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ADA WILL OPERATE ANNUAL SESSION TV (See page 3)

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CONGRESS ALLOCATES MORE THAN \$24 MILLION IN DENTAL FUNDS FOR FISCAL 1963

Congress has allocated \$24,205,000 for two federal dental units for fiscal 1963, an increase of about 20 per cent over fiscal 1962. The National Institute of Dental Research will receive almost four million dollars more and the Division of Dental Public Health and Resources an increase of \$500,000 in the 1963 fiscal year.

These increases are contained in the appropriations bill (H.R. 10904) passed by the House on Aug. 1 and the Senate on Aug. 2. Under the bill, NIDR will receive \$21,199,000 and the Division \$3,006,000 in 1963. Originally, the NIDR allocation granted by the Senate Appropriations Committee called for \$22,199,000. However, the Conference Committee of the House and Senate, compromised on the final figure.

The Senate Committee's proposed \$500,000 hike for the Division was not changed by the Conference Committee. It is expected that this increase in funds will enable the Division's new training center in San Francisco to be utilized entirely for dental public health programs.

The House and Senate also agreed to increase the amount granted for overhead cost for each research grant from 15 per cent to 20 per cent of the project grant or training grants. The appropriations bill is now on the President's desk awaiting signature.

Oral Surgery Society Moves Office

The central office of the American Society of Oral Surgeons will be moved Aug. 15 to the Palmolive Building, 919 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 602 in Chicago. The new telephone number is 642-6446.

Property for New Building Purchased

ADA announced Aug. 9 the purchase of the property at 169-211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, from the American National Red Cross. The property had been occupied by the Chicago Chapter of the Red Cross. Secretary Harold Hillenbrand said that the ADA will develop plans to use the site for an office building to house its headquarters. Plans and dates for construction are not yet definite. Purchase price of the property was \$700,000.

Appeals Court Helps Fluoridation

The Second District Court of Appeals in Florida has over-turned a lower court ruling that the city of Fort Pierce lacked the authority to fluoridate its water supply. The higher court, in registering the reversal, noted "the cases from other jurisdictions which have passed on the question of fluoridation have rather uniformly held that a city may lawfully fluoridate its water supply." The case now returns to the lower court for consideration of other questions that are at issue.

Dentist Heads D.C. Cancer Society

Dr. Harold W. Krogh, chief of oral surgery at Washington hospital center, has been elected president of the American Cancer Society's District of Columbia division. He will assume office Sept. 1.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ACTION CLEARS WAY FOR LABORATORY ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Justice has removed the last legal obstacle to the establishment of the proposed National Dental Laboratory Accreditation Program of the ADA. In a letter to a representative of the Council on Dental Trade and Laboratory Relations, the Department cleared the program of any violation of the antitrust laws.

Purpose of the proposed Joint Commission in conducting a voluntary upgrading program for accrediting dental laboratories is to assist the dental profession in its continuing efforts to improve the quality and efficiency of dental services to the public, according to Dr. J. Eugene Ziegler, Council chair-Under the proposed Bylaws, seven organizations will be invited by the ADA to participate in the program. They are: The National Association of Dental Laboratories, American Association of Dental Schools, American Association of Dental Examiners, Academy of Denture Prosthetics, American Prosthodontic Society, American Association of Orthodontists and the American Board of Prosthodontics.

The full text of the Justice Department letter, signed by Lee Loevinger, Assistant Attorney General in the Antitrust Division, follows: "This responds to your July 2 letter submitting proposed bylaws for a proposed joint commission for the accreditation of dental laboratories and proposed standards for such accredi-If a program is undertaken in accordance with the procedures outlined in the documents attached to your July 2, 1962 letter en-(a) Bylaws of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Dental Laboratories (of which the last page bears the date notation 6/27/62): and (b) Proposed Standards For Accreditation of Dental Laboratories (of which the last page bears the date of notation 7/2/62), the Department of Justice does not propose to initiate any criminal proceeding by reason thereof, for violation of the antitrust laws. Of course, if it should subsequently appear to be necessary to enjoin activities carried out under such proposed program, the Department will be obliged to initiate civil antitrust proceedings."

