

In Memoriam

SAMUEL J. LEWIS

1887-1972

After an illustrious life of service to his fellow man, Father Time called Samuel J. Lewis in his 84th year on January 23rd in Monroe, Louisiana. He retired there some years ago.

Dr. Lewis was originally from Kalamazoo, Michigan. He moved to Detroit to obtain his dental education at Detroit College of Medicine and was graduated in 1907. Like all students of Dr. Edward H. Angle, he had many stories of the old master, having been graduated from the Angle College in 1911. Sam practiced in Detroit until 1948; during this time he was a member of the original faculty of the University of Detroit School of Dentistry, being Professor of Orthodontics for about fourteen years. He was Director of Orthodontic Research at Merrill Palmer School and Children's Fund of Michigan. In addition to being a member of the Edward H. Angle Society, the American Association of Orthodontists and the Great Lakes Society, he was a member of the Pacific Coast Society, a Fellow of the American College of Dentistry, and a member of the Society for Research in Child Development.

Dr. Lewis was an admirer of the late Charles H. Tweed and worked closely with him in the early days of the development of the Tweed philosophy of treatment. In 1942 he led a group of orthodontists in the first public presentation of the Tweed concept at the Pan American AAO Meeting in New Orleans. After the war he directed short courses according to the philosophy and teachings of Tweed at the University of Detroit and later in Kalamazoo after he moved there.

Sam was truly a student of his profession and imparted the desire for perfection and hard work to those of us who were closely associated with him. He inspired hundreds of orthodontists, who took his courses, with the desire and determination to do better orthodontics than we would ever have done were he not the militant teacher he was. We are all grateful to this wonderful man.

Dr. Lewis is survived by his wife Marion, two daughters, five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

R. E. C.

HENRY A. STURMAN

1898-1972

Henry A. Sturman of Hartford, Connecticut was vacationing in Florida before his anticipated attendance at the reunion of the Orthodontic Department of the University of Illinois, which he loved dearly. Several days prior to leaving for Chicago he suffered a heart attack and, while seemingly recovering in the hospital, he was

fatally stricken on March 11, 1972.

Henry was born in 1898 and reared in New York City. He was graduated from school at age sixteen and, with a burning desire to learn, left immediately for Chicago to live with relatives and to work to earn enough money for medical school. However, being too young, he returned to New York where

he attended college and worked.

In 1917 he returned to Chicago and enrolled in dental school at Illinois. Since it was World War I days, he served in the Student Army Training Corps for one year, began actual classes in 1918 and was graduated in 1922.

He practiced general dentistry in Chicago for several years, then moved to Detroit where he soon built a successful general practice. Always the student, he decided upon orthodontics as offering a greater challenge; he enrolled in the Graduate School of the University of Illinois completing the course in 1935. For the next several years he practiced orthodontics in Detroit, but the lure of the East was too great and in 1937 he settled in Hartford, Connecticut.

Henry took an active part in local dental and orthodontic affairs. He was a trustee for the McManus Fund of the Hartford Dental Society, a member of the Torch Society of Alpha Omega, and Chairman of the Scholarship Committee of the Eastern Component of the Angle Society. He was one of the originators of the Newington Children's Hospital Cleft Palate team in 1955. He

was a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics and chairman of the Preceptorship Committee of the Northeastern Society of the American Association of Orthodontists.

Henry Sturman was a kindly gentleman and a scholar. He loved to read, delved into Greek, and enjoyed walking in the woods of his farm near Hartford. His young patients loved him since an appointment with Dr. Henry was not just another wire-tying episode, but a real visit to be remembered. He helped a great many of his teenage patients solve some of their problems by being able to listen and offer counsel. His resemblance to "Doc" on the television program was so great that occasionally he was confronted with a request for his autograph.

He is survived by his wife, Libby whom he married in 1920, two sons, Martin a physician and George an orthodontist, a daughter Cassandra, and five grandchildren. To all of them we offer our deepest and sincere sympathy. His friends and patients will miss his sharp intellect, his kind and gentle manner.

A. G.