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Another loval and devoted follower of Dr. Edward H. Angle has passed away. Blaine Truesdell died on July 18, 1955 at the home of his son and was buried in Mount Comfort Cemetery in Alexandria, Virginia, During his long years of practice he gave freely and devotedly of himself to his patients, his family and friends who were privileged to know him. He was a sincere, skilled, painstaking and conscientious practitioner of orthodontia which was both his vocation and avocation. In all facets of his character his standards and ideals were high. From the time it was introduced by Dr. Angle the edgewise appliance was his preference but he could operate with equal facility with either the ribbon arch or the E arch technics.

Blaine was born in Lyons, Kansas, on May 4, 1882, the eldest child and only son of Frank Walden Truesdell and Ella Blair Truesdell. His early education was received in Lyons after which he studied at the Kansas City Dental College (later known as the Kansas City — Western Dental College) from which he received his D.D.S. degree and the gold medal for the highest honors in the graduating class of June 1906. He practiced general dentistry for a short time in Antler, North Dakota leaving to study orthodontia under Dr. Angle at the Angle School which was then located in New York City. After his graduation in 1908 he opened his office for the practice of orthodontia in Omaha, Nebraska where he remained until 1941. He then moved to Alexandria, Virginia where he continued in active practice until March 1955 when forced to retire because of ill health.

He and Miss Edna Vieregg were married on February 28, 1908 in Kansas City, Missouri. She preceded him in death in April 1955 after a long illness. He is survived by one son, Dr. Frank B. Truesdell who practices orthodontics in Richmond, Virginia. He was a governing member of the Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontia, a member of the Mid-Western Component of the Angle Society and of the Washington-Baltimore Society of Orthodontists, the Virginia State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. He was a Presbyterian all his life and at various times served his church as Sunday School Treasurer and Church Trustee. He was a member of Delta Sigma Delta fraternity, the Rotary Club, and was a Royal Arch and Master Mason.

He was a charter member and from the beginning of the Angle Society until a few years ago was a regular attendant and contributor to its meetings. His presence will be missed and it is with much sorrow that we say farewell.

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