Look Discusses Mouth Guard Program

The August 28 issue of Look magazine tells of the efforts of the ADA, along with other health organizations, to eliminate football injuries. The ADA mouth guard program is given special attention. The article is entitled "Football Is Violence," and the issue reached the newsstands on Aug. 14. Look's current circulation exceeds seven million.

Session Dental Lab Program Set

Dental laboratory technicians will participate in a one-day program Wednesday, Oct. 31, in Miami Beach as part of 103rd annual ADA session. The program, sponsored by the Council on Dental Trade and Laboratory Relations, will be held in the Medallion Room of the Carrillon Hotel and will include both lectures and clinics.

Fluoridation Lauded by Albert Sabin

Dr. Albert B. Sabin, developer of the oral polio vaccine, has joined



other prominent Americans who have
expressed support
of fluoridation.
His statement is
as follows: "In
some parts of the
United States, people have been drinking water, which

naturally contains one to two parts of fluoride per million, all their lives without any harmful effect, but with definite evidence of decreased prevalence of dental caries. The artificial fluoridation of water supplies merely imitates what nature has been doing for a long time, and hundreds of communities throughout the world, inhabited by millions of people, using this procedure have found it both safe and effective in significantly reducing the number of dental cavities. strongly in favor of water fluoridation as a highly beneficial and safe public health procedure."

DR. KENNETH E. WESSELS APPOINTED SECRETARY OF COUNCIL ON DENTAL EDUCATION

Dr. Kenneth E. Wessels has been appointed secretary of the ADA Council on Dental Education, it was announced Aug. 10 by Secretary Harold Hillenbrand. Dr. Wessels joined the Association staff in 1960 as assistant secretary of the Council.

A native of Iowa, Dr. Wessels a ttended the University of Iowa where he received a B.S., D.D.S. and

M.S. degree and from 1946 to 1960 served as a member of the University's faculty. In 1957, he assumed the chair of Fulbright Professor at the University of Sydney, Australia.



His former positions are professor and head of department of preventive dentistry and pedodontics, University of Iowa dental school; clinical professor, department of pediatrics, University of Iowa medical school; professor of the Graduate College of the University; director of the Children's Dental Clinics of the University; chief, dental section, Iowa Hospital School for Severely Handicapped Children; member, Hospital Dental Service, University Hospitals; consultant, Veteran's Administration Hospital, Iowa City; and special consultant, U.S. Public Health Service.

His memberships in professional organizations include International Association for Dental Research, Society of Sigma Xi, American Society of Dentistry for Children. International College of Dentists, University Council on Children and Youth and Omicron Kappa Upsilon. Dr. Wessels is the author of some 20 scientific articles and contributor to several textbooks. He is married and the father of three children.

Tuft Graduates Donate \$103,000

Members of the 1962 graduating class of Tufts University dental school presented a check for \$103,950 to their alma mater. The sum equals a class pledge of \$1,050 per man.

Wyeth to Sponsor Session Television

The ADA will operate its own television channel during the five days of the 103rd annual session in Miami Beach, Oct. 28-Nov. 1. Wyeth laboratories will sponsor the programs and will underwrite the entire cost of the TV operation. The ADA channel will be one of the unused channels in the Miami area. Programs will be televised directly into the TV antennas of selected convention hotels; viewers will be able to watch the programs only on the TV sets inside these hotels. Both live and taped programs will be shown and subjects will include scientific topics, news of the session, interviews with ADA officials and with international guests, scientific films, etc. The programming hours have not yet been set, but it is expected that they will be early morning, noon and late evening so as not to conflict with other events. Arrangements are also being made to have news summaries in Spanish for the benefits of the hundreds of Latin American visitors who are expected to attend.

