



HARRY E. KELSEY

1873-1946

In recognition of a capable clinician and teacher, a firm and courteous force in the broad and best interests of dental organization, one conscious of civic and social responsibility, talented in the art of living, a gentleman, Harry E. Kelsey, these numbers of *The Angle Orthodontist* are respectfully dedicated.

Dr. Harry Estes Kelsey

Dr. Harry Estes Kelsey died March 1, 1946 at the age of 73. His death is a great loss to his profession and profound grief to his many friends.

I first met Dr. Kelsey in the fall of 1908 when for three months or more we were students of Dr. Angle in New York City. We saw each other every day and became very good friends, a relationship which persisted through the years in spite of the fact that we saw each other comparatively seldom.

Dr. Kelsey possessed the finest qualities of a gentleman and a professional man. He was courteous, thoughtful, genial, and always devoted to the interest of his profession and his friends. He was a pioneer in the specialty of orthodontics and deserves a large share of credit for the position of dignity and respect that it has attained. He was a lecturer at the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery from 1906 to 1910, when he was made Professor of Orthodontics. In 1913 with the founding of the Dental Staff of John Hopkins Hospital, organization for which he was largely responsible, he was placed in charge of the Department of Orthodontics. He held this position until his retirement in 1940 and remained a consultant until his death.

He was in the active practice of orthodontics for thirty-two years and counted three generations of children among his patients. He enjoyed and was very fond of children, and they became his devoted friends. He contributed fifty-seven papers and many clinical reports and was always ready to respond to any demands of his profession or his friends.

He was active in his city, state and American Dental Associations, the American Association of Orthodontists, the American Board of Orthodontics, the New York State Society of Orthodontia, the Eastern Society of Orthodontia, the Washington-Baltimore Society of Orthodontia, the Eastern Association of Angle Alumni, and others. Many of these societies he served as president and some of them he helped to organize.

Dr. Kelsey received his D.D.S. degree from the Baltimore College of Dentistry, later a dental department of the University of Maryland. He graduated from the Angle School of Orthodontia in the fall of 1908. He was a member of the Xi Psi Phi fraternity and of the Omicron Kappa Upsilon, an honorary dental fraternity based upon scholarship. He was a member of the American College of Orthodontists, chairman of the Research Council of the American Dental Association, in which position he rendered extremely valuable service, chairman of the Committee on International Relations for the Dental Centennial Celebration in Baltimore 1940, and chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Clarence J. Grieves Library Foundation which created one of the most important dental libraries in the country.

In the death of Dr. Harry Estes Kelsey the profession has lost a courageous and untiring worker and those who knew him a true and loyal friend.

Frederick B. Noyes