



PAUL PREWITT  
1877 - 1956

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September 27, 1956 became the second memorial day for Paul, son of Judge George E. and Pattie Smith Prewitt. His burial the next day in the Lexington Cemetery was the 79th anniversary of his birth in Georgetown, Kentucky. Neither event was of his own choosing, but well were the intervening years used. Paul energetically met those adversities that come to all men, and met them with strength and good cheer.

From 1900 he practiced dentistry in his home town until he came to Lexington following his training under Dr. Angle in 1908. It was supposed that the town was too small to support a full time specialist, and for most it would have been. Thus for some years he practiced in the smallest town in these United States that had an orthodontist. How well he overcame this handicap is reflected in five full time men located there now. It was he who built public demand and appreciation. In due time as he stayed abreast of orthodontic developments, he became the first man in the South to use the edgewise appliance. He never lost sight of Dr. Angle's wisdom, and so welcomed the opportunity to be one of the charter members of the Angle Society.

His great love was children who seemed ever to be drawn to him. For over forty years he ministered to them as an orthodontist and as a confidant. Then, as he retired from practice, he graduated into the finest work of his life. His nine grandchildren will always be better citizens as the result of their hours with him. Many will be their memories of his untiring efforts in their behalf, and of his traveling trade mark, an 18 year old auto spotted heavily with drippings from ice cream cones and overflowing with children of all ages. Then after he was laid to rest on a

beautiful autumn day following a service woven about children and Thanksgiving, his widow, Sallie, and two sons, John and George, returned to their homes to take up different lives also.

His epitaph came several days later. It was written by one of his patients of the early 1920's who, like so many others, remembered and returned to his office with their children. It stated simply that there would always be those who loved, "The Doctor with the twinkle in his eyes."

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