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Not only this, but he should take a vital interest in affairs aside from the profession. A man who wraps himself up in any one pursuit and thinks of nothing else is prone to become narrow-minded and self-opinioned, and in all human relations there is no one more illiberal than a narrow-minded dentist. If a dentist is at all active in mind he needs some outside interest or some fad as a diversion from the grind of professional life, and if he is not active, he needs it all the more to create activity. He should aim to be broad in his sympathies and his interests, and should remember that he is a man first and a dentist afterwards.

This involves the obligation of good citizenship, and to be a good citizen is to take cognizance of public affairs. It means that the individual should vote at all municipal, State, or national elections, and in order to vote intelligently he should make himself familiar with the leading questions of the day. This does not imply that he shall be offensively obtrusive with his political beliefs nor that he shall consort with