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December 14th Meeting

The December meeting of the Maine Dental Hygienists' Association got underway the evening of December 14th, with 8 members, 2 junior members, and 2 guests present. Mrs. Lawton had a delicious dinner ready for us in no time. Before dinner we all sat around, talked and enjoyed a little Christmas cheer.

The business meeting convened soon after dinner with our president presiding. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted. We then heard from our committees. The Membership Committee reported that we will soon be having three additional new members. Here is a hearty welcome from all of us to Anita and Claire Lebel and Nancy Leigh. The Program Committee were happy to report that the March meeting will be a very special one. We are going to have as our guest, Miss Louise Hord, who is going to tell us about the National Convention which she is attending. The afternoon and evening session will also highlight many other attractions for the benefit of our interest and enjoyment. The Public Relations Committee reported that the pamphlet entitled "Dental Hygiene as a Career" will be printed this winter and presented to everyone for their approval at the next meeting. These pamphlets which are to be distributed in the secondary schools of Maine, will also be of use to all of us in the recruitment of young girls in our profession. The Ways and Means Committee reported that they have decided that Christmas card samples might be distributed more freely if they are exhibited at the June and Fall meetings. Everyone felt very generous and contributed a dollar out of their own pocket just as a Christmas present to our budget! In the way of new business, Abbie Grant was appointed as our vice president for the remainder of the year.

A social hour followed the business meeting. We were baffled by a TV quiz game and had a lot of laughs playing it. The winner of our game was Nancy Nutting, who was presented with a prize --- a very nice clock. Guess she can keep our minutes in style now!

We do hope to see a big turn-out at our March meeting in Portland. 'Til then, keep happy and busy everyone.

Chit - Chat

Claire Lebel is sporting a Delta Upsilon fraternity pin these days --- also, a Sigma Phi Epsilon pin worn by Cheryl Anderson.

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- Phyllis Quimby of Vermont, Head of Civil Defense for the dental hygienists of the New England area, urges out participation in the program.
- the M.D.H.A. members and Miss Phelps discussed the upgrading classification of the dental hygienists in civil service. The A.D.H.A. members and trustees and the Veteran's Administration disapprove phases of this classification due to the amount of freedom given the dental hygienist for treating patients without the supervision of the dental officer.

We greatly appreciate Carleta Phelps' visit with us and for enlightening us on the highlights of the Miami Convention.

The meeting was adjourned.

September's Meeting

The September meeting of 1958 of the M.D.H.A. was held Tuesday evening, Sept. 16th at Mrs. Lawton's in Lewiston, Maine, with nine members present.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

It was decided to give Carleta Phelps, our District I Trustee, the right to vote for us at the coming national convention in Dallas, Texas and also that we give our vote to her for her re-election as District I Trustee.

The Association is planning to contact Margaret Swanson regarding the possibility of her attending the annual convention as our main speaker next June. A letter is being forwarded immediately to inquire into the amount of funds necessary for this trip.

Our speaker for the evening, Dr. Arthur Moulton, showed two very interesting films to cover the orientation of our civil defense program. He stated that the original plan for a First-Aid program has been changed slightly to take advantage of the training we have already had in this line. As soon as our program is cleared with all civil defense authorities in the State we will start training in anesthesia, sterilization, etc.

See you in October

Chit-Chat

Nancy Leigh Bernard has a baby girl named Susan.

Kay Niles is attending Farmington State Teachers College.

Marjory Lindscott is resuming studies at the University of Maine.

Jeanette Williams is now Jeanette Hamilton as of July 1958.

Many thanks for notes taken by Sandra Schoppe, Sec. in absence of Henrietta St. Onge, editor at 12 Page Street, Brunswick, Maine

Any news will be greatly appreciated.