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RUSH PLANS FOR 89TH ANNUAL SESSION IN CHICAGO NEXT MONTH -- SURGEON GENERAL SCHEELE TO BE ONE OF PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS

Dr. Leonard A. Scheele of Washington, D. C., surgeon general of the United States Public Health Service, will be one of the principal speakers at the 89th annual session of the American Dental Association in Chicago, Sept. 13 to 17, it was announced today by Dr. H. B. Washburn, A.D.A. president. Dr. Scheele will speak at a general session of the meeting at the Stevens Hotel on Tuesday evening, Sept. 14. At the same session, Dr. Gerald Timmons, dean of Temple University dental school and president-elect of the American Association of Dental Schools, will speak on latest developments regarding procurement of dental officers for the armed forces. With the meeting, expected to be attended by from 10,000 to 12,000 dentists, only four weeks away, final preparations were rapidly being whipped into shape. The House of Delegates will convene at the Sherman Hotel on Monday, Sept. 13. Scientific and commercial exhibits will be opened simultaneously at the Stevens Hotel. The first general session of the meeting will be held Tuesday morning in the grand ballroom of the Stevens Hotel, and will feature the annual address of President Washburn. Scientific section meetings will open Tuesday afternoon and continue through Thursday morning. More than 125 essayists, covering all major phases of dental science, have been booked for the scientific meetings. Thursday afternoon and all day Friday will be devoted to table clinics and demonstrations. More than 200 clinicians will participate in this final phase of the program. The President's Dinner will be staged at the grand ballroom of the Stevens Hotel Wednesday night in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Washburn, of St. Paul. A variety of entertainment features, including a fashion show and reception for women visitors and a tour of the Railroad Fair on Chicago's lake front, have been arranged by the local arrangements committee. Thanks to the cooperation of the Greater Chicago Hotel Association, adequate hotel accommodations are available for all members of the Association who desire to attend. The shortage of housing facilities which existed during the war and immediate post-war years has been eliminated for the 1948 A.D.A. meeting according to Dr. Leo Kremer, of Chicago, general chairman of local arrangements.

DELEGATES TO CONSIDER MANY IMPORTANT ISSUES

Members of the House of Delegates, representing the 53 constituent units of the Association, face one of their busiest sessions in years when they convene at the Sherman Hotel on

Sept. 13. In addition to adoption of a budget for 1949 and the handling of other routine business matters, delegates will consider a number of major proposals including a new constitution and by-laws, a raise in dues, a reduction in the size of the House of Delegates, and selection of a speaker to preside during sessions of the House. (For a discussion of these issues see pages 4 to 7.) Delegates will also be faced with a number of major policy problems relating to national defense, particularly the present critical shortages of dental officers in the armed forces (see below.) This year's house will have a total of 387 members, the largest in the history of the Association. As at the Boston meeting, delegates will be seated at desks according to trustee districts. Portable microphones will be available in each aisle to facilitate

discussion. To speed the election of officers and trustees, voting machines will be installed at the Sherman Hotel. Following nominations on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 15, the machines will be set so that delegates may vote the following morning at their leisure and thus eliminate the long period of time usually required for balloting. The results will be announced Thursday afternoon. The Board of Trustees will be in session at the Central Office headquarters, 222 East Superior Street, Chicago, the entire week prior to the annual session. The annual conference of State Society Officers will open at 9 a.m., Sunday, Sept. 12, at the Sherman Hotel.

