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COLLEGE NEWS

AT THE meeting of the National Dental Association held in Louisville, Ky., last August, the College of Dentistry of Howard University was represented by Dean Russell A. Dixon and Drs. Adolphus Walton, John A. Turner, Percy A. Fitzgerald and Jackson L. Davis. Drs. Walton and Fitzgerald gave interesting clinics in their respective fields. Dr. Davis, of the Department of Operative Dentistry, was chosen President-elect of the Association, and Dr. Turner, of the Department of Oral Surgery, was elected Regional Vice-President. We feel sure that the duties of these offices will be discharged in a manner to reflect credit upon the incumbents, the school, and the association itself.

We miss the efficient services and the happy association of Dr. Percy A. Fitzgerald, of the Crown and Bridge Department, who is away on a year's leave of absence pursuing graduate study in Ceramics and Crown and Bridge Work at Northwestern University.

We are very pleased to announce formally the promotion of Dr. John A. Turner from Instructor in Dentistry to the rank of Assistant Professor of Oral Surgery, effective July 1, 1935.

Two newly appointed instructors have joined our faculty ranks. They are: Dr. Herman E. Gaskins, one of our own graduates of the Class of 1934, and Dr. Raymond L. Hayes, of the University of Indiana, of the Class of 1935.

The first faculty seminar for the school year 1935-36 was held on Monday, November 4, in the Dental Building. Dr. C. Thurston Ferebee addressed the meeting on the subject, "The Present Status of Periodontia and Its Importance in Oral Medicine." The lecture was illustrated with a lantern slide demonstration of cases under the essayist's treatment and supervision.

On Monday, December 16, Miss Alicia McKinney discussed in a very pleasing manner the all important subject, "Dental Health as a Social Problem." This proved to be a very popular subject and the presentation provoked a very interesting after discussion.

The program of the Seminar for the remainder of the year includes

discussions by members of the faculty in the following order: Drs. Adolphus Walton, Emmett J. Scott, Jackson L. Davis, Walter Garvin, and John A. Turner. Timely notice will be given on each occasion.

The Faculty of the College of Dentistry has adopted a policy for a series of informal social meetings during the year. The first of these took the form of a luncheon, and was held October 29 in the reading room of Sojourner Truth Hall. Dr. Walton was the delightful host on this occasion and a very pleasant hour was enjoyed.

On the second occasion, the night of Thursday, December 19, the Faculty met at the home of Dr. Turner for an informal evening at cards, checkers and other light games. Drs. Hendrick and Turner were the hosts at this meeting, and served a very tasty buffet supper. All were present and accounted for, and the success of the party was unanimously voted.

The Dental Hygienists were hostesses to the Faculty on November 21st at a tea given in the auditorium of the College of Pharmacy. On this occasion Dean Dixon addressed the class on "The Early Beginnings and the Development of Dental Hygiene as a Profession." Miss Amanda Bowman gave a very splendid report of the class activities so far. It was announced that Miss Marie Abrams, Dental Hygienist, Howard, '35, is engaged in volunteer work at Provident Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.

Several contributions to the dental museum have been received this fall. We again express very deep appreciation for the aid we have received so far in building up this feature of the College. We hope the graduates and friends will continue to contribute such worth while specimens as may come to their attention.

"Be silent and safe—silence never betrays you." — *John Boyle O'Reilly.*