Dr. Burrows Joins Research Council

Dr. Leslie Burrows has been appointed assistant secretary of the ADA Council on Dental Research, Secretary Harold Hillenbrand has announced. Dr. Burrows, a native of LaJunta, Col., received his B.A. degree from the University of Colorado in 1953 and his D.D.S. from the University of Kansas City School of Dentistry in 1957. Since 1957 he has been a U.S. Public Health Training Grant Trainee in Anatomy and Dental Research at the University of Rochester, N.Y. As a graduate student, he has investigated protein components of enamel matrix. Dr. Burrows has lectured on anatomy and physiology at the Eastman School of Dental Hygiene in Rochester, N.Y. In 1960 he was awarded a certificate of merit by the American Academy of Dental Medicine.

Captain Kyes Promoted to Admiral

Capt. Frank M. Kyes, senior dental officer in the Midwest, has been selected for promotion to the rank of rear admiral. He is presently the director of Dental Activities for the Ninth Naval District at the Great Lakes Naval Installation. The future flag officer is a diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the American College of Dentists.

Texas Modifies Licensure Policy

The Texas State Board of Dental Examiners, at its discretion in each instance, has adopted a policy permitting qualified applicants who have been licensed and engaged in the practice of dentistry in another jurisdiction of the U.S. for not less than ten years to apply for dental examination and be required to take and pass only the practical portion of the examination. Detailed information can be obtained from Dr. R. T. Weber, secretary-treasurer of the board, 310 Capital National Bank Building, Austin 1, Tex.



The Navy Dental Corps marks its 50th anniversary in August, with commerative ceremonies to be held Aug. 22 in Washington, D.C. In honor of the event, decals and label tabs bearing the anniversary emblem shown above have been issued.

Support Urged for Education Bill

The ADA has launched an effort to win greater public support for pending legislation (HR 4999) that would provide grants for the construction of new dental and medical schools and expansion of existing The bill has been approved by the House Commerce Committee but is presently being held up by the House Rules Committee. It is generally agreed that if the bill can get to the floor of the House, it will be passed and the Senate would follow The President is already on record as favoring the bill. bill is also supported by the American Association of Medical Colleges and other leading health organizations.

A mailing of materials explaining the bill has been sent by the ADA Bureau of Public Information to 500 newspapers across the nation. editorial writers for these newspapers are being asked to call their reader's attention to the bill and point out the critical national need it will President John R. Abel has meet. sent personal letters to more than 60 syndicated political columnists and radio and television commentators urging similar action by them. ADA Council on Legislation urged ADA members to write their Congressmen.

Over 70 Attend Oral Surgery Meeting

Some 762 delegates and associate members representing 40 countries attended the First International Conference on Oral Surgery held in London in early July at the Royal College of Surgeons of England. Dr. Fred A. Henny, former president of ASOS and editor of the ADA Journal of Oral Surgery, Anesthesia and Hospital Dental Service, was made a Fellow of the Royal College. Sir Arthur Porritt, president of the Royal College, presided at the opening ceremonies. An extensive scientific program included visits to the oral surgery departments of various hospitals in A conference banquet at Guildhall was attended by the Lord Mayor of London, the Minister of Health and the American ambassador to the Court of St. James.

OVER 11,700 AT 13TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL DENTAL CONGRESS IN COLOGNE

Over 11,700 persons attended the thirteenth International Dental Congress held July 7-14 in Cologne, Germany. Of this total, some 1,500 were Americans. The Congress was held in conjunction with the fiftieth annual session of the Federation Dentaire Internationale.

Principal speaker at the opening session of the Congress was Dr. Heinrich Luebke, president of the West During German Federal Republic. opening ceremonies, three international prizes were presented. The International Miller Prize was awarded posthumously to Dr. H. Trendley Dean for his fluoridation workf His widow accepted the award. The Albert Joachim prize was presented to Dr. Paul H. Keyes and Dr. Robert Fitzgerald, both of the National Institute of Dental Research, for their work on the transmissibility of caries in laboratory Prof. F. Ackermann of animals. Switzerland received the George Villain prize for research in orthodontics.

The German Federal Minister for Health, Dr. Elisabeth Schwarzhaupt, opened the international dental exhibition at which 418 exhibitors from 19 countries displayed their products. The Association of German Dental Industries reported that 51,000 visitors had viewed these exhibits.