ARMED FORCES MAY SEEK NEW LAW TO DRAFT DENTISTS -- A.D.A. SEEKS CORRECTIVE ACTION TO ELIMINATE INJUSTICES IN ARMY DENTAL CORPS

Faced with critical shortages of dentists and physicians, the armed forces are reported readying plans to press Congress early next January for special legislation for the drafting of dental, medical and other professional personnel for service in the Army, the Navy and the Air Force without regard to the present draft age limits of 19 to 26. While Army chiefs have made no public announcement regarding their plans to seek a revival of the special "doctor draft", they have admitted that efforts to fill the dental and medical gaps in the armed forces by voluntary enlistments have failed dismally. In a two day conference with A.D.A. representatives at the Pentagon Building in Washington on Aug. 8 and 9, chiefs of the Army Dental Corps painted a bleak picture of the dental situation in the Army and the Air Force. On June 30, the corps was short approximately 850 dental officers on the established ratio of two dentists per 1,000 enlisted and officer personnel, they reported. By next June, unless there is a change in the present separation rate or the adoption of some new means of bringing more dental officers into uniform, the Army and the Air Force will be short 2,200 dental officers out of an authorized strength of 2,800, they said. In other words, within a year the Army and the Air Force may have only a little over 21 per cent of the dentists required to provide dental services for the men and women in uniform. The outlook for 1950 was reported as even worse with an anticipated shortage of 2,450 dental officers out of a required strength of 3,000. (Shortages also exist in the Navy Dental Corps but are not as serious as those of the Army and the Air Force.)

DR. WASHBURN PRESENTS A.D.A. RECOMMENDATIONS

It was with this background that the Army called in a group of top A.D.A. officials, including President H. B. Washburn, President-elect Clyde E. Minges and a number of trustees, for a special two-day conference last week. The A.D.A. delegation readily admitted the seriousness of the present shortages of dental personnel in the Army and stressed strongly the need for immediate correction of administrative conditions within the Army Department to eliminate inequalities and injustices which have made the corps highly unpopular with the thousands of dental officers who served during World War II. Dr. Washburn, as the chief spokesman for the A.D.A. delegation, said that the Association has "every wish to assist in facilitating plans" for the procurement of dental officers but only after there is "substantial evidence that those conditions which have destroyed confidence in the administration of the dental corps and which have prohibited the rendering of the most efficient dental service in World War II will be corrected." The delegation also asked that there be "full and acceptable assurances from the Secretary of Defense that the inequalities and injustices existing in the Army Dental Corps will be corrected through legislation as rapidly as possible." Dr. Washburn also assured the assembled group of high-ranking officers of general staff, the medical department and the dental corps that the Association's House of Delegates would be glad to consider, at its annual meeting in Chicago next month, any proposals the Army may be considering for the procurement of sufficient dental officers to meet all legitimate needs of the armed forces.

LISTS MAJOR COMPLAINTS OF EX-DENTAL OFFICERS

Major spokesmen for the A.D.A. delegation, in addition to Dr. Washburn, were Dr. Robert T. Curren, of Springfield, Ill., chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, and Dr. Carl O. Flagstad, of Minneapolis, Minn., chairman of the Committee on Legislation. Dr. Curren

summarized the principal complaints against the Army Dental Corps amassed from the thousands of dental officers who served in the Army during World War II. High among these was the well-supported charge that the lack of authority of dental officers to control dental installations and dental personnel had seriously interfered with the rendering of the most efficient service to personnel of the armed forces. Dr. Flagstad described plans of the Association to press for remedial action by Congress and reported in some detail the difficulties the Association has encountered in past years in attempting to secure corrective action in the dental corps through a change in Army regulations. Dr. Flagstad said that the record of broken promises has destroyed "all confidence in the effectiveness and stability of Army regulations." Dr. Flagstad said he was convinced that legislation is the only means through which a permanent improvement in the administration of the dental corps could be achieved.

