

## REPORTS OF MEETINGS

**A** CALLED meeting of the Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontia was held at the Lake Shore Athletic Club, Chicago, Illinois, on November 17, 18 and 19, 1930. Members attended from various parts of the United States.

The primary intent and purpose of the meeting was to reorganize the society so that it might function more effectively than heretofore and also be enabled to more satisfactorily promulgate the principles for which it stands. There took place, then, the formation of a central organization, with smaller affiliated local organizations.

The present members of the Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontia constitute the charter membership of the new central organization. Local groups have the right to elect members to their own groups and these become associate members of the central organization after fulfilling certain requirements.

The society decided to publish a quarterly journal, to be known as "THE ANGLE ORTHODONTIST". This publication will serve as a means for advancing the society's aims and for the publication of its proceedings and papers.

The society will also participate in the Second International Orthodontic Congress which will meet in London in July of this year. Delegates to represent the society were elected and a committee appointed to collect, arrange and prepare material for presentation at the Congress.

Dr. Harold J. Noyes, of Chicago, presented a timely and carefully prepared paper entitled, "A Consideration of a New Step in Orthodontic Legislation", in which he outlined the Arizona law and showed how hopelessly insufficient for the adequate training of orthodontists is the time devoted to orthodontic instruction in our dental schools, and how such a law as that of Arizona compels the raising of educational standards in orthodontia. This paper will appear in a later issue of this journal.

Dr. Charles H. Tweed of Phoenix, Arizona, discussed the Arizona law, explained that some of its shortcomings were recognized in the State, and said that revision of certain portions of the law were soon to be made.

One full day of the meeting was spent in the graduate orthodontia department of the University of Illinois. Dr. Allan G. Brodie, who is in charge of this departemnt, explained, by means of an illustrated lecture, the latest refinement of the edgewise arch mechanism developed and brought out by Dr. Angle. The members then adjourned to the laboratory and practiced the new technique. The afternoon was spent in reviewing the work carried on by the students of the graduate school of orthodontia. The type of instruction, the manner in which the course is conducted, the results that are being ob-

tained in the treatment of cases in the clinic, all mark the course not only as most unusual and far in advance of other attempts in orthodontic education, but are prophetic of a new era in the history of orthodontia.

Mr. Edmund H. Wuerpel, Director of the St. Louis School of Fine Arts and a member of the society, brought the meeting to a close with another of those such inspiring addresses as that the members of the society have learned to look forward to (from him) with eager anticipation. His topic was "Vision", and he discussed what vision has meant, and still means, to the world, to communities, and, specifically, to our profession; what our profession owes and must always owe to the vision of one man.

The meeting throughout was inspirational and encouraging to a marked degree, and every person who attended seemed to leave it with the feeling that "the man who finds a truth lights a torch".

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## NOTES AND COMMENTS

**D**R. Edmund Noyes, father of Dr. Frederick B. Noyes of our Editorial Board, was the first Honorary Member of the Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontia and, in many winters spent in Southern California, was a regular and valued attendant at the monthly meetings of the society. After his death, in 1928, his sister, Mrs. H. A. Davidson, was chosen to take his place. The active and significant part Mrs. Davidson has since taken in the consultations and programs of the society has made her one of us in a very real and important sense. With love and understanding she has written the "Foreword" for this issue of *THE ANGLE ORTHODONTIST* at the request of the Board of Editors.