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## GLEANINGS FROM OUR ALUMNI

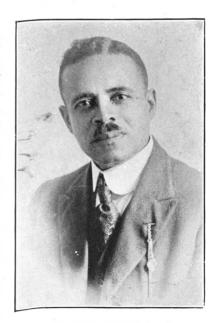
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THERE is nothing more stimulating to the ambition of our forward-looking students than a panoramic view of the specific successes and activities of our graduates who are contributing largely to community welfare in every section of the country. Again, there is nothing more exhilirating to classmates of former years than a "round-up" of our fellows through some direct contact. Therefore, through this particular column of each issue of this bulletin, there will come gleanings from many of the beloved sons and daughters of our dental school.

Thanks to our alumni promoters everywhere who give us, from time to time, news of themselves and their associates in nearby cities. May our graduates feel free to communicate with us concerning the locations and activities of fellow alumni that we may share, with others, this interesting information through the medium of this column.

#### 1899

We are happy to pass the word along that Dr. D. A. Ferguson, Dean of Virginia Dentists, father of organized dentistry among Negro dentists, and an early graduate of the College of Dentistry of Howard University, continues actively in the practice of dentistry as well as the development of Dental organizations. He has served as president of the Interstate Dental Association, the National Medical Association, and the National Dental Association. In these connections, he has distinguished himself as an organizer and has proved one of Howard's most useful and praiseworthy sons.



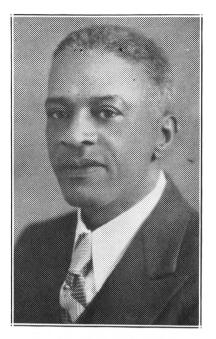
DR. ALVA C. GARROTT

News from the West reminds us that Dr. Alva C. Garrott has the distinction of being the pioneer Negro dentist of Southern California. He was the organizer of the Dental Study Club, and of the Western Federation of Tennis Clubs. At present, he is President of the Unity Finance Company of Los Angeles, Vice-President of the Los Angeles Urban League, and a member of the Sigma Pi Phi Frateinity.

#### 1910

Dr. William D. Giles of Chicago, gave a clinic in Oral Surgery before the Lincoln Dental Society of which he is a member. For the past few years, Dr. Giles has been attending post-graduate classes in Oral Surgery at Northwestern University Dental School.

Dr. Robert L. Williams, President of the Howard University Alumni Association of Los Angeles, California, has confirmed his faith in his Alma Mater by sending a son all the way from the West coast, here, to receive an education. Robert L. Williams, II, is president of the Senior class of the University. This is a very fine tribute to both the father and the son. Dr. Williams began practice in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and, after several years, moved to Los Angeles, California, where he has been in continuous practice at 12011/2 South Central Avenue, since that time.



DR. ROBERT L. WILLIAMS

#### 1912

Dr. J. Bell, after fourteen years of efficient service in the City Public School Clinic, has returned to private practice in St. Louis, Missouri.

Dr. Frank Coppage, of Norfolk, Virginia, former star athlete at Howard, is keeping fit, serving as Football Referee for the C. I. I. A. Dr. Coppage is also very active in Racial and Civic activities.

#### 1914

Dr. H. Claude Hudson, formerly of Shreveport, Louisiana, is now practicing at 4122 South Central Avenue, Los Angeles, California. Since graduation, he

has taken postgraduate work in denture construction at Northwestern University, and has graduated in Law from Loyola University in Los Angeles, California. Dr. Hudson is very active in civic affairs.

#### 1916

Dr. R. E. Beamon, of Cincinnati, Ohio, organized the dentists of greater Cincinnati five years ago. They called this organization "Molar Club," but later changed the name to the Ohio Valley Dental Society of which Dr. Beamon is president. are very proud of this wide-awake organization which boasts of 100 per cent attendance at meetings. Dr. Beamon contributed \$1,000.00 to the Endowment Fund subscribed by Howard University Alumni in 1927 for the new Medical Building. Dr. Beamon is, indeed, one of the truest friends of dental education and professional advancement.

