



DWIGHT S. COONS, D.D.S., M.M., E.D., M.B.E.

Born at Winchester Springs, Ontario, November 23, 1898.
Went to Hamilton Collegiate.

World War I: Enlisted in 1915 as a private in the 173rd Highlanders, C.E.F., but transferred to the 54th Battalion where he was, for over three years, in France. Received his commission as Lieutenant in 1918, and was awarded the Military Medal.

Upon return to Canada, he entered the Royal College of Dental Surgeons, and graduated from there in 1923.

After graduation, he practiced in Hamilton, Ontario.

He remained in the militia after graduation with the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders of Canada as Lieut. and Captain, 1935-1940. He transferred to the Canadian Dental Corps in 1939, and was appointed Staff Officer, Dental Services(Air), National Defense Quarters, at Ottawa, 1940, with the rank of Major.

He was promoted from the rank of Major, in 1941, to Lieut-Col., and to Colonel in 1944.

He has served with the Canadian Dental Corps since its formation, and was liason Officer between C.D.C. H.Q. and the R.C.A.F., in 1941.

Was awarded the efficiency decoration in 1942.

Finally became Deputy Director, Dental Services(Air) in 1944, and later Director General Dental Services - Army, Navy, Air Force.

He was President of the Hamilton Dental Association from 1937-1938.

Past President of the Hamilton Kinsman Club.

Was District Governor, Kinsman Association of Canada, and was connected with many other organizations in an executive capacity.

Past President of the Leander Boat Club of C.A.A.O.

Active in sports, particularly golf, fishing and shooting, and was President of the Toronto and District Golf Association, 1940.