SEEK EXPANSION OF R.O.T.C. UNITS FOR DENTAL STUDENTS No immediate solution to the problem of finding additional dentists for the army was advanced during the conference. Dental corps chiefs said that steps were under consideration to meet complaints which dealt with inadequate housing facilities, assignments to remote areas, lack of control of dental personnel and lack of training. They also reported on plans to increase organization of R.O.T.C. units among dental students and to expand the Army's dental internship program. A step-up in army public relations activities to point out advantages of an army career, including full page ads in national magazines, the organization of civic committees in local communities and the distribution of pamphlets to dental graduates, is also underway. The army chiefs, however, were not too hopeful that voluntary means would meet the immediate needs for dental personnel. A recent nation-wide drive for 1,500 dentists resulted in only 15 volunteers. Some other steps being considered as possible aids in meeting the situation include a lowering of standards for dental treatment (which the corps itself opposes), elimination of treatment of all dependents of army personnel and the use of additional civilian consultants. Only extremely limited funds are available for the latter and the system is believed unworkable for the major concentrations of troops stationed at the large number of army installations in comparatively isolated regions. The army also is making a quick study of recent dental graduates to determine how many there are under 26 years of age who may be drafted when selective service machinery begins operating next month. There are believed to be a considerable number of dentists below 26 years of age but most of them are veterans of World War II who are excluded from the draft by law.

NAVY AND U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE DENTAL CHIEFS ATTEND Those representing the army at the conference were Brig. Gen. George E. Armstrong, deputy surgeon general; Maj. Gen. Thomas L. Smith, chief of the dental division; Brig. Gen. Walter D. Love, deputy chief of the dental division, Brig. Gen. Oscar P. Snyder, director of dental activities at the Army Medical Center; Brig. Gen. S. B. Hays, chief of the supply division of the surgeon general's office, Col. James M. Epperly, dental division, and a number of other staff officers. Maj. Gen. John E. Dalquist, deputy director of personnel, of the general staff, attended a part of the conference while Maj. Gen. R. W. Bliss, the Army surgeon general, spoke briefly during the final few minutes of the meeting. Brig. Gen. George R. Kennebeck, chief, dental division, Army Air Force, Rear Admiral C. V. Rault, chief of the Navy Dental Corps, and Dr. Bruce Forsyth, assistant surgeon general of the U. S. Public Health Service, and members of their respective staffs, also attended the conference. A.D.A. representatives in addition to Drs. Washburn, Mingos, Flagstad and Curren, included Drs. Leroy Ennis of Philadelphia, William McGill Burns of Brooklyn, Harold W. Oppice of Chicago, C. K. Foster of Cedar Rapids, Ia., and J. B. Carr of Indianapolis, Ind., members of the Board of Trustees; Dr. Gerald Timmons, of Philadelphia, president-elect of the American Association of Dental Schools; Dr. Henry Swanson, of Washington, D. C., president of the American Association of Dental Examiners; and several A.D.A. staff members including Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, general secretary, Dr. Lon W. Morrey, editor of The Journal of the American Dental Association; Drs. L. M. Cruttenden and

C. Willard Camalier, assistant secretaries, and Mr. Herbert B. Bain, director, Bureau of Public Information.

**LACK OF HEALTH PERSONNEL
MAY INTERFERE WITH DRAFT**

Although most major issues were unresolved when the conference adjourned, representatives of both the Association and the dental corps expressed the hope that future discussions would bring about permanent improvement of the present state of affairs. The conference was the first of its kind in the history of the Association. It was called by the army under the heavy pressures of the present shortages of professional personnel which are so drastic that actual operation of the dental corps may be seriously impaired. It has been pointed out repeatedly that failure to provide adequate health care as specified in the new Selective Service act may slow down or even halt the actual drafting of men for the expanded military forces authorized by Congress. As the conference closed, the A.D.A. delegation made it clear that the Association, while insisting on corrective actions in many quarters, is vitally concerned in the provision of necessary dental care for all servicemen and will continue to participate in a "serious and honest effort to solve the problems involved by mutual discussion and assurance."

