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**Chronology of
 RAYMOND L. NIMMO, D.C.**

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Year/Volume Index to the *Journal of the National Chiropractic Association* (1949-1963), formerly *National Chiropractic Journal* (1939-1948), formerly *The Chiropractic Journal* (1933-1938), formerly *Journal of the International Chiropractic Congress* (1931-1932) and *Journal of the National Chiropractic Association* (1930-1932):

Year	Vol.	Year	Vol.	Year	Vol.	Year	Vol.
		1941	10	1951	21	1961	31
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1933	1	1943	12	1953	23	1963	33
1934	3	1944	14	1954	24		
1935	4	1945	15	1955	25		
1936	5	1946	16	1956	26		
1937	6	1947	17	1957	27		
1938	7	1948	18	1958	28		
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1940	9	1950	20	1960	30		

Chronology

1904 (Nov 13): Raymond L. Nimmo born in Ft. Worth TX (Dzaman et al., 1980)

1923: Nimmo attends Tarleton State U in Stephenville TX (Dzaman et al., 1980)

1926: Nimmo graduates from the PSC, according to his letter to TF Ratledge of 7/25/35 & Dzaman et al. (1980)

1935 (July 25): letter to T.F. Ratledge, D.C. from R.L. Nimmo, D.C. of Room 204 Masonic Buldg, Perry OK:
 Dr. F.F. [sic] Ratledge

232 South Hill St.
 Los Angeles, California
 Dear Doctor Ratledge:

I received copies of your letters to Dr.'s Barrows and Galliher. I enjoyed reading them very much, and compliment you on your firm stand for Chiropractic, and the brilliant manner in which you expressed it.

I have heard many favorable things said of your school, several of them said by Dr. Palmer. It is indeed gratifying to know there are some schools left which have the acumen to see in Chiropractic a thing within itself, and the intelligence and character to stand up for those principles which will give it posterity and fight those things which in time may destroy it.

I am enclosing a booklet which I wrote and published that should clearly show my stand on Chiropractic. I have had many

favorable comments on this book, from B.J. on down. I have sold thousands of them -- got in an order yesterday from Scotland -- and it has been off the press only a short time. I hope that you will not dislike it. In the future I plan to write and publish much more.

Again let me express my respect for you in having the character and foresight to take the stand that you take.

Very truly yours,
 R.L. Nimmo

P.S. I was taking the state board in Oklahoma for the reason that I have only recently located here. I graduated from the PSC in 1926, and have until last December, practiced in Texas.

1942: Nimmos serves in Hospital Corps, U.S.N.R. (Dzaman et al., 1980)

1947 (June): Nimmo marries Arlene Holmes (Dzaman et al., 1980)

c1951: RL Nimmo DC, president of the Green Feather Organization, publishes "Course for Survival" pamphlet; mentions Walter Wardwell PhD's doctoral dissertation (TCC Special Collections)

1963 (Mar 11): letter to Raymond L. Nimmo at Box 416 Granbury TX from Stanley Hayes DC of Tucson AZ; Hayes notes his articles in JNCA re: "The chiropractic subluxation - a new hypothesis"

1963 (Mar 21): letter with attached "Course of Instruction" from Raymond L. Nimmo at Box 416 Granbury TX to Stanley Hayes DC of Tucson AZ

1963 (Apr 29): letter to Raymond L. Nimmo at Box 416 Granbury TX from Stanley Hayes DC of Tucson AZ

1963 (Nov 12): letter to Raymond L. Nimmo at Box 416 Granbury TX from Stanley Hayes DC of Tucson AZ

1964 (Jan 28): letter with attached notes on "The Receptor-Tonus Method" from "Raymond L. Nimmo, D.C., Developer" at Box 416 Granbury TX from Stanley Hayes DC of Tucson AZ

1966 (Jan/Feb): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [8(4)] includes:

-two-page ad from Raymond L. Nimmo, D.C. of Granbury TX entitled "Conques of pain; conquest of distortion" (pp. 44-5)

1967 (Mar/Apr): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [9(5)] includes:

-full-page ad for Receptor Tonus technique, featuring Raymond L. Nimmo DC & James F. Vannerson, MA, DC (p. 24)

1967 (May/June): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [9(6)] includes:

-full page ad, "Trigger Point Therapy... What is it?" (p. 49) from Dr. Harold Carl of Port Jefferson Station NY

1968 (Feb 20): letter from Raymond L. Nimmo at Box 416 Granbury TX to "Dr. Shipley"

