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News Letter

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TEN FEDERAL AGENCIES JOIN TO FORM NEW COUNCIL ON DENTAL AFFAIRS -- DR. LEO J. SCHOENY, OF NEW ORLEANS, IS NAMED CHAIRMAN OF GROUP

Formation of an Inter-Agency Council on Dental Affairs, made up of representatives of ten departments and agencies of the federal government concerned with dentistry, was formally announced last week. The new council is headed by Dr. Leo J. Schoeny, of New Orleans, dentist member of the Health Resources Advisory Committee of the Office of Defense Mobilization. Formation of the council marks the first time that an effort has been made to bring into single focus all major activities of the government relating to the dental profession. Hitherto, such efforts have mainly been limited to military and defense matters.

SEVERAL MAJOR PROBLEMS SLATED FOR ATTENTION

with dentistry, members of the dental profession or dental care programs," Dr. Schoeny said. He reported that several agencies in addition to the original ten are expected to assign official representatives to the council. Among major items of concern to the council, he said, are more effective utilization of dental officers and auxiliary personnel in the armed forces; the training of dental auxiliary personnel; recruitment of dental officers, particularly career officers; and dental research. The new council is scheduled to hold a meeting Friday, Dec. 3, jointly with the Inter-Agency Council on Medical Affairs.

"We are primarily concerned with discussions of problems common to all agencies of the federal government that have any connection

AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES ARE LISTED FOR COUNCIL

there are two names, the second individual is to serve as the alternate.

Department of Defense -- Dr. Thomas D. Fox, dentist member of the Advisory Committee to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health and Medical Affairs.

Army -- Maj. Gen. Oscar P. Snyder, chief of the dental corps; Col. George F. Jeffcott, assistant chief of the dental corps.

Navy -- Rear Adm. Daniel W. Ryan, chief of the dental corps; Capt. Bernard H. Faubion, deputy chief of the dental corps.

Air Force -- Brig. Gen. Marvin E. Kennebeck, chief of the dental service; Col. John K. Sitzman, chief of the professional division of the dental service.

Veterans Administration -- Dr. John E. Fauber, dental director; Dr. Sherman A. Pyfrin, deputy director.

U.S. Public Health Service -- Dr. John W. Knutson, chief dental officer; Dr. Walter J. Pelton, chief of the division of dental resources.

Selective Service -- Col. Richard Eanes, chief medical officer.

Bureau of the Budget -- Mr. Fred McNamara.

Civil Service Commission -- Dr. Verne K. Harvey, chief of the medical division, bureau of departmental operations.

Department of Interior -- Dr. James R. Shaw, chief of the health branch, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Dr. Leland E. Weyer, chief of the dental branch, division of hospitals, U.S. Public Health Service.

Following are the agencies represented in the new council together with the officially designated representatives of the agency. Where

PERRY J. SANDELL TO HEAD NEW BUREAU OF DENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION

Mr. Perry J. Sandell, of Chicago, has been appointed director of the newly established Bureau of Dental Health Education of the American Dental Association, it was announced today by Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, Association secretary. The new Bureau, established by the House of Delegates at its annual meeting last month, replaced the Division of Dental Health Education which formerly operated as a unit of the Council on Dental Health. Mr. Sandell headed this division since 1952. Prior to that time, Mr. Sandell served for six years as director of health, physical education, recreation and safety in the Minnesota State Department of Education in St. Paul. He holds a bachelor's and master's degree in education from the University of Minnesota and he formerly taught in schools at Pipestone, Minn., and Enderlin, N. D. In addition to his post with the A.D.A., Mr. Sandell is also associate editor of the Journal of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation. He is the A.D.A. representative on the Council on National Organizations of the Adult Education Association; the Committee for the Revision of School Health Policies, and the School Health Section Council of the American Public Health Association.

FEDERAL CIVIL DEFENSE ADMINISTRATION ISSUES NEWS LETTER FOR DENTISTS

A dental news letter on civil defense activities is now being issued by the Federal Civil Defense Administration at Battle Creek, Mich., it has been announced by Dr. Russell W. Bunting, dental consultant to the FCDA. The first issue, which appeared last week, described Army and Navy training films which are in the process of being released for the use of state and local dental societies and told about outstanding projects being carried on by dentists in Detroit and in Shamokin, Penn. The news letter also noted that Dr. Carl L. Sebelius, of Nashville, chief of the dental office of the Division of Dental Health of the Tennessee Department of Public Health, had been named chairman of the A.D.A. Civil Defense Subcommittee, succeeding Dr. John R. Abel, of Beverly Hills, Cal., who is a new member of the Association's Board of Trustees. Dentists or societies wishing to receive this new news letter should write Dr. Bunting whose address is: Dental Consultant, Federal Civil Defense Administration, Battle Creek, Mich.