THE PROPOSED NEW CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

The proposed new constitution and bylaws which will be considered by the A.D.A. House of Delegates next month represents more than two years of work by the Board of Trustees and the Committee on Constitutional and Administrative Bylaws headed by Dr. Percy T. Phillips of New York City. Other members of the committee are Drs. Max E. Ernst of St. Paul and C. E. Peterson of Rockville, Conn. The new document was published in full in the July issue of the A.D.A. JOURNAL. If adopted, it will replace the constitution and bylaws adopted in 1922 under which the Association has operated for 26 years. During this period, the bylaws have been repeatedly amended and changed, resulting in a hodge-podge of conflicting and over-lapping powers and assignments to Association agencies. These over-lapping assignments of powers and duties have been eliminated in the proposed bylaws. Brief comments on the major sections of the new document follow:

HOUSE OF DELEGATES The House of Delegates will remain as the supreme authority of the Association with full power and responsibility for the passage of legislation including amendment or repeal of the bylaws, for the adoption of the annual budgets, for the election of officers, for the determination of Association policies and for selection of the place for the annual meeting. The new bylaws provide that in an emergency certain policy making and fiscal powers and duties of the House may be transferred to the Board of Trustees. Transfer of the power to enact, amend or repeal the constitution and bylaws and to elect officers and trustees is specifically prohibited. A much broader base is provided for the calling of a special session of the House. Under the present bylaws, a special session may be called by the President on the written request of as few as 27 delegates. Under the new bylaws, the House may be called into session by a three-fourths vote of the Board of Trustees or at the written request of one-fifth of the certified delegates of the last previous House provided that those requesting the special session include one delegate from not less than one-third of the constituent societies. Requirements for a quorum are raised from one-fifth of the certified delegates to one-fourth.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES The Board of Trustees will continue as the fiscal body of the Association with full responsibility for the maintenance and supervision of all offices and properties of the Association. The Board is given new authority to establish ad interim policies when the House of Delegates is not in session and when such policies are essential to the management of the Association. Such actions, however, must be reported for review at the next session of the House of Delegates. The Board is also given authority to elect three appointive officers of the Association -- the secretary, treasurer and editor.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS The elective officers of the Association will consist of a president, president-elect, three vice presidents, and a speaker of the House. The president will continue to preside at the meetings of the Board of Trustees but his duties as the presiding officer of the House will be assigned to the speaker. The president will continue to serve as the official representative of the Association in its dealings with all outside organizations. Duties of the president-elect and the vice presidents are unchanged except that succession to the office of president, in the event of a vacancy, is assigned to the first vice president. The speaker is the only new elective office created by the new bylaws.

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS The appointive officers will consist of the secretary who will be in charge of the Central Office and all of its branches and who will be responsible for the supervision and coordination of activities of Association agencies in regard to their specific assignments, the editor who will be editor-in-chief of all association publications, and the treasurer who will act as custodian of all funds, securities and deeds of the Association.

MEMBERSHIP Six classifications for membership are provided in the new by-laws: active, life, affiliate, student, honorary and associate. Only minor changes are made regarding active members. The requirements for life members under the proposed bylaws are: (1) 65 years of age (no change); (2) 35 instead of 25 years of membership in the A.D.A.; (3) nomination by the Board of Trustees instead of by constituent societies; and (4) election by the House of Delegates (no change.) The new bylaws also provide that life members must pay for a subscription to the A.D.A. JOURNAL which life members now receive without charge. A new classification of affiliate members is provided to cover all ethical dentists who are members of a recognized dental society of any foreign nation. This classification replaces the present Pan-American Membership classification which limited foreign memberships to resident dentists in the nations of the western hemisphere. The classification of junior membership for dental students is changed to student membership and is extended to all dental students, interns and residents. The classification of honorary members is unchanged except that only three such memberships may be awarded by the House of Delegates in any one year. The new bylaws provide that members of allied professions may be nominated by the Board of Trustees and elected by the House of Delegates as associate members.

ANNUAL DUES Annual dues for the various types of Association memberships are listed in the proposed bylaws as follows: Active members, \$12 (double the present rate); Life members, none; student members, \$6; affiliate and associate members, \$10; honorary members, none.

