

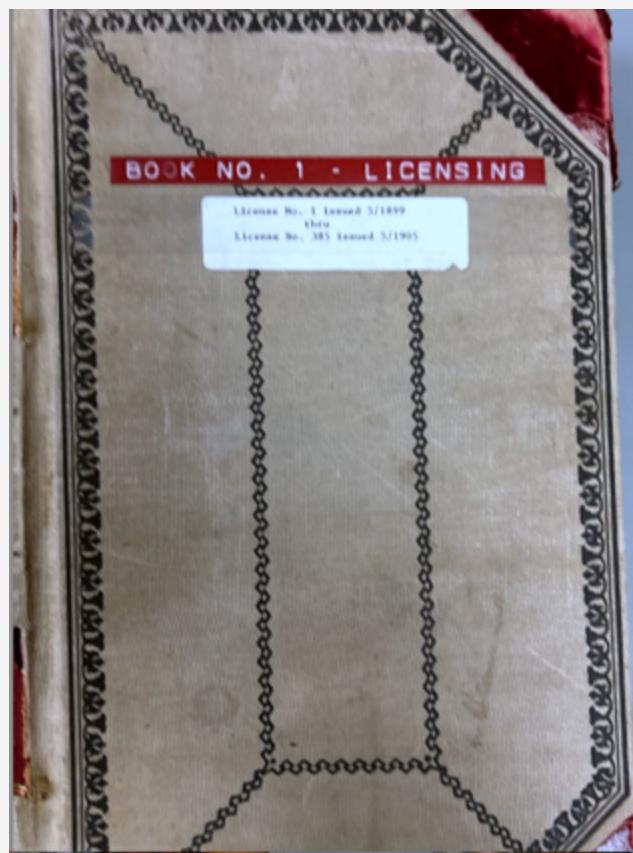


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**NEVADA ISSUES FIRST M.D. LICENSE, 1899**

**By Anton Sohn, M.D.**

I went with friend and Attorney Jerry Mowbray to Nevada State Board of Medical License (BME) Reno Office to see their historical collection of medical licenses. Their most important item was 1899 ledger with licenses, No. 1 to 385.



1899 Ledger with Licenses, 1 to 385

8	Certificates	78
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1	Registers of Physicians in the State of Nevada, under an Act entitled an Act for the Creation of a Board of Medical Examiners for the State of Nevada. Approved March 16 <sup>th</sup> 1894.	
2	W. H. Hood M.D. Medical Department of University of Michigan. Certificate issued May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1894. Baltimore Maryland.	
3	John A. Ascher M.D. Cherry Creek, Nevada. College of Physicians & Surgeons of Chicago, Ill. Certificate issued May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1894.	
4	Charles L. Hammond M.D. Eureka, Nev. College of Physicians & Surgeons of Chicago, Ill. Certificate issued May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1894.	
5	Amos Cameron Olmstead M.D. Elko, Nevada. Cooper Medical College of San Francisco, Cal. Certificate issued May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1894.	
6	James Evans M.D. Gardnerville, Nevada. Baltimore, Md. Medical College. Certificate issued May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1894.	
7	Alfred H. Hansen M.D. Minersville, Nev. Olney Medical College of San Francisco, Cal. Certificate issued May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1894.	
8	Maquet J. Davis M.D. Caliente, Nev. Cincinnati College of Physicians & Surgeons. Certificate issued May 29 <sup>th</sup> 1894.	

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### Ledger, Page 1

**License 1**, William Henry Hood, Elko, M.D. Michigan University.

**License 2**, John Alfred Ascher, Sparks, M.D. College Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago.

**License 3**, (no photo) Charles Lewis Hammond, Eureka, M.D. College Physicians and Surg. Chicago.

**License 4**, Amos Cameron Olmstead, Wells, M.D. Cooper Medical College (now Stanford U) S.F.

**License 5**, (no photo) James Evans, Gardnerville, M.D. Baltimore Maryland Medical College.

**License 6**, (no photo) Thomas H. Hausen, Winnemucca, M.D. Toland Med. College S.F. (now U of CA).

**License 7**, (no photo) Magnet J. Davis, Golconda, M.D. Cincinnati College of Medicine.



Dr. W.H. Hood, Elko #1



Dr. J.A. Ascher, Sparks #2



Dr. A.C. Olmstead, Wells #4

**Dr. Hood said he got license No. 1 because no doctor in his area had \$1**

(\$1 in 1899 = \$37.18 in 2024). A copy Dr. Hood's license No. 1 is in Sohn Great Basin History of Medicine Museum at UNRSOM.