#### 1917

Dr. Alice Watkins Garrott is associated in the practice of Dentistry with her husband, Dr. Alva C. Garrott, who has already been mentioned in this issue as the pioneer of California dentists. Dr. Watkins-Garrott was the first woman dentist to pass the Alabama Dental Board. She practiced there with her brother, Dr. W. F. Watkins, for two years, and moved



DR. ALICE WATKINS GARROTT

to Los Angeles after passing the California Board. She is a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Serority and prominent in civic and social circles.

#### 1918

Dr. Willard Grinnage: Reliable information has reached us that Dr. Grinnage has tossed his hat squarely in the middle of the ring with a definite likelihood of going to the Pennsylvania State Senate this spring. All old Howardites will remember Grinnage for his line-smashing feats in football back in the "good old days." May we say in football parlance then, "hit 'em hard," Grinnage! Aside

from being an active practitioner, Dr. Grinnage has shared an important role in developments in dentistry and social welfare. He is Past President of the Odonto-Chirurigical Society of Philadelphia, a member of the Executive Committee of the National Dental Association and an intense supporter of all projects for civic and community improvement.

Dr. H. A. McAllister has been appointed School Dentist for Hampton Institute, Hampton, Virginia.

Dr. Teabeau, who will be remembered as one of the varsity baseball stars from 1916 to 1918, has begun practice in St. Louis, Missouri, after several years of practice in Chicago.

Dr. M. M. Ward is Instructor in Chemistry at Whittaker Memerial Hospital, Newport News, Virginia. He also is serving as Dentist for the School for the Deaf and Blind of the same city.

Dr. M. D. Wiseman, one of the leading dentists of the East, and an alumnus of Howard University Dental College, has been most active in the affairs of the National Dental Association during the past few years. As its president, Dr. Wiseman will preside at the meeting of the Association when it convenes in Nashville next summer. Dr. Wiseman distinguished himself as a student and for many years served the Col-

lege of Dentistry as an instructor. His practice grew to the point that it was necessary to relinquish his teaching post; nevertheless, he continued his interest in dental organization. He has been secretary and president of the local dental society, secretary of the National Dental Association, and, now, president of that body.

#### 1920

Dr. W. P. Coleman, formerly known in the College of Dentistry as the "Senator," has been made president of the Old Dominion Dental Society. Dr. Coleman is located in Norfolk, Virginia.

Dr. L. A. (Billie) Fowlkes, former interne and research worker at the Forsyth Dental Infirmary, is serving as clinician for the State Board of Health and the Public Schools of Newport News, Virginia.

Dr. Charles C. Godden, of Washington, D. C., is serving his second term as President of the Robert T. Freeman Dental Society.

Dr. Stephen D. Miller, of St. Louis, Missouri, has returned to resume practice, after having recently completed a post-graduate course in Clinical Dentistry at his Alma Mater. Dr. Miller, though seasoned with years of experience in practice, represents the modern trend to keep pace with all new

developments. He reflects credit upon his profession.

Dr. Clarence (Duke) F. Holmes of Denver, Colorado, read a paper recently, before the Rocky Mountain Mid-Winter Clinic. His subject was, "The Need For Social Planning For Emergency Dental Relief." Dr. Holmes is well established in his field and has



DR. ISADOR MITCHELL

contributed much to the prestige of the profession and the welfare of the community.

#### 1923

Dr. H. Sumner Colum of Chicago, Illinois, gave a clinic recently in Conductive Anesthesia and Exodontia before the Lincoln Dental Society.

Dr. Isadore Mitchell of Los Angeles, California, has engaged in post-graduate work at the University of Southern California. A member of the Academy of Dental Nutrition, and of numerous professional and civic organizations, he has contributed articles to Opportunity and The Journal of the National Medical Association.

#### 1925

Dr. Thomas A. Giles, who is practicing in St. Louis, Missouri, has been recently appointed as Assistant in a dental clinic under the Civil Works Administration.

# INTERESTING NOTES ABOUT OUR RECENT GRADUATES

The student body, and especially the upper classmen, are always inspired to hear of the activities of recent graduates. The faculty is very happy and deeply gratified to note that an appreciable number of the

"baby alumni" are finding their places in the professional and social scheme of things in their various communities. We are, therefore, happy to report in this column gleanings which have come from the last three classes.

#### 1931

Vernon F. Bailie served an interneship at Forsyth and has the Pennsylvania Board to his credit.