CONSTITUENT SOCIETIES The proposed bylaws give the House of Delegates authority to charter a constituent society on the application of 25 active members providing no constituent society already exists in the same jurisdiction. The new bylaws also direct the secretary of the Association to issue charters to the 53 existing constituent societies. The new document also proposes a revised definition regarding a practicing dentist eligible for active membership. It states: "Any dentist who has retired from active practice or who is engaged in activities furthering the object of this Association may be considered to be practicing dentistry within the meaning of this section." There is virtually no change in the section dealing with component (local) societies.

**BOARDS, COMMISSIONS
COMMITTEES & COUNCILS** The number of standing committees, councils, boards and commissions will be reduced from 23 to 18 under the proposed bylaws. All such agencies will be designated as councils with the exception of the National Board of Dental Examiners. Each council will have five members with the exception of the Councils on Dental Education and Dental Health and the National Board of Dental Examiners, each of which will be entitled to 9 members. At present, membership of councils and committees range from three, on the Committee

on Constitution and Administrative Bylaws, to 25 on the National Board of Dental Examiners. The proposed bylaws provide that council members will be nominated by the Board of Trustees and will be elected by the House of Delegates. Nominations may also be made from the floor of the House. A special provision is made whereby six of the nine members of the Council on Dental Education and the National Board of Dental Examiners may be nominated by outside organizations. Election of all council members, however, will be by the House of Delegates. No essential function is abolished in the reduction in the number of standing committees. Work of the Committee on Library and Indexing Service, the Committee on Nomenclature and the Committee on Economics will be assigned to new bureaus (see below). Duties of the Committee on Patents and Honorary Awards will be divided with patents assigned to the new Council on Legislation and honorary awards to the Board of Trustees. Activities of the present Committee on Prosthetic Dental Service will be assigned to the new Council on Dental Trade and Laboratory Relations. Duties of the Committee on Scientific and Health Exhibits and the Committee on Motion Pictures are assigned to the Council on Scientific Sessions. The Committee on American Red Cross is the only committee abolished outright. The only entirely new agency is that of the Council on Journalism. Other standing committees will function primarily as presently constituted although some may operate under a new name. The new bylaws provided that the Committee on Military Affairs will be known as the Council on Federal Government Dental Corps which will have duties identical to those of the present committee. The new name was suggested so that the agency would be authorized to include relations with all government agencies including those which are not military in character such as the U. S. Public Health Service and the Veterans Administration. Duties of the new council will be to "(a) to review and study the specific problems of the various dental corps; and (b) to formulate plans that will increase the efficiency of said corps and to submit such plans to the Board of Trustees for action in conformity with policies adopted by the House of Delegates."

BUREAUS The proposed bylaws provide for four bureaus which will operate directly under the supervision of the secretary. Each bureau will be assigned an advisory committee of five active members to be elected by the House of Delegates. Nomination to the advisory committees will be made by the Board of Trustees with additional nominations from the House of Delegates. The Bureau of Library and Indexing Service will assume functions now held by the committee with the same name plus that of the Committee on Nomenclature. The Bureau of Statistics will take over work of the Committee on Economics. The Bureau of Chemistry will be established as a separate agency. The fourth authorized in the new bylaws is the Bureau of Public Information.

TRUSTEE DISTRICTS Trustee districts are unchanged with the nation and its territories and possessions divided into thirteen districts. Each district is entitled to one member of the Board of Trustees.

HOUSE TO CONSIDER PLAN TO REDUCE NUMBER OF DELEGATES

A plan for the reduction of the number of members of the House of Delegates, which will total 387 this year, will be considered by the House at its Chicago meeting next month. A special committee of the House, composed of Drs. C. J. Wright of Lansing, chairman; W. W. Hurst of Cleveland and H. J. Nedrud of Minot, N. D., has worked out a new formula whereby the size of the House will be reduced approximately 40 per cent. This formula is based on a plan recommended by the Southern California State Dental Association. The new formula stipulates that a constituent society must have a minimum of 25 active members to be entitled to one delegate. Under the present plan, each constituent society is allowed one delegate regardless of the number of its members. Under the proposed plan second delegates will be allowed each constituent society when its total membership is over 200, instead of the 100 mark as now provided. A third delegate will be allowed under the new plan when the society membership exceeds 400, instead of 300 as now required. Thereafter, the new formula allows one additional

