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Charles H. Williams

Carlton H. Williams

1973-1974

Doctor Williams, of San Diego, became the one-hundred-and-tenth president of the Association at the 1973 meeting in Houston. The House of Delegates voted to establish the Commission on Accreditation of Dental and Dental Auxiliary Educational Programs, effective January 1, 1975.

Doctor Williams was speaker of the House of Delegates from 1967 to 1972, after serving as a member of the House for 12 years. A general practitioner, Doctor Williams was president of the San Diego Dental Society in 1946, the Southern California Dental Association in 1959 and California Dental Service in 1961. He was a guest lecturer at the University of Southern California, the University of California at Los Angeles and San Diego State College. Doctor Williams was the author of a number of articles in dental journals. He was born in Missouri in 1914.

Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president December 6, 1973. Congress began impeachment proceedings against President Nixon. President Nixon resigned and was succeeded by Vice President Ford on August 9, 1974. President Ford pardoned Richard M. Nixon for all federal crimes he committed or may have committed while president. Watergate and Nixon administration figures found or pleading guilty of various charges included Herbert W. Kalmbach, Jeb Stuart Magruder, Charles W. Colson, John D. Ehrlichman and John W. Dean III. Patricia Hearst was kidnapped by the Symbionese Liberation Army. India became the sixth nation with nuclear bomb capability.