

House - 1938

This document is made available electronically by the Minnesota Legislative Reference Library  
as part of an ongoing digital archiving project. <http://www.leg.state.mn.us/lrl/lrl.asp>

THE FIFTY FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MINNESOTA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS FOR THE YEAR 1938

TO

THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF THE MINNESOTA STATE DENTAL ASSOCIATION.

For further information I hereby wish give you the financial report  
for the year 1938 as reported to the Hon. Harold E. Casper, the  
Governor as of January 16, 1939.

THE FIFTY FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
MINNESOTA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS FOR THE YEAR 1938.

TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF THE MINNESOTA STATE DENTAL ASSOCIATION:-

GREETINGS:-

The personnel of the present Dental Board is as follows:-

Dr. J. B. Towe, President—Minneapolis  
Dr. Frank J. Pexa, Vice-President—Montgomery  
Dr. Elmer J. Sundby—Duluth  
Dr. Chas. A. McGuigan—Marshall  
Dr. Paul Hagen, Secretary-Treasurer—Crookston.

In giving you the financial report of E. J. Perlove, Comptroller of Currency, as of his audit of August 22, 1938 by his Examiners, H. M. Kirkham, you will note that it covers a period of eleven months while last year it covered a thirteen months period. Last year's fiscal Period showed an expenditure of \$10,240.98 while this year's shows an expenditure of only \$7,878.13 or a difference of \$2,362.85. For your information the item of Salaries; Per diem should be broken down to Per diem for Board Members \$2300, and Per diem for Attorney \$2175.00; the item of Printing and Binding should be broken down to Printing \$143.49 and Engraving Licenses \$48.00; the item of Travel and Subsistence should be broken down to Travel for Board Members \$884.68, Travel for Attorney \$46.65 and Travel for Investigators \$48.20, otherwise the items are self explanatory.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1938.

<u>RECEIPT</u>		
Balance July 1, 1937		\$ 21,467.22
Dentists' Certificates		\$ 5,161.00
Hygienists'		301.00
" Delinquent dentists		125.00
" hygienists		2.00
Penalties		452.50
Reciprocity fees		100.00
Duplicate License fees		6.00
Dentists' Examination fees		1,875.00
Hygienists'		260.00
Exchange collected		3.17
Refund—board member		10.00
		\$ 29,780.89

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries:

Permanent (Secretary) ----- 1,100.00  
Temporary (Investigators) ----- 370.55  
Per diem (Board Members and Attorney) ----- 4,475.00 5,945.55  
Stationery and office supplies ----- 144.99  
Printing and binding ----- 191.49  
Postage ----- 300.00  
Telephone and telegraph ----- 119.44  
Freight and drayage ----- 112.56  
Rents and leases ----- 110.00  
Furniture and furnishings ----- 18.50  
Repairs ----- 3.35  
Travel and subsistence ----- 979.53  
Miscellaneous ----- 52.72

Balance June 30, 1938-----

----- 21,902.76

\$ 29,780.89

Reconciliation of Balance.

June 30, 1938.

Office Balance		\$ 21,902.76
State Auditor's Balance		13,754.09
Deposits to State Treasurer not yet certified to State Auditor		\$ 8,148.67
		\$ 21,902.76

For your further information I herewith give you the financial report for the Calendar Year 1938 as reported to the Hon. Harold E. Stassen, the Governor of Minnesota as of January 16, 1939:-

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1937		\$ 17,093.56
Registration Fees from Dentists	\$ 5167.65	
" " Hygienists	302.00	
" " Delinquent Dentists	136.05	
" " " Hygienists	5.00	
Penalties from Dentists and Dental License Fees	522.50	
Examination Fees from Dentists	4.00	
" " " Hygienists	1900.00	
Exchange	270.00	
Refund from Board Member	10.00	
Total Receipts		<u>8,317.72</u>
		<u>25,411.28</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salary of Secretary	1200.00	
Detective Service and Operatives	176.77	
" Travel Expense	33.30	
Per Diem Board Members	2680.00	
Examination Expense at University	130.00	
Per Diem of Attorney for Board	2050.00	
Travel Expense " "	67.75	
Stationery and Office Supplies	146.42	
Postage*****	300.00	
Telephone and Telegraph	128.69	
Travel Expense Board Members	933.29	
Freight Express and Drayage	144.23	
Printing and Binding	143.14	
Engraving Licenses	159.00	
Rent	120.00	
Repairs	7.65	
Miscellaneous, Bond Pre & Dues N.A.D. Exams	151.30	
Furnishings	14.79	
Refunds	5.52	
	<u>8362.05</u>	
Balance on hand December 31, 1938	<u>17049.23</u>	
		<u>25,411.28</u>

In checking the past year against the calendar year 1937 we find that the Board spent \$ 1,351.53 less in 1938 than in 1937. Detective Service is where the biggest cut was made, from \$ 1,226.40 in 1937 to \$ 176.77 in 1938. The Per Diem for attorney was reduced from \$ 2,375.00 in 1937 to \$ 2,050.00 in 1938. The Per Diem for Board Members was reduced by \$ 100.00. There is one item that was increased. That of Dues to the National Association of Dental Examiners was increased from the usual \$ 25.00 per year to \$ 100.00 per year. This was done by the National Association as they needed more money to carry on. I believe that Minnesota should keep up its membership in this association.

