DC?, **maybe DO?**)

-Dr. **Hoard?** (DO) was an "excellent manipulator of the foot"

-faculty at **COP&S** did foot manip; occassionally gave foot technique seminars at **SCCC**; "it was quite specific"

-Delbert J. **Metzinger** DC "he was an excellent foot manipulator....he manipulated every joint in the body... one of his students was **Elmer Bones**" who later served on faculty at Hollywood College of Chiropractic

-"Metzinger lineage" included **Elmer Bones**, AI? Logan (no relation to Vinton; wrote book on manipulation), Franklin Miner

-**Metzinger** and Hiss Clinics were "leading" providers of foot manipulation

-Dishman also learned foot manip informally from Mel Wheadon DC

-**Metzinger** and **Bones** strove for audibles, sometimes hurt patients; **Metzinger**, **Ratledge** and **Homer York** were exclusively "articular thrusters"

-Dishman prefers osteopathic techniques ("relieving fibrosis by mobilization rather than thrusting") & soft-tissue methods & stretching because more gentle, painless

-Hiss Clinic: surprised Dishman; elevated chair for seated manip, some standing manipulations; no table; Hiss had a "volume practice, but not as much as Locke"; Hiss Clinic emphasized "high velocity thrusting"

-"Locke was a legend....probably an exaggeration....all different types of people....ballet and other dancers were disabled....", got quick relief from Locke

-Locke's methods: Dishman had heard that "he delivered a high velocity kind of thrust, and he did it very quickly. All the Locke maneuvers that we've been taught were high velocity thrusting...."