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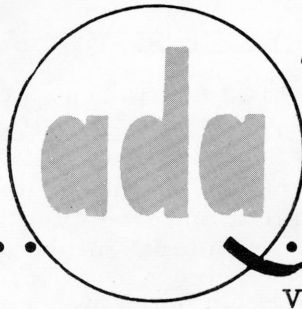


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A.D.A. RELIEF FUND'S 'GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY' DRIVE REACHES \$90,693 - TENNESSEE LEADS 23 CONSTITUENT SOCIETIES TOPPING 100 PER CENT MARK

The 1956-57 campaign of the A.D.A. Relief Fund reached \$90,692.43 as of Dec. 31, 1956 to be within less than 10 per cent of its \$100,000 quota. Last year at the same time contributions were \$74,762.46. Twenty-three constituent societies have passed the 100 per cent mark. Tennessee leads with contributions equalling 320.2 per cent of its quota. Alaska is second with 290 per cent. Additional societies to pass the 100 per cent mark since Dec. 9 are: Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska and Washington. Dr. H. R. Bleier, of Milwaukee, chairman of the A.D.A. Council on Relief, thanked all dentists who have made this drive so successful and has asked that those who have not as yet mailed in their contributions do so as soon as possible. A list of contributions by constituent societies and federal dental services will be found on the accompanying Mimeographed page.

F.T.C. BROADENS SCOPE OF HEARING ON LABORATORY 'RULES'

The Federal Trade Commission has directed that the "need for amendment" of the Commission's definition of the commercial dental laboratory industry be considered at a forthcoming public hearing on the A.D.A.'s request for revision of the "Trade Practice Rules for the Commercial Dental Laboratory Industry" which were promulgated by the F.T.C. on Nov. 4, 1955. The latest F.T.C. action was in response to a petition filed by the A.D.A. on Nov. 19. This petition (See A.D.A. News Letter, Dec. 1, 1956) protested an earlier ruling by F.T.C. staff members that a public hearing on a revision of the "Rules" would be strictly limited to matters of terminology. The new decision was announced in a letter dated Dec. 19, from Robert M. Parrish, secretary of the commission, to Mr. Renah F. Camalier, of Washington, D. C., special legal consultant to the Association. No date has been set for the hearing although it is expected that it will be held within the next few weeks. Meanwhile, discussions are continuing between representatives of the A.D.A. and F.T.C. officials in an effort to clarify those portions of the F.T.C. rulings regarding expanded discussion of the relationship between the commercial dental laboratories and the dental profession and the need for limitations on advertising campaigns of unethical laboratories.

COUNCILS ON LEGISLATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, TO HOLD JOINT SESSION

A joint meeting of the Council on Legislation, headed by Dr. J. Claude Earnest, of Monroe, La., and the Council on Federal Dental Services, headed by Dr. Francis Reichmann, of Oklahoma City, will be held Monday, Jan. 7, at the A.D.A. Central Office. Items scheduled for consideration are dental aspects of the Defense Department's new program of health care for dependents of military personnel and the recruitment of personnel for the federal dental services. Participating in the meeting will be Lt. Col. R. W. Hobson of the Office of Dependents' Medical Care headed by Maj. Gen. Paul I. Robinson. Gen. Robinson said that his office soon will clarify the extent of dental services which can be provided under the Medicare program (See A.D.A. News Letter, Dec. 15, 1956). Both Councils will meet separately on Jan 6.

FIVE A.D.A. OFFICIALS ARE DISMISSED AS DEFENDANTS IN LIBEL SUIT

Five of the seven A.D.A. officials named as defendants in the \$100,000 lawsuit of Dr. Robert J. H. Mick, of Laurel Springs, N.J. against the A.D.A. (see A.D.A. News Letter, Oct. 25, 1956) were dismissed as defendants on Dec. 13 by order of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Camden County. The complaint alleges that some statements by A.D.A. officials and articles in A.D.A. publications relating to fluoridation contained "false and libelous statements" regarding Dr. Mick. For several years Dr. Mick has been an outspoken opponent of water fluoridation. Dismissed as defendants in the suit were the following A.D.A. officials: Dr. Bernerd C. Kingsbury, of San Francisco, immediate past president; Dr. Harry Lyons, president; Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, secretary and Dr. H. Trendley Dean, secretary of the Council on Dental Research. The Court ruled that the complaint failed to state a claim against these defendants. Dr. J. Roy Doty, secretary of the Council on Dental Therapeutics, was also dismissed as a defendant on the ground that he was not served with a summons relating to the suit. Remaining as defendants in the suit are the Association and Dr. Lon W. Morrey, editor of the Journal of the American Dental Association, and Mr. Herbert B. Bain, director, Bureau of Public Information. No date has been set for the trial of the suit.

