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HOUSING BUREAU OPENS FOR CENTENNIAL SESSION OF THE A.D.A.-- FIVE-DAY MEETING TO BE HELD SEPT. 14-18 IN NEW YORK CITY

Opening of the A.D.A. Housing Bureau for the Centennial Session of the Association was announced this week. Early opening of the bureau at the start of the Centennial Year of the Association was arranged to assure that adequate housing accommodations will be provided for what is expected to be one of the great gatherings of the dental profession of all time. The Centennial Session will be held for five days, from Sept. 14 through 18, in New York City. Meeting simultaneously with the A.D.A. will be the Federation Dentaire Internationale with delegates attending from some 50 nations. Attendance at the meeting is expected to range between 20,000 and 25,000 as dentists from all parts of the world joint with U.S. dentists in the observance of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the American Dental Association at Niagara Falls, N. Y., in 1859.

APPLICATION BLANK APPEARS IN 'JOURNAL'

An application for housing accommodations appears on page A-2 of the January issue of The Journal of the American Dental Association.

The application should be sent to the A.D.A. Housing Bureau, P.O. Box 5440, Chicago 7. Twenty-eight major hotels have pledged accommodations for the meeting. Meetings of the House of Delegates will be held in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel and meetings of the F.D.I. will be held in the Manhattan Hotel. The scientific session will be held at the New York Coliseum and will feature panels, symposia, demonstrations and essays by leading dental practitioners, research workers and educators from the United States and many other nations. There will be numerous special events and social events. The general chairman of the local committee on arrangements is Dr. William A. Fennelly, of New York City.

NUMEROUS HEALTH MEASURES EXPECTED TO CONFRONT 86TH CONGRESS

A number of issues of special significance to dentistry is expected to be presented at the 86th Congress opening this week. President Eisenhower's State of the Union message, to be delivered Jan. 9, is expected to comment on health measures sought by the administration while the measures will be spelled out more specifically in the proposed budget to be submitted Jan. 15. Secretary Flemming of Health, Education and Welfare, in an advance statement on the budget for his department, said Dec. 30 that appropriations for the National Institutes of Health, which include the National Institute of Dental Research, are projected for the new fiscal year at the same level as currently. With respect to grant programs for construction of dental and medical research facilities, now amounting to \$ 30 million annually, he said requests for new appropriations would be less.

\$ 2 MILLION INCREASE IN RESEARCH FUNDS PROPOSED

The A.D.A. Council on Legislation, at a meeting Dec. 14 and 15, drafted a blueprint for action in accordance largely with policies laid down by the House of Delegates at the 1958 meeting of the Association in Dallas. The Association will seek an increase of about \$ 2 million for dental health and research programs of

the National Institute of Dental Research over the current budget of \$7,923,000 for a total of nearly \$10 million. Included in this increase would be an additional \$1 million for research programs at dental schools and dental research centers, \$500,000 for dental school training grants, \$300,000 for projects at the Institute of Dental Research and \$200,000 for fellowship programs.

EFFORTS FOR PASSAGE OF KEOGH BILL TO BE RENEWED

dentists and other self-employed persons to establish their own retirement income plans by placing a limited portion of their income annually into tax-deferred restricted retirement funds.

The A.D.A. will also participate with the American Thrift Assembly to seek approval of a version of the Keogh bill which would permit

EXTENSION OF CAREER, INCENTIVE PLAN SOUGHT

plan for dental and medical officers, which is scheduled to expire June 30, and with extension of the special dentist-physician provisions of the Draft Act, also scheduled to expire June 30. Plans also call for the Council on Legislation to work toward the drafting of Army-Air Force legislation, for introduction in the new Congress, to provide an improved pattern for administering and operating the dental corps. The A.D.A. will also be prepared to testify before Congress on any amendments to the Medicare Act which involve a program of dental care.

