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Percy Rogers Howe
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Doctor Howe, of Boston, became the sixty-sixth president of the Association at the 1928 meeting in Minneapolis.

Doctor Howe began his dental career as a private practitioner in Maine and Massachusetts. He was director of the Forsyth Dental Infirmary for Children, in Boston, from 1917 until 1950. Doctor Howe was professor of dental science at Harvard Dental School from 1925 to 1940. At the Forsyth Infirmary and Harvard, he conducted extensive dental research. He was born in Rhode Island in 1864 and died in 1950.

In 1928, Herbert Hoover, Republican, was elected president over Alfred E. Smith, Democrat. The Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact, signed in 1929 by 62 nations, outlawed war as an instrument of national policy. The dirigible “Graf Zeppelin” flew from Germany to Lakehurst, New Jersey, and later made a trip around the world.