delegate for each 400 additional members, twice the present requirement. Based on the same membership on which the 1947 House of Delegates was constituted, the new formula would have reduced the 1947 House from a total of 370 delegates to 228 delegates. At the 1946 meeting in Miami and last year at Boston, resolutions were introduced calling for a reduction in the number of delegates. Principal argument advanced for a reduction in the size of the House is that the present body has grown so large as a result of the rapid expansion of Association membership that it is unable to transact its business efficiently. Several state societies pay either all or part of the expenses of their delegates at annual meetings, and many officials have urged a reduction in the number of delegates to ease the direct cost to those societies. The special committee is also scheduled to recommend to the House that it provide for the election of a speaker to preside over its sessions. The committee report on this issue, in part, follows:

Very few members realize the arduous duties the President of the Association is called on to perform during the annual session. He presides at meetings of the House of Delegates, Board of Trustees, and general sessions. In addition, there are many functions where protocol requires him to attend as the Association's chief executive....Similar organizations with large assemblies such as the House of Delegates have solved this problem by electing a Speaker to preside at its meetings. A Speaker may also be reelected making it possible then for the House to have the services of an experienced presiding officer since custom has decreed that a President serve only for one year. By providing for the election of a Speaker, it will permit the President to devote his attention to other problems.

DR. VOLLAND, A.D.A. TREASURER, SUFFERS HEART ATTACK

Dr. Roscoe H. Volland of Iowa City, Ia., treasurer of the American Dental Association for the past two decades, is showing remarkable improvement at Mercy Hospital, Iowa City, following a heart attack he suffered in his office Saturday morning, Aug. 7. From his hospital room, Dr. Volland has sent word requesting the A.D.A. NEWSLETTER to convey his sincere thanks and appreciation for the large number of letters, flowers and telegrams sent him by his dental colleagues from coast to coast. Though they report Dr. Volland's condition as very good, attending physicians have ruled against his wish to attend the annual A.D.A. session in Chicago next month. Dr. Volland has been treasurer of the Association since 1928, and served as A.D.A. president in 1927.

DR. PERCY PHILLIPS IS NAMED DENTAL REPRESENTATIVE ON MEDICAL COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL SECURITY RESOURCES BOARD

Dr. Percy Phillips, of New York, secretary of the Dental Society of the State of New York, has been appointed as the dental representative on the six-member medical advisory committee of the National Security Resources Board. Other members are five physicians: Drs. Edward L. Bortz, Philadelphia, past AMA president; A. C. Bachmayer, Chicago; James C. Sargent, Milwaukee; William P. Shepard, San Francisco; and Michael E. De Bakey, New Orleans. As advisors to the N.S.R.B., this group will play a major role in top government decisions regarding procurement of professional personnel for federal agencies including the armed forces. Under federal law, the N.S.R.B. will operate directly under the President, coordinating and mediating demands of defense and civilian agencies for the nation's basic resources including personnel. As word of Dr. Phillips' appointment was announced by N.S.R.B. Chairman Arthur M. Hill, it was reported that Secretary of Defense Forrestal is planning to name a new committee similar to the old procurement and assignment board in operation during World War II. No confirmation of this report has been received. It is presumed, however, that such a committee, if named, would operate under the over-all plan determined by N.S.R.B.