SIX DENTAL SCHOOLS SHARE IN GRANTS FOR RESEARCH FACILITIES

Grants totalling \$766,000 have been made by the federal government to six dental schools for the construction of additional research facilities, it was announced in mid-December by Surgeon General Leroy E. Burney of the Public Health Service. In all, 73 grants totalling \$24.4 million were included in the list. Most of the grants were made to medical schools. The dental school grants are as follows: University of Illinois, \$26,250; Indiana University, \$127,283; State University of Iowa, \$122,500; University of Kansas City, \$49,975; Ohio State University, \$290,000; University of Pennsylvania, \$150,000.

DR. SCHOEN IS NAMED DENTAL DEAN FOR LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Dr. William P. Schoen Jr., of Chicago, has been appointed dean of the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, Loyola University. The appointment was announced by the Very Rev. James F. Maguire, university president. Dr. Schoen was graduated from Loyola dental school in 1929, and has been a member of the faculty of the school since 1930. For the past three years he has been professor and chairman of the department of dental materials. He is also editor of the Illinois Dental Journal. Dr. Schoen succeeds Dr. Gustav Rapp, acting dean since last June when Dr. A. Raymond Baralt Jr. resigned as dean to head a new dental school at the University of Puerto Rico.

DR. HARRY LYONS, A.D.A. HEAD, IS HONORED BY ALPHA OMEGA

Dr. Harry Lyons, of Richmond, Va., A.D.A. president, was awarded the achievement medal of the Alpha Omega Fraternity at a banquet attended by more than 1,000 persons at the Statler Hotel, Boston, on Sunday evening, Dec. 30. Dr. Lyons, dean of the School of Dentistry of the Medical College of Virginia, was cited for the leadership he has provided the profession in education, research and as a practitioner. In the past twenty years, the achievement medal has been presented to a number of distinguished dentists, physicians and scientists including Dr. Jonas E. Salk and the late Dr. Albert Einstein. Dr. Lyons is the third A.D.A. president to receive the award. Previous recipients are Dr. LeRoy M. S. Miner, of Boston and Dr. J. Ben Robinson, of Morgantown, W. Va.

RALEIGH, N.C. VOTERS APPROVE FLUORIDATION 4,012 TO 3,241

Water fluoridation has been approved for Raleigh, N.C. by a vote of 4,012 to 3,241 according to unofficial returns in a referendum held Dec. 11. Fluoridation originally was approved for the city by the city council on March 19 and opponents forced the issue to a referendum. Currently there are 22 communities in North Carolina with a population of 566,205 where fluoridation is in operation. The start of the procedure in Raleigh will bring the total population in the state receiving fluoridated water to 631,884.

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS SUBJECT OF NEW REPORT

During the past several years, members of the dental profession have been solicited for membership in the International Association of Anesthesiologists, Inc., 210 E. Lexington St., Baltimore, Md. On several occasions, the News Letter and other A.D.A. publications have pointed out that the I.A.A., Inc., has no official connection whatsoever with the American Dental Association. In view of the fact that dentists in various parts of the nation are still being solicited by this organization, the following report from the November, 1956 issue of the Newsmonthly of the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology may be of particular interest:

The International Association of Anesthesiologists has on a number of occasions circularized the dental profession in an effort to solicit membership. This solicitation has been undertaken with promises of an engraved certificate and entitlement to a Fellowship (F.I.A.A.) upon the acceptance of "certain qualifications." The "awarding" of a degree of this sort, without the backing of any recognized medical or dental institution, constitutes a highly unethical practice.

The International Association of Anesthesiologists has been looked upon with disfavor by the medical and dental professions. Organized medical anesthesiology societies have recommended that their members ignore these letters of solicitation.

It is interesting that the International Journal of Anesthesia, published by the I.A.A. does not list an Editor and specifies two attorneys as Managing Editor and Co-Editor. The last issue, published in June, 1956, contains a number of full length articles which were reprinted from other publications....

CALIFORNIA STATE DENTAL ASSOCIATION PURCHASES HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

The California State Dental Association has purchased a three-story building at 518 Sutter St., in downtown San Francisco for its central office headquarters, it was announced this week by Dr. Browning O. Chartrand, Association president. The building is in the heart of San Francisco's downtown shopping district. The purchase price was \$125,000. Dr. Chartrand said that the Association would spend between \$25,000 and \$40,000 in modernizing the structure with work to be completed in about one year. The Association's central office will be housed on the second floor which contains about 2,400 square feet. The ground floor will be used for commercial purposes and the third floor will be available for professional offices.

SPECIAL TV SPOT ANNOUNCEMENTS AVAILABLE FOR DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

A series of three, 20-second spot announcements carrying dental health messages for children have been revised with a new sound track for use during National Children's Dental Health Week, Feb. 3-9, it was announced by Mr. Perry Sandell, director, Bureau of Dental Health Education. Each "spot" starts with the statement: "a public service message from your dental society." Subjects covered in the series are toothbrushing, food and dental health and early dental care. The revised series may be purchased at a cost of \$15 or \$6 each. Because of the short time remaining before this year's observance of National Children's Dental Health Week, orders should be sent immediately to the Bureau of Dental Health Education, American Dental Association, 222 E. Superior St., Chicago 11, Ill.