1968 (Sept/Oct): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [11(2)] carries Nimmo's ad for "Conquest of Pain" (p. 43)

1968 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [11(3)] includes:

-"Teach-in' is new method at Parker Seminar" (p. 4); notes Parker seminar at Las Vegas during 9-12 January 1969 will feature Clarence Gonstead, D.C.; Raymond Nimmo, D.C., Major B. DeJarnette, D.O., D.C. and Richard Van Rump, D.C.; **photos** of each

-Nimmo's ad for "Conquest of Pain" (p. 49)

1969 (Jan/Feb): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [11(4)] includes:

-"Parker meeting at Las Vegas" (p. 6); includes photograph of (left to right): Clarence Gonstead, D.C. of Mount Horeb WI; Raymond Nimmo, D.C. of Grandbury TX; Jimmy Parker, D.C.; Major B. DeJarnette, D.O., D.C. of Nebraska City NB; Richard VanRump, D.C. of Santa Barbara CA



-ad for Receptor Tonus technique from Nimmo (p. 43)

1969 (May/June): **DCE** [11(3)] includes:

-Nimmo's ad "An open letter to the entire chiropractic profession" (p. 51)

1969 (Sept/Oct): **DCE** [12(2)] includes:

-James F. Vannerson MA, DC & Raymond L. Nimmo DC author "The 'silent disease': prostatovesiculism, its place in chiropractic practice" (pp. 12-4, 16-9)

1969 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [12(3)] includes:

-James F. Vannerson, B.A., B.S., M.A., D.C. of Purcell OK, Associate Instructor, Nimmo Technical Seminars, authors "A manipulative procedure for the treatment of prostatovesiculism" (pp. 18-20, 22-3)

c1970: Nimmo publishes **The Receptor** [1(1)]

c1970: Nimmo publishes **The Receptor** [1(2)]

1971 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [14(3)] includes:

-ad for Nimmo seminars (p. 54):

1971: Nimmo publishes **The Receptor** [2(1)]; includes article by James F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. and RL Nimmo, "Specificity and the law of facilitation in the nervous system"

1972 (Jan/Feb): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [14(4)] includes:

-ad for Nimmo seminars (p. 56)

1974 (Mar/Apr): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [16(5)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "A neurological explanation of acupuncture" (pp. 22-4, 26-9); includes photograph of Dr. Vannerson:



1974 (May/June): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [16(6)] includes:

-J.F. Vanerson, M.A., D.C. authors "A neurological explanation of acupuncture" (pp. 40-1, 46-7)

1974 (July/Aug): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [17(1)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "A neurological explanation of acupuncture. Part 3" (pp. 14-5, 17)

1974 (Sept/Oct): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [17(2)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "A neurological explanation of acupuncture. Part 4" (pp. 40-2, 44-5)

1974 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [17(3)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "A neurological explanation of acupuncture – Part 5" (pp. 52-3, 55-6)

1975 (Jan/Feb): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [17(4)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "A neurological explanation of acupuncture – part 6" (pp. 52-3, 82-4, 86-7, 89-90); includes:

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

J.F. Vannerson holds a Masters Degree from Texas Tech University plus thirty-seven semester hours of graduate work beyond the Masters Degree in the Wichita State University. He taught biology and other science subjects for six years in high schools and holds a permanent high school certificate from the State of Texas. Dr. Vannerson graduated from Palmer College of Chiropractic in 1934 and has taught nine years in chiropractic colleges including Kansas State Chiropractic College, Wichita, Kansas and Cleveland Chiropractic College, Los Angeles. He has practiced chiropractic continuously with very few interruptions since 1935. At the present he is conducting a chiropractic practice in Purcell, Oklahoma and is director of research for the Nimmo Technical Seminars.

