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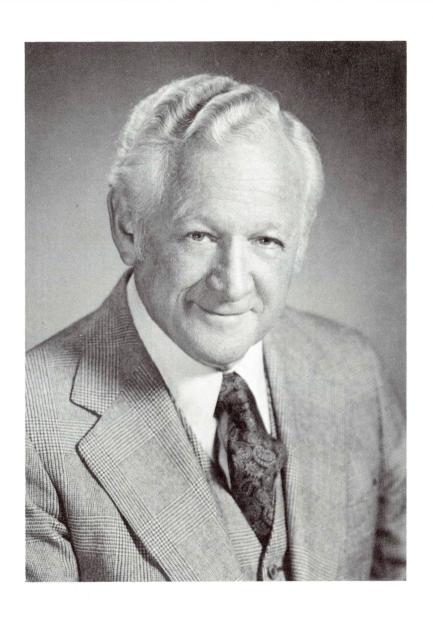
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Frank Bowyn

Frank P. Bowyer 1977–1978

Doctor Bowyer, of Knoxville, Tennessee, became the one-hundred-and-fourteenth president of the Association at the 1977 meeting in Miami Beach. The House of Delegates modified its policy against advertising by dentists, in accord with Supreme Court decisions.

Doctor Bowyer, an orthodontist, was speaker of the House of Delegates for four years before he was chosen president-elect. He was a member of the House of Delegates for 17 years. He served as chairman of House of Delegates reference committees and of the Council on International Relations. Doctor Bowyer served as president of the Second District (Tennessee) Dental Society, Tennessee Dental Association, Southern Society of Orthodontists, American Association of Orthodontists, American Board of Orthodontics and American College of Dentists. He was a lecturer and clinician at numerous local, state and national dental meetings. Doctor Bowyer served for many years as a member of the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees. He was born in Florida in 1917.

For 13 days in September 1978, President Carter met with Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat at Camp David, Maryland. Major disagreements barring a peace pact between Israel and Egypt were resolved. Sadat and Begin were jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. President Carter asked for voluntary limitation of wages and prices in October 1978. California voters approved Proposition 13, drastically cutting property taxes. Congress reformed civil service, deregulated airlines, increased Social Security taxes and reduced income taxes. A Polish cardinal was elected the first non-Italian Pope in 455 years.