PATTERSON COMPANY ANNOUNCES RESEARCH GRANTS TO DENTAL SCHOOLS

Grants of \$600 each have been made by the M. F. Patterson Dental Supply Company to 12 dental schools, it was announced just prior to Christmas by Mr. W. O. Patterson, president of the firm. The grants, totalling \$7,200, may be used for research or graduate work in dentistry. The grants were made on behalf of the firm and its subsidiaries: Hettinger Dental Supply Co., The A. P. Cary Co., the Mississippi Dental Supply Co., and General Refineries, Inc. Dental schools receiving the grants are: Iowa, Loyola (New Orleans), Minnesota, Kansas City, Creighton, Nebraska, Oregon, Meharry, Tennessee, Baylor, Texas and Washington (Seattle).

A.D.A. CENTRAL OFFICE TO HOLD 'OPEN HOUSE' ON FEB. 4-6

All A.D.A. members are invited to attend an "open house" at the new Central Office headquarters building of the Association in Chicago on the afternoons of Feb. 4, 5 and 6. Between 2 and 4:30 p.m. on these dates, special tours of the new building will be conducted by staff members. Work is now nearing completion on the construction of a seven-story addition and a remodeling of the old Central Office building at 222 E. Superior St. Including the purchase of additional grounds, the cost was approximately \$1,500,000. The dates for the "open house" were set in early February for the convenience of the large number of dentists who will attend the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Chicago Dental Society.

1957 ACCEPTED DENTAL REMEDIES TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN MID-JANUARY

A new chapter on treatment of emergencies in the dental office and an expanded section on narcotic analgesics are among the new features in the 1957 Accepted Dental Remedies published by the A.D.A. Council on Dental Therapeutics. The book costs \$2 and will be available in mid-January. The chapter on office emergencies covers such subjects as fainting, respiratory and circulatory exigencies, reactions to local anesthetics and allergic reactions. Monographs have also been added on several of the newer antibiotic preparations. Anesthetics, dentifrices, nutrition, treatment of poisoning, disinfection and sterilization are among other subjects covered in the 1957 edition. The book includes information on all products which have been reviewed by the council. In addition, the general product index has been amplified and simplified to make the book a more useful ready reference. Copies may be obtained from the A.D.A. Order Dept., 222 E. Superior St., Chicago 11.

50TH ANNUAL MIDWINTER MEETING TO BE HELD AT DENVER NEXT WEEK

The 50th annual Midwinter Meeting of the Denver Dental Association will be held Jan. 6-9 in the Shirley-Savoy Hotel in Denver. Featured essayists will include: Dr. Irving R. Hardy, of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, Boston; Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, of Chicago, secretary, American Dental Association; Dr. Maury Massler, of the University of Illinois College of Dentistry, Chicago; Dr. Ralph W. Phillips, of Indiana University School of Dentistry, Indianapolis, and Dr. Alver Selberg, of the College of Physicians and Surgeons School of Dentistry, San Francisco. Dentists from more than a dozen states are expected to participate in the meeting according to Dr. Harold L. Harris, president of the Denver Dental Association.

DR. ISAAC SCHOUR TO BE HONORED AT TESTIMONIAL DINNER FEB. 3

Dr. Isaac Schour, dean of the University of Illinois College of Dentistry, will be honored at a testimonial dinner on Feb. 3 at the Drake Hotel for his many contributions to dentistry, and especially for the establishment of a dental research laboratory at the Dental School of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Alpha Omega fraternity is the sponsor of the dinner, and the State of Illinois Alumni Chapter will be host. The host committee includes Dr. Bernard Gruber and Saul Levy as co-chairmen and Dr. Robert G. Kesel as treasurer. Reservations for the dinner at \$25 are available from Dr. Kesel at Suite 1022, 77 W. Washington St., Chicago 2.

SPECIAL EUROPEAN TOURS PLANNED FOR U.S. DENTISTS

Several special tours to Europe for U.S. dentists are being planned for the late summer of next year in conjunction with the XII International Dental Congress which will be held in Rome, Italy, Sept. 7 to 14. The tours range in length from three to nine weeks. Among those sponsoring these tours are the Carrick Travel Bureau, Oberlin Bank Building, Oberlin, Ohio, and the Howard Tours, Inc., 578 Grand Ave., Oakland 10, Calif. Information on the dates and costs of the special tours are available upon request to either of these agencies, both of which have sponsored many tours for dentists in the past, or from local travel agencies. It is expected that several hundred A.D.A. members will attend the Congress.