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### **The Baltimore Dental Society Host to Washington Dentists**

ON Saturday, May 9th, the Baltimore Dental Society was host to the Robert T. Freeman Dental Society of the District of Columbia, and to the Dean and faculty of the Dental College. On this occasion twenty-eight men journeyed to the Monumental City and were the recipients of real, honest-to-goodness, old Maryland hospitality. The meeting was held at the Penn Hotel, and the order of the night consisted in ingesting a real, old-fashioned Maryland fried chicken supper, after which there was general indulgence to the nth degree in the forensic art.

The meeting was in the nature of a reunion and everyone present was given an opportunity to express his feelings. These expressions varied from the light and humorous to more serious exhortations in the interest of organized dentistry. Finally, the conclusion of the whole matter was reached by Dean Dixon, who, in appropriate and carefully chosen words, gave a comprehensive analysis of the status of and the problems in dental education, and of the attitude of the college of dentistry toward this status and toward the solution of these problems.

Some of the older men of the profession who were present on this occasion were: "Cliff" Fry, George Butcher, Bob Wilson, Raymond Thomas, and Q. B. King from Washington; and Ike Young, who acted as toastmaster; O. D. Jones, A. O. Reid, Dan Brown and Bennie Brown of Baltimore. The officers of the Baltimore Society are: President, J. A. White; Vice President, B. Alleyne; Treasurer, B. N. Christmas; Secretary, E. W. Dickerson, and Corresponding Secretary, W. D. Mason.

The roster of officers of the Robert T. Freeman Dental Society is as follows: Adolphus Walton, President; W. T. Grady, Vice President; Fitzhugh Reid, Secretary; Jackson L. Davis, Treasurer; Joseph H. Nicholson, Historian, and Gilbert A. Cole, Chaplain. A very warm fraternal spirit characterized this meeting and the possibility of regular periodic joint scientific programs by the two societies was discussed.

### **The Robert T. Freeman Dental Society**

THE current program of the Robert T. Freeman Dental Society of Washington is a varied one indeed. Its wide range of subjects and the competence of its speakers is stimulating and broadening in many ways.

From September to date the speakers and their subjects have been as follows: Dr. Sterling V. Mead, "Post-Surgical Complications and Their Treatment"; Dr. Hugh Simmonds, "The Value of Physical Diagnosis in the Practice of Dentistry"; Rothstein Dental Laboratories, "The Porcelain Jacket Crown and Bridge," a motion picture; Professor A. M. Thomas, "Economic Conditions and the Negro"; Dr. Joseph L. Johnson, "The Endocrine System and Its Relationship to Dental Problems"; and Mr. L. A. Hince, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, "The Program of the Bureau of Investigation."

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#### Dr. Craig Vacations in Jamaica

DR. SANTON H. CRAIG, of 168 West 128th St. New York City, a graduate of the class of '29, spent the months of December, 1935, and January, 1936, in Jamaica, B. W. I. He returned to New York January 27th. His trip abroad was purely vacation, but he availed himself of the opportunity of visiting with old Howardites of the Dental College. Among those he visited with were Drs. Anthony Wright, L. Plummer, Simeon Pottinger, H. K. Lloyd, Dudley Frazer, Thomas Campbell, and L. Phillips. All of these graduates, he is proud to report, are doing well and efficiently. In Dr. Craig's opinion, a local Howard Club should be started with these graduates as the nucleus. The field in the West Indies is a very large one and an active alumni association keeping in contact with the parent association in this country would do well in advertising Howard University Dental College, and be a means of encouraging students from these islands to study dentistry at Howard University. Dentistry is being made a part of the general health program in the islands and under the continued guidance of the Rockefeller Foundation fruitful results will be forthcoming. Dr. Anthony Wright is located at 57 East Queen Street, Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I. A copy or two of *The Dentoscope* forwarded to Dr. Wright would be highly appreciated, as he in turn could make the necessary contact to revivify that OLD HOWARD SPIRIT among our graduates who are laboring faithfully in Jamaica. Dr. Craig wishes *The Dentoscope* much success and that it will serve the purpose for which it is intended.

### Virginia Legislature Takes Progressive Step

VERY recently the General Assembly of the Old Dominion passed two pieces of legislation of importance to the dental profession.

A bill (House Bill No. 53), passed February 24, 1936, amends and reenacts the section of the Virginia Code relating to the practice of dentistry. It is designed to put an end to advertising among dentists in the State of Virginia. The bill provides for the revocation or suspension of certificates and licenses of dentists for, among other causes:

“Advertising to practice without causing pain or advertising professional superiority or the performance of professional services in a superior manner, or advertising prices, terms, or fees for professional services or advertising by means of large display, glaring light signs, or containing as a part thereof the representation of a tooth, teeth, bridgework or any portion of the human head, or employing or making use of advertising solicitors . . . or advertising any free dental work . . . or advertising to guarantee any dental service, or advertising to use any drug . . . of an unknown formula, or advertising or publishing or circulating false claims or misleading statements of art, skill or knowledge, . . . or advertising in any other manner which tends to deceive or defraud the public.”

This bill is very inclusive in scope and comprehensive in nature and should surely accomplish the purpose for which it was designed.