PLANS FOR 1955 NATIONAL HEALTH FORUM ANNOUNCED

"Forecasting America's Health" will be the theme of the 1955 National Health Forum to be held March 23-24 at the Hotel Sheraton Astor in New York City. The forum will be a feature of the National Health Council's 35th annual meeting. Outlining plans for the forum, Dr. Roscoe P. Kandle, deputy commissioner of the New York City department of health, and forum chairman, said: "We will try to establish better guidelines along which the many groups interested in health may work more effectively. We will check economic trends; try to gauge how atomic developments will affect health; look at current governmental programs, and see how new health programs of labor and management should alter community plans." Persons wishing to attend the meeting may obtain advance programs from the National Health Council, 1790 Broadway, New York 19.

DR. DANIEL F. LYNCH TO ADDRESS GREATER NEW YORK DENTAL MEETING

Dr. Daniel F. Lynch, of Washington, D.C., president of the A.D.A., will be a speaker at the 30th annual session of the Greater New York Dental Meeting to be held Dec. 6-10 at the Hotel Statler in New York City. Dr. Lynch, whose subject will be "Leadership in Dentistry," will share the platform with Mr. Kenneth R. Miller, of New York, senior vice-president of the National Association of Manufacturers, and Dr. William A. Fennelly, of New York, president of the Dental Society of the State of New York, at a general session Monday evening, Dec. 6. Highlights of the scientific portion of the program at the five-day meeting include a series of exhibits entitled "Modern Dental Research" at which research scientists will show equipment and technics; 11 clinics televised in color; 24 clinics projected on large screens; 12 table clinics; 36 registered clinics; nine topic discussions, and three general session discussions on dental technics. There will also be a number of scientific films. General chairman of the meeting, sponsored by the 1st and 2nd District Dental Societies of the State of New York, is Dr. Matthew Besdine.

Following is a list of contributions to the A.D.A. Relief Fund to Nov. 24 by constituent societies.

QUOTA OF \$925.00 or UNDER

QUOTA OVER \$925.00

	<u>QUOTA</u>	<u>1954-55</u> <u>CONTRI-</u> <u>BUTION</u>	<u>PCT.</u>		<u>QUOTA</u>	<u>1954-55</u> <u>CONTRI-</u> <u>BUTION</u>	<u>PCT.</u>
Air Force	\$600.00	\$151.75	25.3	California	\$3,820.00	\$2,446.50	64.0
Alabama	800.00	773.50	96.7	So. Calif.	4,580.00	2,322.00	50.7
Alaska	60.00			Colorado	960.00	383.00	39.9
Arizona	300.00	71.00	23.7	Connecticut	1,940.00	1,144.50	59.0
Arkansas	560.00	331.50	59.2	Florida	1,380.00	806.00	58.4
Army	580.00	120.00	20.7	Georgia	1,020.00	509.00	49.9
Delaware	150.00	123.00	82.0	Illinois	7,240.00	4,461.00	61.6
Dist. of C.	830.00	557.00	67.1	Indiana	2,340.00	1,503.50	64.3
Hawaii	350.00			Iowa	1,780.00	1,369.50	76.9
Idaho	260.00	87.50	33.7	Kansas	960.00	540.15	56.3
Maine	460.00	220.00	47.8	Kentucky	1,130.00	360.00	31.9
Mississippi	530.00	349.00	65.8	Louisiana	1,020.00	548.50	53.8
Montana	370.00	332.00	89.7	Maryland	1,060.00	703.00	66.3
Navy	920.00	214.00	23.3	Mass.	3,690.00	1,150.00	31.2
Nevada	100.00	94.00	94.0	Michigan	4,100.00	2,399.00	58.5
New Hamp.	300.00	116.00	38.7	Minnesota	2,840.00	1,653.55	58.2
New Mexico	240.00	155.00	64.6	Missouri	2,450.00	1,403.50	57.3
North Dakota	330.00	197.05	59.7	Nebraska	1,060.00	955.00	90.1
Oklahoma	920.00	509.00	55.3	New Jersey	4,020.00	2,258.50	56.2
Panama C. Z.	10.00			New York	15,200.00	5,948.00	39.1
P.H. Service	210.00	152.50	72.6	N. Carolina	1,240.00	416.00	33.5
Puerto Rico	190.00	3.00	1.6	Ohio	4,920.00	2,525.00	50.7
Rhode Island	560.00	133.00	23.8	Oregon	1,230.00	822.50	66.9
S. Carolina	450.00	149.50	33.2	Penn.	6,810.00	3,099.75	45.5
S. Dakota	350.00	86.00	24.6	Tennessee	1,310.00	1,751.00	133.7
Utah	470.00	366.50	78.0	Texas	3,190.00	1,510.50	47.4
Vermont	200.00	64.00	32.0	Virginia	1,150.00	678.00	59.0
Vet. Admin.	810.00	148.00	18.3	Washington	1,800.00	1,289.00	71.6
W. Virginia	760.00	430.50	56.6	Wisconsin	2,930.00	1,370.50	46.8
Wyoming	160.00	80.50	50.3				
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TOTAL	\$12,830.00	\$6,014.80	46.9		\$87,170.00	\$46,326.45	53.1

