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Carl W. Maxfield, Secretary
Board of Dental Examiners

This office acknowledges receipt of your letter of July 25th inquiring whether the annual registration fee of \$2. is to be paid by a dentist receiving a temporary emergency certificate to practise dentistry during the period of emergency, as prescribed by rule and regulation of the Board.

This legislation originally was applicable to admission of physicians only, and by amendment it was made applicable to the practice of dentistry, (Chapter 302, Laws of 1945.) The statute provides that

"The fee for a temporary emergency certificate shall be \$10. The holder of any such temporary certificate shall be privileged during the term specified therein, unless sooner revoked, to practise his profession within the state, subject, however, to all laws of the state generally applicable to the practice of such profession."

It would seem to me that, where the temporary emergency certificate prescribes the time during which the holder may practise under it, the fee of \$10 fixed by the act for the issuance of this certificate is the only fee that is required. The provisions which relate to the annual registration fee apply only to those practising within the State who have successfully passed the examination of the Board or been admitted by reciprocity.

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