On legislation affecting dentists in military service, the A.D.A. will be concerned with extension of the so-called career incentive pay

A.D.A. WILL OPPOSE FORAND BILL VERSIONS

beneficiaries of the Old Age and Survivors' Insurance program. The A.D.A. will oppose these programs as being "in conflict with the Association's principles governing federal support of personal health care programs." On the matter of dental education, the Association will again seek a grant program for construction of dental teaching facilities.

Likely to come before the Congress are various versions of the so-called Forand bill which would provide personal health care benefits to

'CENTENNIAL PERSPECTIVES' IS THEME FOR DENTAL EDUCATION CONGRESS

"Some Centennial Perspectives" is the theme of the 15th Congress on Dental Education and Licensure to be held Feb. 7 at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago. The congress is sponsored by the A.D.A. Council on Dental Education. Several hundred dental educators, administrators, members of state examining boards and others interested in dental education will be in attendance at the all-day meeting. The general subject for the morning session will be "New Dimensions in Dental Education" and papers will be presented by Dr. Lester W. Burket, dean of the School of Dentistry, University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Harry Lyons, dean of the School of Dentistry, Medical College of Virginia, and Dr. F. A. Arnold Jr., director of the National Institute of Dental Research. "Dental Licensure, Past, Present and Future" is the subject for the afternoon session with reports to be given by Dr. Byron S. Hollinshead, director of the Survey of Dentistry; Dr. Herbert L. Bunker, past president of the American Association of Dental Examiners, and Dr. Clarence J. Schweikhardt, secretary of the New Jersey Board of Dental Examiners. Moderating the two sessions will be Dr. Willard C. Fleming, chairman of the Council on Dental Education, and Dr. Harvey S. Huxtable, vice-chairman.

DR. C. N. WILLIAMS NAMED TO COUNCIL ON FEDERAL DENTAL SERVICES

Dr. Percy T. Phillips, of New York, A.D.A. president, has appointed Dr. C. N. Williams, of Memphis, as a member of the A.D.A. Council on Federal Dental Services. The appointment was made to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Dr. E. Jeff Justis, of Memphis, upon his election to the Board of Trustees. The appointment is for the ad interim term ending with the 1959 annual session.

DR. CAMALIER BECOMES FULL-TIME DIRECTOR OF WASHINGTON OFFICE

As of Jan. 1, Dr. C. Willard Camalier, assistant secretary of the Association and former president, assumed full-time duties as director of the A.D.A. Washington Office at 806 Connecticut Ave., N.W. The announcement was made by Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, A.D.A. secretary.

A.D.A. MEMBERS URGED TO CONTRIBUTE NOW TO LAGGING RELIEF FUND

Contributions to the A.D.A. Relief Fund have been lagging. As of Dec. 15, the figure was \$73,585.04, less than 74 per cent of its \$100,000 goal. While eight constituent societies and the Public Health Service have reached or exceeded their quotas, the contributions were approximately \$8,000 less than were received in the drive by the same date in 1958. Dr. H. R. Bleier, of Milwaukee, chairman of the A.D.A. Council on Relief, urges that all dentists who have not yet mailed in their contributions do so as soon as possible. He pointed out that the contributions as of Dec. 15 came from 1,000 less contributors than those of a year ago.

BROAD-BASED SUPPORT SOUGHT FOR PROGRAM

Fund," Dr. Bleier said. Noting that half the contributions are returned to the states to build up their own relief funds, Dr. Bleier pointed out that every dollar of every contribution is used entirely for relief purposes. Dr. Bleier urged that contributions be made now so that colleagues who need help can receive adequate aid. "On behalf of those, who through no fault of their own, must depend on the Relief Fund for help," Dr. Bleier said, "may I say I am confident that our members will continue to demonstrate the same generosity that has characterized this worth-while activity for so many years." Following are contributions to the Relief Fund to Dec. 15:

"The broad-based support of the Relief Fund by dentists everywhere has been one of the heart-warming and significant aspects of the Relief