Thru urgent demands from the Dental Profession the Board is issuing a new Dental Roster containing the master list of Dentists, addresses, college and dates of graduation; the Dental Hygienists and their addresses and following this is a classified list of the In-State Dentists by Districts, Counties and Cities. The classified was supplied by the Central Office of the Minnesota State Dental Association and for this work the Dental Board is very thankful. It is the hope of the Board of Dental Examiners that this Roster will fill the expected need of the Dental Profession. The cost of this roster will be; printing, \$ 425.00; Envelopes 21.40 and estimated postage 92.00 or a total of \$ 538.20. Pro-rating this on each dentist and dental hygienist it figures exactly \$11 1/305 each, so you will get at least that much back for your respective registration fees.

The attached copy of the report of our attorney, Joseph M. Donahue, will give you the legal work done during the year.

Here insert copy as attached.

DR. E. J. SUNDBY  
825 MEDICAL ARTS BUILDING  
DULUTH, MINN.

DR. CHAS. A. MCGUIGGAN  
MARSHALL, MINN.



## Board of Dental Examiners

OFFICE OF  
JOSEPH M. DONAHUE, Attorney  
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL  
402 STATE CAPITOL, ST. PAUL, MINN.

January 16, 1939.

Dr. Paul Hagen, Sec'y-Treas.,  
Board of Dental Examiners,  
Crookston, Minnesota.

My dear Doctor Hagen:

The following is a report of my activities as attorney  
for the Board of Dental Examiners for the period January 1st to  
December 31st, 1938.

### BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Dr. R. L. Matthews, a practitioner in St. Paul,  
was cited before the Board to answer for his  
actions regarding illegal advertising in the  
telephone directory in the City of St. Paul and  
also for illegal wording used on signs on the  
premises wherein he practices his profession.

Dr. Matthews appeared with his attorney on the  
24th day of February, 1938. Evidence was offered  
for both sides and after full consideration by the  
Board, Dr. Matthews' license to practice dentistry  
in this state was suspended for a period of ninety  
days.

### COURT PROCEEDINGS

Dr. R. L. Matthews obtained from the District Court  
of Ramsey County, a Writ of Certiorari, to review  
the action of the Board suspending his license to  
practice on the grounds that the action of the Board  
was arbitrary, capricious and unreasonable and was  
not founded upon facts sufficient to justify the  
penalty inflicted. The matter was heard on the 15th  
day of March, 1938, before the Honorable James C.  
Michael, of the Ramsey County District Court. After  
considerable argument and after briefs were filed,  
the Court made its order affirming the order of the  
Board in suspending the license of the above named  
practitioner.

45

DR. F. J. PEPA, VICE PRES.  
205-6 VANASEK BLOCK  
MONTGOMERY, MINN.

DR. PAUL HAGEN, SECY.-TREAS.  
CROOKSTON, MINN.

DR. E. J. SUNDBY  
625 MEDICAL ARTS BUILDING  
DULUTH, MINN.

DR. CHAS. A. MCGUIGGAN  
MARSHALL, MINN.



## Board of Dental Examiners

OFFICE OF  
**JOSEPH M. DONAHUE**,  
SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
102 STATE CAPITOL, ST. PAUL, MINN.

(2)

Dr. Paul Hagen, Sec'y-Treas.,

I am also making a report of summary matters which I attended during the period above named.

Conferences with Board members.....	22
Conferences with Investigator.....	5
Attendance at Meetings of the Board.....	7
Opinions to Board.....	7
Reports to Board.....	13
Investigations of Illegal practitioners.....	37
Interviewing complainants, witnesses and practitioners.....	8
Notices sent to practitioners.....	19
Days spent in preparation of matters to be heard before the Board and Court.....	5
Days in Court.....	2
Days spent in drafting orders, citations etc.....	12
Letters.....	19

It will be noted that under the sub-division entitled "Investigations of Illegal practitioners" that 37 such investigations are listed. In explaining the large number of investigations, permit me to state that the large majority of these infractions of the law were caused by incomplete knowledge of the law or under the misunderstanding that such actions as were deemed to be unlawful by the Board, were perfectly proper. I might also state that upon being shown that the practices complained of were outside the scope of the law, the offending parties quickly remedied the matter of which complaint was made.

At this time I wish to state that no matter what part of the state my duties as your attorney took me that the members of the profession demonstrated a keen interest in the dental law and its enforcement and that the large majority is very scrupulous in living up to the very letter of the law.

In closing, permit me to state that I thoroughly appreciate the fine co-operation given me by every member of the Board in connection with my duties as your attorney.

Yours very truly,

*Joseph M. Donahue*

JMD/D

43

One Reorganization Meeting, one Executive Meeting and one Special Meeting to hear violators were held otherwise all business was done during the regular meetings for examinations in June and December.

Number of Licenses granted	by examination to dentists	71
" " "	" hygienists	27
" " "	of Dentists revoked account deceased	13
" " "	by request	3
" " "	" non-Payt Reg Fee	20
" " "	Dentists reinstated	11
" " "	" in good standing	2722
" " "	" In-State	2257
" " "	" Out-of-State	445
" V "	" Foreign	20
" " "	Hygienists in good standing	334
" " "	" In-State	292
" " "	" Out-of-State	42

Respectfully submitted,

*Paul Hagen*

Secretary-Treasurer.

Crookston, Minn.  
January 24, 1939.