#### From our readers

##### **Dr. John Gray**

I hope all is well with you. I appreciate the work you do on *Greasewood Tablettes*. I really enjoy reading them

##### **Dr. Bob LaPierrier, Curator SSVMS Museum of Medical History, 5380 Elvas Avenue, Sacramento CA 95819**

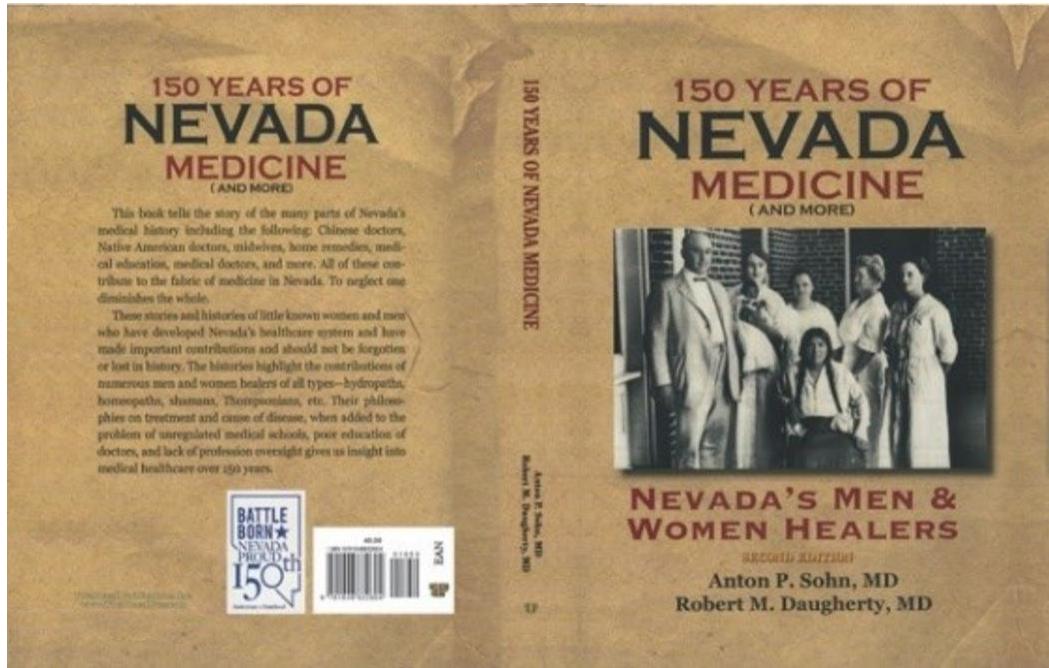
Anton, it has been quite a few years since we met. I want to thank you for keeping me on the mailing list for *Greasewood Tablettes*. (Dr. Anton Sohn: We met in the 1980s when I was involved in the NV State Med Association.)

##### **Dr. Sam Parks**

I received latest *Greasewood Tablets* and noticed the article by Dr. Peter Costa, regarding penicillin and his mother. Thanks for putting this in. I am so glad that the penicillin mold and display item are attracting people's attention. I have always thought that the mold of penicillin and the picture of my father-in-law with Dr Fleming was really interesting. By being on display this story will "live" a long time. I am sure that ALL of the items and stories you have on display in the History of Medicine Museum will be of great interest.

### Fleming's Original Penicillin Culture

Because I got no advice "From Our Readers" on Fleming's penicillin culture, I threw it in the trash. Joke! Joke!



### 150 Years of Nevada Medicine (and More)

**Overview:** Contents include **Medical Education** (Establishment of Nevada's first medical school led by Dr. Fred Anderson in 1969); **Development of Medical Specialties** (Pediatrician Anthony Huffaker was first in 1891); **Native American Healers** (Herbal medicine used for hundreds of years); **Chinese Medicine** (Chinese doctors came with builders of railroads in the West in the 1800s); **Hospitals** (Nevada's first hospital was St. Mary Louise in Virginia City in 1867); **Diseases** (polio, smallpox, and Hanta virus standout as being the most prevalent);

**Important 19th- and 20th-Century Doctors** (In 1951, Dr. Charles Daggett was the first doctor in what would become Nevada. He treated Mormon Apostle Orson Hyde's frozen feet in 1855, thereby recording the first recorded treatment of a patient in "Future Nevada"); and **Frontier Military Medicine at Nevada's Seven Forts:** (Camp Nye (1862-1865), Fort Churchill (1860-1869), Fort Halleck (1867-1886), Fort Ruby (1862-1869), Fort Scott (1866-1871), Fort McDermit (1865-1889), and Fort McGarry (1866-1868) were established to protect emigrant trails.

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