

## Publisher's Department

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**EXHIBITION OF PHOSPHORUS.**—In "Ovaltine" the physician has at his service a means to the easy and adequate administration of Phosphorus. In such conditions as neurasthenia, general debility and pulmonary tuberculosis, where disintegration of the tissues exceeds integration, phosphorus is deficient, and therefore if an easily digested and assimilable form of phosphorus can be presented, some advance has been made for the treatment of such cases.

"Ovaltine" is a food rich in phosphatides mainly in the form of Ovo-Lecithin, and as evidence seems to point to questionable value of inorganic phosphorus, and the ready absorption of organic forms, in "Ovaltine" we have a convenient, inexpensive and pleasant form of administering this important and valuable element.

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**PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS AND THE WAR.**—When Sir Alfred Keogh suggested six years ago that a sanitary service should be formed from the ranks of the principal medical officers of health in the country in order that the troops might have the advantage of their expert services in times of emergency his proposal met with approval on all hands. It is true that it has not been found necessary to mobilize the entire service, and for very good reasons. At the same time individual members have been called up and are engaged in work which is of the greatest service to the country. Their duties are not of a light character, and they are associated with large responsibilities, causing anxious thought and requiring knowledge of a special character. With respect to nearly every one of those medical officers of health who have been called upon to act in the manner indicated, the local authorities they serve have without the least demur given willing consent, and have realized that they must, in common with others, make some sacrifice for the common good. This is not the time to enter upon new municipal enterprises with the country valiantly struggling for its very existence, and the sensible members of local authorities are giving expression to this opinion and acting upon it, though we regret to learn that the Local Government Board does not