THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEDICINE IN WARTIME

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The standards of medical education in this country to-day undoubtedly are superior to those found in any other country in the world. Our public has available to it a quality of medical service elsewhere unsurpassed. One of the main problems in medical care is and has been for many years a distribution of talent, for admittedly the concentration of physicians in urban areas has been too great, whereas the dilution among rural populations has been a major and perplexing affair. However, this question of distribution of more physicians and of maintaining present medical standards is one which we can hardly expect to be satisfactorily solved during the present period. The method of production of more physicians and of maintaining present medical standards is one which

1 Concluding portion of the president's address before the American Medical Association at the ninety-third annual session, Atlantic City, N. J., June 9, 1942.