Laughing “Gas” from Knoxville’s Dr. H. F. Huffaker

A registered dentist, Dr. Henry Floyd Huffaker (1870–1946) shifted his practice location around Knoxville, Tennessee, at least twice before settling by 1914 on the fancy McTownlee Building for professionals. To attract dental patients, Dr. Huffaker made a point of advertising that he supplied laughing “gas.” The attractive lady on his advertising postcard was photographed, not there in Knoxville, but apparently over 700 miles to the northeast, in Rochester, New York. This postcard is part of the Wood Library-Museum’s Ben Z. Swanson Collection. (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc.)

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