
ANESTHESIOLOGY REFLECTIONS

Connell Gas-Oxygen Apparatus, Brass Model War SP

A New York surgeon and manufacturer, Dr. Karl Connell (1878–1941) produced his War SP Model in a brass-and-copper-appointed version (the pretty “Officer’s” one seen here) and in a duller nickel-plated finish (presumably the “Enlisted Man’s” version). Used by Allied Forces in France and Belgium, and neutral services in the Netherlands during World War I, Connell’s “Special” SP featured a round brass plaque listing instructions in both English and French. The War SP Model exemplified the “rotary vane” type of flowmeter which succeeded the Connell Anesthetometer's piston-type and which preceded the inclined double-ball-bearing flowmeters of later Connell cabinet models. (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc. This image appears in the Anesthesiology Reflections online collection available at www.anesthesiology.org.)

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