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1954-55

	<u>QUOTA</u>	<u>CONTRIBUTION</u>	<u>PCT.</u>
QUOTAS OF \$925.00 or UNDER	\$12,830.00	\$ 6,014.80	46.9
QUOTAS OVER \$925.00	87,170.00	46,326.45	53.1
STUDENTS		458.00	
MISCELLANEOUS		1.00	
MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS		240.00	
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$100,000.00</u>	<u>\$53,040.25</u>	<u>53.0</u>

TENNESSEE IS FIRST STATE SOCIETY TO EXCEED QUOTA IN RELIEF FUND DRIVE; CONTRIBUTIONS REACH \$53,040

Tennessee became the first constituent society to exceed its quota in the 1954-55 Relief Fund drive as total contributions reached \$53,040.25 on Oct. 24. Contributions continued to run about \$3,000 behind last year's pace. The larger societies (quotas over \$925) jumped off to an early lead with 53 per cent of quota contributed compared to 47 per cent for the smaller societies (quotas of \$925 and under). An innovation this year is the listing of contributions made as a memorial to deceased dentists. To date, \$240 has been contributed for this purpose. Individual contributions to date have averaged \$3.55. A detailed listing of contributions by state societies and federal services is contained on the accompanying Mimeographed page.

FRANCIS J. GARVEY RESIGNS AS SECRETARY OF A.D.A. COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION

Mr. Francis J. Garvey, of Chicago, secretary of the A.D.A. Council on Legislation since December, 1948, has resigned from the staff of the Association, effective Dec. 31. He plans to engage in the practice of law in California. Prior to joining the staff of the Association, Mr. Garvey practiced law in Chicago and had served as a division chief in the Office of Legislation of the Veterans Administration in Washington, D.C. A graduate of the Loyola (Chicago) University Law School, he also was a member of the Legislative Reference Bureau of the Illinois General Assembly and assistant secretary of the Illinois Senate. During World War II, he served in the Pacific as a Navy officer. While at the A.D.A., Mr. Garvey has been instrumental in developing and expanding the Association's legislative program. From 1950 to 1952, Mr. Garvey also held the position of executive secretary of the National Emergency Dental Services Committee. Recently he served as a consultant to the dental subcommittee of the Hoover Commission Task Force on Medical Services. He has written a number of articles for dental society publications and has appeared on the programs of numerous constituent and component societies. He is a member of the American, Illinois and Chicago Bar Associations and of the American Judicature Society. He has also been admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court.

28TH ANNUAL DALLAS MID-WINTER DENTAL CLINIC WILL OPEN JAN. 30

Dentists from the Southwest are expected at the 28th annual Dallas Mid-Winter Dental Clinic to be held Jan. 30 through Feb. 2 at the Hotel Adlophus in Dallas. The chairman of the four-day meeting, sponsored by the Dallas County Dental Society, is Dr. Jack E. Myers. Clinics will be presented by Dr. Stanley D. Tylman, of Chicago; Dr. William W. Demeritt, of Chapel Hill, N.C.; Dr. William E. Koch Jr., of St. Louis; Dr. Roland D. Fisher, of Glendale, Cal.; Dr. Thomas O. Burgess, of Moorhead, Minn.; Dr. Louis I. Grossman, of Philadelphia; Dr. J. Lewis Blass, of New York City, and Col. Robert B. Shira, of Washington, D.C. A table clinic program will be held in the new building of the College of Dentistry, Baylor University.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA POST-GRADUATE CLINIC SET FOR MARCH 13-16

The District of Columbia Dental Society's 23rd annual Postgraduate Clinic will be held March 13-16 at the Shoreham Hotel. In addition to projected clinics, topic discussions and scientific exhibits, registered clinics will be presented by Col. Robert B. Shira, of Washington, D.C.; Dr. Paul K. Losch, of Boston; Dr. Edwin S. Smyd, of Detroit; Dr. Samuel M. Jones, of Kansas City, Mo.; Dr. Carl R. Oman, of New York, and Dr. Harold L. Harris, of Denver. General chairman of the meeting is Dr. E. Milburn Colvin Jr.