1975 (Mar/Apr): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [17(5)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "The meridians of acupuncture: were they discoveries or were they inventions?" (pp. 73-4, 76)

1976 (Mar/Apr): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [18(5)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "My experience with brain-wave bio-feedback training" (pp. 56-7, 60-1, 63)

1976 (May/June): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [18(6)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. authors "My experience with brain-wave bio-feedback training with interpretations: Part 2" (pp. 38-42)

1977 (July/Aug): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [20(1)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. of Purcell OK authors "Sympathetic vascular functions in health: sympathetic vascular malfunctions in disease – Part 1" (pp. 24-6, 99-101)

1978 (Sept/Oct): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [21(2)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. of Purcell OK authors "Pain mechanisms and chiropractic theory" (pp. 22-3, 26-7, 92-4, 97)

1978 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [21(3)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. of Purcell OK authors "Pain mechanisms and chiropractic theory, Part 2" (pp. 60-1, 63-5, 68, 70)

1979 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [22(3)] includes:

-J.F. Vannerson, M.A., D.C. of Purcell OK authors "The dynamics of spinal distortion" (pp. 48-9, 51-2, 124, 126-7, 129)

1987 (Jan/Feb): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [29(4)] includes:

-"Dr. Raymond Nimmo (1904-1986)" (p. 7):

Dr. Raymond Nimmo, pioneer, teacher and innovator of the Receptor-Tonus Technique, died July 18th, 1986, in Grandbury, Texas. He was 81. Dr. Nimmo graduated from the Palmer School of Chiropractic in Davenport, IA in 1926.

A pioneer in chiropractic studies, Dr. Nimmo was a researcher, lecturer and author of several volumes of scientific work in neuromuscular disorders. He received the Daniel David Palmer Scientific Award from his alma mater in 1976 and was awarded many recognitions from various colleges and organizations.

Dr. Nimmo conducted over 200 seminars of his technique known as "Receptor-Tonus," or the "Nimmo Technique," in Europe, Australia, Canada, Puerto Rico and the United States. He was president of the Texas Chiropractic Association in 1976.

Founder of the Receptor-Tonus Council formed in 1984, Dr. Nimmo was honored this past June by the doctors carrying on his work. He was presented with a plaque adorned by a quote of his: "Besides standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before me, I have challenged everything all my life. I can't help it."

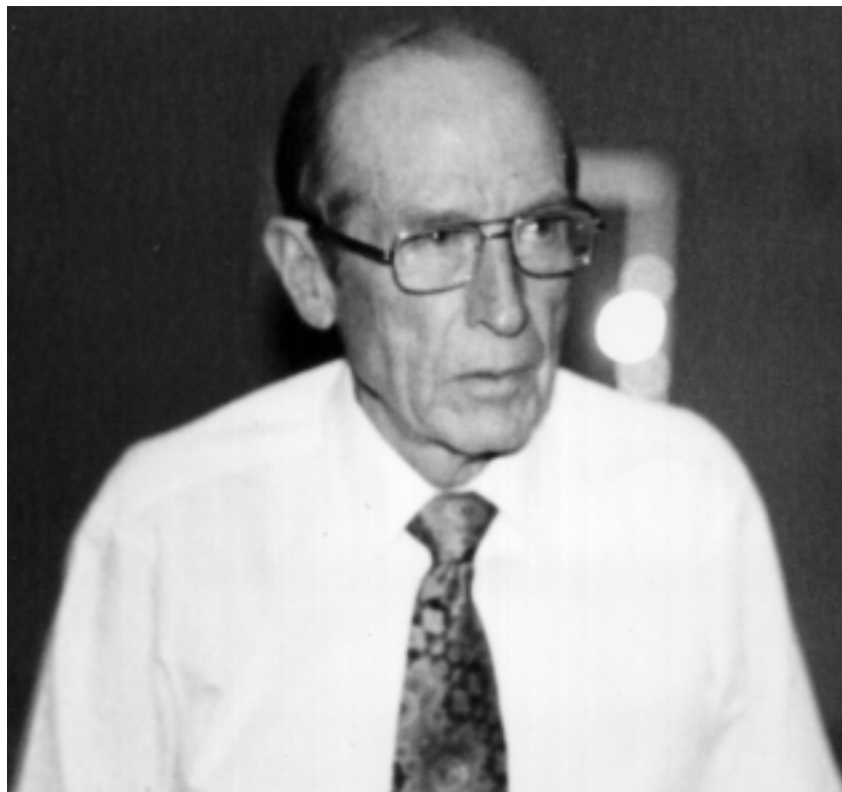
He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Arlene Holmes Nimmo.

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- Hayes S. A basic research project for every doctor of chiropractic. *Journal of the National Chiropractic Association* 1961 (May); 31(5): 33, 58, 60
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1946 at Spears Hospital in Denver; L to R: J.F. Vannerson DC, James R. Drain DC, Thurman G. Fleet DC, and Raymond L. Nimmo DC(see Fleet-Spears/TIFF)



Raymond L. Nimmo, D.C., 5 March 1977 (LACC Registrar's collection)