	Quota	Contribution	Per Cent		Quota	Contribution	Per Cent
Alabama	\$ 890.00	\$ 903.00	101.5	North Dakota	\$ 300.00	\$ 445.00	148.3
Alaska	50.00	171.00	342.0	Ohio	4,940.00	3,346.40	67.7
Arizona	370.00	71.00	19.2	Oklahoma	920.00	766.00	83.3
Arkansas	550.00	472.00	85.8	Oregon	1,290.00	957.00	74.2
California	4,080.00	3,247.50	79.6	Panama	20.00	15.00	75.0
California, Southern	4,950.00	3,222.40	65.1	Pennsylvania	6,660.00	4,791.00	71.9
Colorado	1,010.00	888.00	87.9	Puerto Rico	260.00	105.05	40.4
Connecticut	1,940.00	1,699.00	87.6	Rhode Island	530.00	133.00	25.1
Delaware	160.00	160.00	100.0	South Carolina	440.00	295.00	67.0
District of Columbia	720.00	657.00	91.3	South Dakota	290.00	142.00	49.0
Florida	1,570.00	1,345.00	85.7	Tennessee	1,380.00	1,144.10	82.9
Georgia	1,070.00	500.50	46.8	Texas	3,320.00	2,302.00	69.3
Hawaii	400.00	452.00	113.0	Utah	520.00	437.50	84.1
Idaho	290.00	82.00	28.3	Vermont	170.00	100.00	58.8
Illinois	6,700.00	6,338.00	94.6	Virginia	1,270.00	1,067.00	84.0
Indiana	2,180.00	1,826.20	83.8	Washington	1,910.00	1,581.50	82.8
Iowa	1,710.00	1,271.50	74.4	West Virginia	680.00	575.00	84.6
Kansas	960.00	889.15	92.6	Wisconsin	2,780.00	1,861.50	67.0
Kentucky	1,170.00	193.00	16.5	Wyoming	170.00	211.00	124.1
Louisiana	1,040.00	791.50	76.1	Total	\$ 96,410.00	\$ 70,860.53	73.5
Maine	420.00	354.40	84.4	<u>Federal Dental Services</u>			
Maryland	1,190.00	1,138.44	95.7	Air Force	\$ 690.00	\$ 356.50	51.7
Massachusetts	3,550.00	1,870.00	52.7	Army	770.00	409.00	53.1
Michigan	4,330.00	3,431.00	79.2	Navy	1,100.00	655.95	59.6
Minnesota	2,660.00	2,336.00	87.8	Public Health Service	270.00	324.50	120.2
Mississippi	560.00	300.50	53.7	Veterans Administration	760.00	294.50	38.8
Missouri	2,350.00	1,828.00	77.8	Total	\$ 3,590.00	\$ 2,040.45	56.8
Montana	350.00	278.50	79.6	<u>Summary</u>			
Nebraska	940.00	409.50	43.6	Constituent Societies	\$ 96,410.00	\$ 70,860.53	73.5
Nevada	110.00	116.50	105.9	Federal Dental Services	3,590.00	2,040.45	56.8
New Hampshire	310.00	163.00	52.6	Students	-----	646.00	-----
New Jersey	4,000.00	3,654.38	91.4	Miscellaneous	-----	38.06	-----
New Mexico	260.00	297.00	114.2	Total	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 73,585.04	73.6
New York	14,440.00	8,392.51	58.1				
North Carolina	1,280.00	836.00	65.3				

DR. CHARLES HARPER, EDITOR OF NEW JERSEY STATE JOURNAL, DIES

Dr. Charles F. Harper, of Jersey City, editor of the Journal of the New Jersey State Dental Society for 22 years, died Dec. 26. Dr. Harper, who was widely known in the field of dental journalism, had been president of the American Association of Dental Editors in 1944. He began the practice of dentistry in New Jersey in 1906. He was editor of the Hudson County Bulletin from 1933 to 1935 and became editor of the state journal the following year. Dr. Harper was a fellow of the American College of Dentists and a member of the Federation Dentaire Internationale.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S AUXILIARY APPOINTED

