



GLENN F. BOWMAN, D.D.S.

Obituary

The sudden death of Dr. Glenn F. Bowman of Pittsburgh, Pa., on Saturday, September 21st, came as a great shock to his host of friends in orthodontia. Without warning, Dr. Bowman was stricken with a heart attack while playing golf, rallied for a short time and then, a few hours later, passed on.

Dr. Bowman was one whom orthodontia could ill afford to lose. He stood staunch for ideals and principles without compromise or surrender. The editorial written by him and appearing in the April, 1935, issue of *The Angle Orthodontist*, visualizes his thoughts and reactions relative to the present trend of practice in the specialty. He warns of a degeneration that should be combated by an educational campaign for the sake of the children who are being subjected to exploitation by unqualified and unscrupulous practitioners. It is most fitting that his obituary should serve as a means of again emphasizing his plea.

Outstanding in Dr. Bowman's character was the trait of loyalty. He chose his friends carefully and weighed them well, but when once they had been selected he gave unstintingly to them. Enthused and inspired when a student of the late Edward H. Angle, he steadfastly maintained close contact with his teacher and loved and revered him to a degree surpassed by none. There was no former student of Dr. Angle's who grieved more deeply over his death than did Dr. Bowman.

Those of us who were closely associated with Dr. Bowman in the practice of our specialty loved him for his wholehearted honesty and respected him for his conscientious methods of practice. He always gave his best to those entrusted to his care and his best was outstanding. His earnest, forceful and wise counsel will be missed from our sessions, but his influence will not be lost for many years to come.

Dr. Bowman was a most devoted husband and father. Precious, indeed, is the heritage of integrity of character that he has left to his loved ones in the home which will do so much to comfort and sustain them when the acute pangs of grief have at last faded away.

Glenn F. Bowman was born at East Hickory, Forrest County, Pennsylvania, on August 5th, 1875. His early education was obtained in the East Hickory Public Schools and in the Jamestown High School, Jamestown, N. Y., of which he was a graduate.

In the fall of 1894, he entered the Dental Department of the University

of Pennsylvania and graduated from that institution in 1897. While there he became a member of Epsilon Chapter, Delta Sigma Delta Fraternity and affiliated with its Supreme Chapter upon graduation. He began the practice of dentistry at Tidioute, Pennsylvania. In 1900 he married Ellen Eunice Clark.

Dr. Bowman continued to practice dentistry until 1907 when he had the good fortune to meet Dr. Edward H. Angle at a dental convention in Buffalo. He was so inspired by this contact that he decided to go to St. Louis and study with Dr. Angle. He became a member of the 1907 Class at the Angle School of Orthodontia.

Upon the completion of his course of instruction with Dr. Angle he closed his office at Tidioute and went to Pittsburgh. On January last, 1909, Dr. Bowman began the exclusive practice of orthodontia in Pittsburgh and continued in this practice until his death.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Dr. Nancy Bowman Brown of Rochester, N. Y., and Elizabeth Bowman Schmeltz; by his mother, two sisters and a brother.