The other piece of legislation (House Bill No. 470), was passed March 5, 1936, and is entitled, “A Bill; To provide equal educational facilities for certain persons denied admission to Virginia State Colleges, Universities, and institutions of higher learning.” The provisions of this bill are as follows:

“Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That whenever any bonafide resident and citizen of this State, regardless of race, possessing the qualifications of health, character, ability and preparatory education customarily required for admission to any Virginia State College, State University, or other State institution of higher learning and education, or any branch or department thereof, upon application, is denied admission thereto, for any reason, by the board which constitutes the governing authority of such institution, if it appear to the satisfaction of said board that such person is unable to obtain from another such or similar

Virginia State College, State University, or State institution, educational facilities equal to those applied for, and that such equal educational facilities can be provided and furnished to said applicant by a college, university or institution, not operated as an agency or institution of the State, whether such other facilities are located in Virginia or elsewhere, the said board of such State college, university, or institution so denying admission, is hereby authorized, out of the funds appropriated to such institution, to pay such person, or the institution attended by him, as and when needed, such sum, if any, as may be necessary to supplement the amount which it would cost such person to attend the said State college, university, or institution, so that such person will be enabled to secure such equal educational facilities elsewhere without additional cost to such person. In determining the comparative costs of attending the said respective institutions the board shall take into consideration tuition charges, living expenses and costs of transportation."

The language of these laws should be carefully studied by citizens of other states who may be interested in similar legislation.

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### The Annual Meeting of the Old Dominion Dental Society

TRUE to the traditions of the organization, the Old Dominion Dental Society met during Easter week in its twenty-third session. The meeting was held in Norfolk and the sessions and headquarters were at Tent's Hall on Church Street.

The outstanding features of the program were as follows: First day, Thursday, April 16th, Welcome address, E. D. Burke, M. D.; The President's Annual Address, Dr. Fred D. Morton; a pilgrimage to the grave of A. N. Land, D. D. S., at which time Dr. Dunston of North Carolina delivered a eulogy in most fitting terms. The Public Health Meeting, which was held on Thursday night, was well attended and a very interesting program was presented. The banquet followed the Public Health meeting, and as usual there was full opportunity to enjoy a most pleasing repast and also to satisfy one's oratorical inclinations.

The scientific program for both days was characterized by instructive papers and clinics, but the outstanding feature of the meeting was the visit on Friday afternoon to the U. S. Marine Hospital. The scientific phase of the session was closed at the Hospital with a paper by O. L. Anderson, M. D., on the Manifestations of Syphilis in the Oral Cavity. Officers elected for

1936-37 were: President, Dr. Clarissa Wimbush; President-elect, Dr. R. Henry Bland; Vice President, Dr. M. W. Ward; Secretary, Dr. Ragland; Treasurer, Dr. J. A. Jackson; Publicity Agent, Dr. L. A. Fowlkes. The place for the meeting in 1937 will be Lynchburg; and the time, Thursday and Friday following Easter. The high light of the meeting in a social way was the formal dance on Friday night at the Palais Royale.

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### Odonto-Chirurgical Society of Philadelphia

THE Odonto-Chirurgical Society of Philadelphia held its annual clinic on April 21, 1936. As usual, the program was well planned. It consisted of two sessions during the day and the banquet in the evening.

A free exodontia clinic was conducted by members of the society as a contribution to the National Negro Health Week Program. Other clinicians were Dr. Sylvester Smith, Dr. Percy I. Bowser, Dr. C. Thurston Ferebee, and Dr. Robert M. Hendrick. The feature speaker at the evening banquet was Dr. W. Montague Cobb, of the Department of Anatomy of Howard University. His lecture, which was illustrated with lantern slides and motion pictures, dealt with the embryology and the development of the teeth and the adjacent structures.

Out-of-town visitors included Drs. Russell A. Dixon, M. D. Wiseman, Adolphus Walton, R. M. Hendrick, C. T. Ferebee, E. E. T. Mavritte and J. A. Turner, of Washington, D. C.; Isaac M. Young of Baltimore, Md., Dr. E. B. Wetmore of Morristown, N. J., and Dr. Swinson of Reading, Pa.

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### Class of '26 Holds Reunion

THE class of 1926 held its tenth anniversary reunion on June 3rd, 4th, and 5th, inclusive. While the attendance was not one hundred per cent, it was very representative. Those who could not attend sent messages of regret. The program included a sight-seeing tour of the University. All were very interested in noting the advances which have been made in the growth of the University plant since the old "frame building infirmary" days. The Dean personally conducted this tour. The class banquet was a very unique affair. Besides the class members and their guests,

President and Mrs. Mordecai W. Johnson, Dean and Mrs. Russell A. Dixon, Dr. Adolphus Walton, and Dr. M. D. Wiseman were present. Each classmate gave a good account of himself, and these accounts, together with inspiring talks by the invited guests, gave the necessary zest to the occasion. In connection with the motorcade tour of the city, a pilgrimage was made to the grave of the late Dr. Frederic Pelham Barrier, where a wreath was placed by Dr. George E. Monroe, who presided over the brief ceremony.

At the smoker, which was a combined closed social affair and business meeting, many items of interest were discussed. It was felt that ten years is too long a time to wait for a reunion, and the class voted to reunite at least every five years. They further realized that each graduate should feel some responsibility toward his Alma Mater, and pledged to award \$50.00 annually to a worthy upper classman who is in need of assistance. Dr. Clarissa P. Wimbush was elected class president, and Dr. John A. Turner was elected secretary-treasurer.

It is the sincere hope of the Dental School family that such reunions as this will occur each year. Returning alumni, in addition to enjoying renewed fellowship, furnish great inspiration to students who are to follow.