A Special Committee of the Board of Trustees on Women's Auxiliary has been appointed by Dr. Percy T. Phillips, of New York, Association president. The committee includes Dr. Edward F. Mimmack, of Buffalo, N. Y., chairman; Dr. Howard B. Higgins, of Spartanburg, S. C., and Dr. Maynard K. Hine, of Indianapolis. Formation of a Women's Auxiliary to the Association was approved by the House of Delegates at the Dallas meeting.

S. S. WHITE PROVIDES CENTENNIAL TEACHING FELLOWSHIP OF \$4,500

As a feature of the Centennial Year of the Association, the S. S. White Dental Manufacturing Co. has provided a fellowship of \$4,500 to be awarded to a dental student for graduate study leading to a teaching career. The grant is to be known as the American Dental Association Centennial Teaching Fellowship Award. It will be administered by the Fund for Dental Education, Inc. The fellowship will be awarded this year to a senior dental student who is a member of the 1959 graduating class and will go into effect for 12 months, beginning next September. Information about the fellowship can be obtained from deans of dental schools. In expressing appreciation to the S. S. White company for the grant, on behalf of the A.D.A., Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, Association secretary, said:

I can assure you that there is a great need for contributions such as this one to aid dental education and particularly, there is need for fellowships which give an opportunity to superior undergraduate dental students to undertake graduate studies in preparation for teaching careers. We hope that through the example of your company, other companies will be encouraged to make similar grants in the interest of dental education and research.

PAMPHLET ON A.D.A. MEMBERSHIP IN FEDERAL DENTAL SERVICES AVAILABLE

A newly-revised booklet on "American Dental Association Membership for Dentists in the Federal Dental Services" has been issued by the A.D.A. Council on Membership and is being sent to 1958 student members who are now in the armed forces. The booklet is also being made available to all dentists in the Army, Navy, Air Force, U. S. Public Health Service and Veterans Administration. Copies can be obtained from the council at 222 E. Superior St., Chicago 11. The chairman of the council is Dr. A. Brooks Drake, of Huntington, W. Va.

SOCIETY OF ORAL SURGEONS APPOINTS FULL-TIME EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Announcement of the appointment of a full-time executive secretary of the American Society of Oral Surgeons has been made by the executive council. Mr. Duke Trexler, who for seven years was on the staff of the University of Mississippi, has been named to the position, effective Jan. 15. The offices will be at the new Chicago office building of the American Hospital Association at 840 N. Lake Shore Dr.

DALLAS MID-WINTER DENTAL CLINIC TO PRESENT EIGHT ESSAYISTS

Scientific reports will be presented by eight dentists at the 32nd annual Dallas Mid-Winter Dental Clinic to be held Jan. 25-28 at the Statler Hilton Hotel in Dallas. Dr. Myers Thornton is general chairman for the meeting which is sponsored by the Dallas County Dental Society. The clinicians will include Dr. Kenneth F. Grove, of Denver; Dr. Bernard Jankelson, of Seattle; Dr. Stanley A. Lovestedt, of Rochester, Minn.; Dr. Maury Massler, of Chicago; Dr. Ralph W. Phillips, of Indianapolis; Dr. Sigurd P. Ramfjord, of Ann Arbor, Mich.; Dr. Robert K. Stinaff, of Akron, Ohio, and Dr. Robert E. Willey, of Los Angeles.

FLUORIDATION RECOMMENDED BY ROYAL BOARD OF SWEDEN

The Royal Medical Board of Sweden has recommended the adoption of the fluoridation procedure in communities in the country. "In the opinion of the board," the report to King Gustaf VI said, "the inquiry carried out has shown that fluoridation of public water supplies does not involve any demonstrable health hazards even on prolonged consumption of the water."