OPERATING DEFICIT FOR 1947-48 FISCAL YEAR IS \$190,539.07

The American Dental Association ended the 1947-48 fiscal year with a total operating deficit of \$190,539.07. Included were capital losses of \$33,969.42 resulting from the sale of securities. Total expenses for the year were \$868,023.51 compared with a total income and recoveries of \$677,484.44. During the year, total general reserves of the Association which include land and building, declined from \$1,207,534.20 to \$1,012,715.13. Net relief fund assets on June 30 totalled \$695,870.14. The year's total deficit was approximately \$122,000 less than that authorized at the Boston meeting of the House of Delegates a year ago when total budget appropriations of \$1,076,578.46 were approved. The \$122,000 saving was achieved through the cooperation of all agencies of the Association with a request of the Board of Trustees that all activities be held to a bare minimum. Many factors are involved in the increased cost of activities of the Association. Costs have swept upwards in the rising spiral of inflation which is nation-wide; membership has increased more than 70 per cent in the past ten years requiring a considerable extension of services; many new activities have been undertaken and old activities expanded. While the financial position of the Association is sound, it is apparent that income will have to be increased or current activities curtailed.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE PLANS OPEN FORUM FOR SUNDAY, SEPT. 12

An open forum will be conducted by the A.D.A. Committee on Legislation on Sunday, Sept. 12, in the Grey Room of the Hotel Sherman, Chicago. The agenda will include discussions of proposed federal legislation to extend old age and survivors insurance benefits under social security laws to members of the dental program, problems relating to national defense and the various federal government dental corps, and proposed state legislation including measures designed to extend licensure to dental laboratory technicians. All dentists are welcome to participate in the meeting.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS NAMED BY DR. WASHBURN

Appointment of members of the 13 reference committees for the 89th annual session of the House of Delegates in Chicago next month has been announced by Dr. H. B. Washburn, A.D.A. president. The appointments have been divided equally among the 13 trustee districts with each having three reference committee members. They are:

Constitution and Bylaws -- R. G. Keyworth, St. Paul, Minn., chairman; T. C. Blutau, Rochester, N. Y.; Earl G. Jones, Columbus, O.

Credentials -- P. W. Zillmann, Buffalo, N. Y., chairman; A. B. Coxwell, Louisville, Ky.; S. R. Kleiman, Chicago, Ill.

Dental Economics -- John H. Dawe, Honolulu, T. H., chairman; Don M. Hamm, Clarksville, Ark.; Perley J. Lessard, Portland, Me.

Dental Education -- Albert Vieille, Los Angeles, Cal., chairman; T. E. Burrington, Rapid City, S. D.; L. E. Van Kirk, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dental Therapeutics -- E. J. Jennings, Trenton, N. J., chairman; L. W. Johnston, Denver, Colo.; F. C. Williams, Corinth, Miss.

Legislation -- G. M. Anderson, Baltimore, Md., chairman; W. S. Moyes, Ogden, Utah; L. E. Steward, Peoria, Ill.

Military Affairs -- W. W. Hurst, Cleveland, O., chairman; Clemens V. Rault, Washington, D. C.; J. P. Werrick, Minneapolis, Minn.

Miscellaneous Business -- Harry Lyons, Richmond, Va., chairman; H. K. Cooper, Lancaster, Pa.; H. A. Hartley, Chicago, Ill.

Prosthetic Dental Service -- C. H. Jamieson, Detroit, Mich., chairman; Milon Eaton, Philadelphia, Pa.; Paul Jones, Farmville, N. C.

Public Health -- M. K. Hine, Indianapolis, Ind., chairman; H. I. Margolis, Boston, Mass.; P. F. O'Brien, St. Louis, Mo.

Reports of Officers -- W. H. Mork, New York, N. Y., chairman; H. M. Willits, Dubuque, Ia.; F. E. Wood, Seattle, Wash.

Rules and Order -- Earle S. Arnold, West Hartford, Conn., chairman; G. A. LeSage, Superior, Wisc.; R. A. Sand, Fargo, N. D.

Sections and Section Work -- H. E. Summers, Huntington, W. Va., chairman; L. H. Andrews, St. Joseph, Mich.; W. K. Waltmon, Hearne, Texas