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ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the American Association of Railway Surgeons will be held in the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, October 17, 18, 19, 1916.

MEETING OF ROCK ISLAND SURGEONS.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Surgical Association of the Rock Island Lines will be held in St. Paul, Minn., September 27-28, 1916.

S. C. Plummer, Secretary.

A YEAR'S WORK OF THE MILWAUKEE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION.

We learn from the seventh annual report, for the year 1915, that while the number of contributors was over 11 per cent less than in 1914, there were more cases treated, and the amount of services was about the same. Nearly 160 per cent of the employes received benefits during this time, and the total cost to the contributors was only 65 cents per month, though this included professional services, hospital care and other benefits.

Early in the year the hospital at Three Forks, Mont., owned by the Association, was opened for the care of patients. This is supplied with water from its own deep well, and has hot water heat, passenger elevator, electric lights, etc., as well as a clinical laboratory and x-ray room. The present building accommodates 30 patients, and has been constructed as the first unit of a general plan for greater facilities as needed. The Association now provides hospital accommodations in 25 hospitals extending from Mobridge, S. D., to Seattle.

As regards cases treated, the Idaho District heads the list with 1,484, then come in order, Pacific District, 1,284; Yellowstone, 1,229; Rocky Mountain, 964; Dakota, 659; and Northern Montana, 211.

Training schools for nurses are maintained at Mobridge and at Three Forks.

During the year 1,128 patients were treated in the hospitals, and 15,644 days of hospital care were furnished. Of the more than 16,000 patients treated, death resulted in only 40.

Altogether a very good showing.