E. E. Carroll is practicing in New York City, and is doing well in spite of "old man depression."

Thomas W. Cobb is practicing on Georgia Avenue, Washington, D. C. He drives a new car, and wears a constant smile as usual.

James D. Ewers has opened an office in North Carolina.

R. O. Groomes has the Pennsylvania Board to his credit.

Robert E. Harris has spent a year interning at the Guggenheim Clinic, New York City; served one year as an instructor at the same institution, and is now established in practice at Schenectady, New York.

John D. Hawkins is practicing in North Carolina, his native state.

Harry Penn is practicing in his home state, The Old Dominion.

W. L. Washington has an office on Seventh Street below Rhode Island Avenue, in Washington, D. C. He still "toots a mean horn" at Howard Theatre on various occasions.

Norman H. (Nick) Williams is engaged in practice at Annapolis, Maryland, after an interneship at Freedmen's Hospital.

R. O. Wilson (Red) is at Uniontown, Pennsylvania. He has rendered considerable dental health service under the C. W. A.

#### 1932

Aldrich M. Brooks, who is established in St. Louis, Missouri, is showing the way in gold foils and lingual dovetails.

Allison C. Cobbs interned at Forsyth, and is now practicing in New Iersev.

Theodore R. Flemming (Teddy) is doing very creditably in Rhode Island.

Everett L. Gaskins has a very modern office near 15th and U Streets, Washington, D. C.

Birchard E. Goodall has the Pennsylvania Board to his credit.

Leroy P. Morris has a dental office, aside from his other interests, "Chief of Police" in Atlantic City.

Philip Y. Wyatt, as long and lanky as ever, is practicing at Fredericksburg, Va.

#### 1933

Garey M. Browne, the "shiek" of the class, is happily married and has passed the D. C. Board with henors.

Westanna O. I. Byrom has charge of her mother's drug store, while "boning" for the Tennessee Board.

Gorham Fletcher is specializing in impactions and apicoectomies with Dr. Turner at Freedmen's Hospital.

H. K. Lloyd is interning at the Forsyth Dental Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts. We have not heard whether he is allowed as much time to get those axio-gin-

gival line angles as his scrutiny demands. However, whatever Lloyd does, we know it is well done.

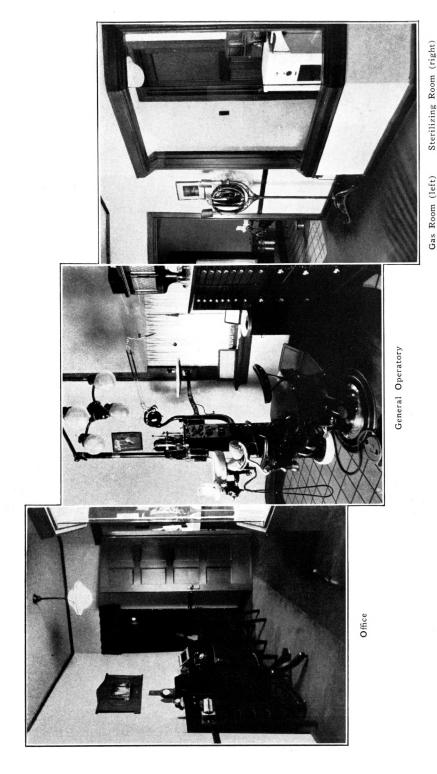
J. W. Peaco is interning at the Guggenheim Clinic for children in New York. He must feel very much at home, especially on Tuesday mornings from ten to one.

W. K. Williams (Dr. Mead) is interning at Harlem Hospital. We know he is having an interesting time with gramulomas, angiomas, adamantinomas, epitheliomas, and what have you!

Winston Churchill Willoughby

passed the Ohio Board with an unusually high rating. He is already established at Zanesville, and aside from general practice, reports varied experiences in serving one of the Citizens' Conservation Camps in his vicinity.

Clarence (Tick) Smith of foot-ball fame is still stopping 'em around the end. "Tick" has passed the Maryland State Board, and has a salaried position with the Maryland State Health Department. He drives a new "Chevie" and drops in to see us often. He is always welcome.



AN IDEAL DENTAL OFFICE UF ONE OF OUR ALUMNI, DR. ROBERT M. TRIBBITT, COLUMBUS, OHIO