A.D.A. MEMBERSHIP PASSES 82,000 MARK

A.D.A. membership passed 82,000 on Oct. 31 for the first time in Association history. Included in the total of 82,079 members were 72,167 dentists and 9,695 dental students. Forty-five constituent societies and the Navy showed gains over corresponding figures for last year.

MAYOR PRAISES DENTISTS FOR BRINGING FLUORIDATION TO PHILADELPHIA

Mayor Joseph S. Clark Jr., of Philadelphia, recently commended the dental profession for its role in bringing fluoridation to the nation's third largest city (see A.D.A. News Letter, Oct. 1, 1954). In a letter to Dr. Charles H. Patton, of Philadelphia, a member of the A.D.A. Board of Trustees, Mayor Clark wrote: "It has been very heartwarming to have the advice and support of the dental profession in effecting fluoridation of the water supply in Philadelphia.... There has been no substantial adverse reaction to the program....I feel that this good record resulted in large part from the educational work carried on with the general public prior to and during the program's adoption; and the help of the American Dental Association in this work was extremely important."

1,029 CITIES ADOPT PROGRAM-- PHARMACISTS ENDORSE MEASURE

Nine new communities have recently announced the start of fluoridation of their community water supplies, bringing to a total of 1,029 the number of cities and towns now using the procedure to reduce the incidence of dental decay. These cities and towns have a total population of 20,210,624, it was announced by the A.D.A. Council on Dental Health. Largest of the communities to start fluoridation in recent weeks is Vallejo, Cal., with a population of 34,000. In addition, Vallejo provides water for 46,00 persons in nearby communities including the Mare Island Naval Shipyards. Meanwhile, the American Pharmaceutical Association at its recent annual meeting announced its endorsement of the A.D.A. policy supporting fluoridation.

NEW EDITION OF ACCEPTED DENTAL REMEDIES WILL BE ISSUED JAN. 1

A revised section on nutrition, with emphasis on vitamin products, is one of the features of the 20th (1955) edition of Accepted Dental Remedies to be issued Jan. 1, it was announced this week by Dr. J. Roy Doty, of Chicago, secretary of the A.D.A. Council on Dental Therapeutics. An evaluation of nearly 800 dental drug products is included in the new edition of the publication, among them a number of new antibiotics. For the first time, as a convenience to dentists, the addresses of distributors and manufacturers have also been listed. Copies of the 207-page volume may be obtained for \$2 from the Order Department, American Dental Association, 222 E. Superior St., Chicago 11.

A.D.A. MEMBERS INVITED TO DENTAL CONGRESS IN ATHENS IN 1955

A.D.A. members are invited to the Second Panhellenic Congress to be sponsored by the Stomatological Society of Greece September 25 to 30, 1955, in Athens. As a special feature for international visitors, arrangements have been made for a 16-day cruise aboard a luxury liner to renowned historic sites of Greece. Venice is also included. A special meeting of the Federation Dentaire Internationale will be held in Athens, in conjunction with the Congress. U.S. dentists interested in attending the meeting are asked to communicate with Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, of Chicago, A.D.A. secretary.

BRIEFS IN THE NEWS

Brig. Gen. Charles A. Lindberg has presented the \$500 Pulitzer Prize award money for his biography, "Spirit of St. Louis," to the School of Dental and Oral Surgery, Columbia University. The fund will be used for the maintenance of the school's dental museum....The address of Dr. R. Fred Hunt, new member of the Council on Dental Trade and Laboratory Relations, was erroneously listed as Asheville, N.C., in the Nov. 15 issue of the A.D.A. News Letter. Dr. Hunt is a resident of Rocky Mount, N.C....Dr. Henry A. Swanson, of Washington, D.C., former vice-president of the A.D.A., is the first dentist to become chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board of Consultants to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology....The Kansas State Department of Education has approved the release of pupils during school hours for dental and medical treatment....The A.D.A. Council on Dental Research will meet Dec. 2-3 at the Sheraton-Carlton Hotel in Washington, D.C....Dr. James W. Ruble, of Charleston, W. Va., director of the Bureau of Dental Health of the West Virginia Department of Health, has resigned the position, effective Dec. 1, to enter private practice in Hillsboro, Ohio....The American Academy of Dental Medicine will hold its ninth mid-annual meeting at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, at the Hotel Statler in New York City.