Here and There
Dental Centenary Celebration

UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP of the American Dental Association, the 1840-1940 Dental Centenary Celebration was held in Baltimore March 18, 19 and 20.

The one hundredth anniversary of the founding of organized dentistry produced a splendid meeting from the point of view of scientific sessions, exhibits and attendance.

The faculty of the College of Dentistry managed to effect one hundred per cent attendance by going in groups. We were pleased to see a group of alumni there who are affiliated with the Odonto-Chirurgical Society of Philadelphia, the Baltimore Dental Society and the Robert T. Freeman Dental Society of Washington.

Dr. Roscoe Ward, of Portchester, N.Y., was in attendance also.

John A. Andrew Clinical Society

This meeting, April 7-13, marked the second successive year of organized dental participation in the now famous clinic week at the John A. Andrew Memorial Hospital on the institute grounds at Tuskegee, Ala.

It was well attended and the usual interest was augmented by the juxtaposition of the issuance of the Booker T. Washington postage stamp at which ceremonies Postmaster James A. Farley was the principal speaker.

Activities pointed toward development in stature and maturity of this recent addition to the clinic week and the bulk of the credit is due perhaps to Dr. B. L. Jackson who, because of his location, has been able to do the pioneer work.

Three members of the faculty were on the program. Dr. Jackson L. Davis spoke on "Selected Cases of Law for the Dentist." Dr. William J. Madison presented a clinic on "Surgical Treatment of Periodontoclasia," and Dr. Emmett J. Scott gave an illustrated talk on "X-ray as an Aid to Diagnosis in Pedodontia."
Old Dominion Dental Society

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Old Dominion Dental Society took place at Hampton Institute March 25 and 26.

As usual, the meeting was characterized by the same jovial enthusiasm that has been shown in previous years.

Dr. Arthur Howe, president of Hampton, was the guest speaker at the public health meeting.

Doctors Adolphus Walton and William J. Madison, of the faculty of the College of Dentistry, gave clinics on impression technic and the treatment of periodontal lesions, respectively.

Odonto-Chirurgical Society

On April 16, the Odonto-Chirurgical Society of Philadelphia, Pa., held its thirteenth annual clinic day at the Scottish Rite Cathedral.

After a day of scientific sessions, the tension of the day was lightened considerably by the formal dance and reception which was well attended.

Doctors Noah McNeil and Raymond Hayes, of the faculty of the College of Dentistry, took part in the scientific program.

Mound City Dental Society

On March 9, 1940, the Mound City Dental Society, of St. Louis, Mo., held its annual banquet and installation of new officers. Dr. Waldo Howard, of Houston, Texas, National Dental Association president, installed the new roster of officers, and Doctors M. D. Wiseman and J. A. Jackson, of the executive board, and S. J. Cullum, O. L. Lattimore and L. T. Montgomery were guests.

Palmetto State Dental Society

The Palmetto State Dental Society had a very successful and enthusiastic meeting in Columbia, S.C., on April 23, 24 and 25. Two members of the faculty of the College of Dentistry contributed to the program. Dr. Adolphus Walton gave
a clinic on impression technic and Dr. Robert M. Hendrick demonstrated the technic of constructing inlays by the indirect method.

Robert T. Freeman Dental Society

At this writing the local dental society is concluding a very active and successful year. So successful has their term of office been that the entire roster of officers has been reelected for another term.

On June 24 activities will be suspended for the summer following a boat ride on the Potomac, in which the society collaborates with the Medico-Chirurgical Society in relaxing from routine duties for an evening of mutual pleasure.

Current Scientific Reports

In addition to many investigations of great value to both the profession and the public, the Research Commission of the A.D.A., *"is engaged in compiling the findings of dental research as carried on throughout the world. The first step in this direction has been the publication, in abstract form, of present-day knowledge regarding the etiology and control of dental caries. This book, entitled ‘Dental Caries,’ so ably edited by Dr. William J. Gies, is one of the outstanding contributions to this important subject. No one interested in the topic can afford to be without it. The cost is one dollar.”

“The Council of Dental Therapeutics is another year-round group of dentists, physicians and chemists which examines and passes upon the reliability of all drugs, anesthetics, dentifrices, mouth washes and the like used or presented by the dental profession. In addition to reporting its findings in the Journal, it publishes each year, at a nominal cost, a small volume of ‘Accepted Dental Remedies.’ ” We have had the pleasure of reviewing this very valuable work for several years, and take this opportunity to recommend it and to direct attention of the profession to this source of reliable information on dental therapeutic materials.

* The quotations are taken from Communications to the Profession by President Arthur H. Merrit of the A.D.A.