The General Assembly of FDI addressed itself to a number of topics, paramount among them being the question of ascertaining and providing for manpower needs in the profession and questions concerning the European Common Market and its effect on dental practice. During the Congress, the Federal Association of German Dentists conferred honorary membership on nine dentists, two from the United States, Dr. Obed H. Moen, of Watertown, Wis., and Secretary Harold Hillenbrand.

The FDI General Assembly reelected the following officers: President, J. Deliberos, France; vice-presidents, L. M. Ennis, U.S.A., K. Gard, Norway, P. O. Pedersen, Denmark, W. Stewart Ross, U.K., legal representative, C. Gysel, Belgium; councillor, R. Braun; speaker of the assembly, H. Freihofer, Switzerland. E. Muller of Germany was named president-elect.

Many of the scientific papers See FDI, P. 6

Dental Drug Committee Formed

Three ADA-associated scientists have been named to constitute an advisory panel on dental drugs to assist the National Formulary revision program. The National Formulary is a compendium on drugs, published by the American Pharmaceutical Association and recognized as an official standard under the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. The Advisory Panel will be composed of Dr. Frank J. Orland, chairman of the ADA Council on Dental Therapeutics; Dr. J. Roy Doty, ADA assistant secretary for research and therapeutics, and Dr. John J. Hefferen, director of the ADA Division of Chemistry.

Hospital Costs Up Sharply in 1961

The cost of operating the nation's hospitals increased by nearly \$1 billion dollars in 1961, according to the American Hospital Association. The cost was \$9,387,242,000 in 1961 compared with \$8,420,986,000 the year before. Almost two-thirds of the costs in both years went for payroll; \$6.2 billion in 1961 and \$5.6 billion in 1960. Hospitals also cared for a record number of patients - 25,474,370 - an increase of about half million over 1960.

Illinois Forms Political Group

A group of Illinois dentists has formed an organization to encourage their colleagues to participate in political activities. Founders of the organization have stated they will conduct their program within the policy of the ADA. The new organization is named the Legislative Interest Committee of Illinois Dentists (LICID). Officers are: Dr. Lawrence K. Minshall, president; Dr. Samuel R. Kleiman, first vice-president; Dr. James J. Donelan, second vice-president; Dr. Robert J. Pollock, secretary, and Dr. Andrew H. Jordan, treasurer.

Air Force Ups Dental Commissions

The Air Force has ordered that all dentists and physicians entering active duty be given captain's commissions. According to Dr. David W. Matteson, chairman of the ADA Council on Federal Dental Services, the order specified that captain's rank will in all cases date from the individual's graduation from dental or medical school. Dr. Matteson said, according to Major General Oliver K. Niess, Air Force Surgeon General, that the purpose of the new policy is "to improve the Air Force position in procuring medical and dental personnel by reducing the amount of professional experience required for temporary appointment of such personnel to the grade of captain."

Previously, dental officers were not eligible for promotion to captain's rank in the Air Force until one year after graduation, Dr. Matteson said. In the Navy, young dentists enter with rank of lieutenant (junior grade) and after a few months are promoted to lieutenant (senior grade), he stated. Dental school graduates enter the Army Dental Corps as lieutenants and are elevated to captain after one year of service. Dr. Matteson explained the action of the Air Force, however, is expected to precipitate the issuance of comparable authority for dentists entering the Army Dental Corps.

Prepaid Dental Plan Conference Set

The first national conference on management of prepaid dental care programs has been announced for Sept. 24-26 in Seattle, Wash. Sponsored by the Washington Dental Service, invitations are being issued to representatives of commercial insurance companies, dental service corporations, closed panel clinics and professional groups interested in prepaid dental insurance plans. Harold M. Kramer, member of the ADA Council on Dental Health, and Dr. Carl Sebelius, council secretary, will participate in the meeting. Additional information and invitations can be obtained from Dr. Cal C. Christensen, 416 Grosvenor House, Seattle 1, Wash.

City's Right to Fluoridate Confirmed

Fluoridation in Kansas City achieved another victory when Judge Richard H. Koeningsdorf of the circuit court ruled on July 26 that the city's fluoridation ordinance was not subject to referendum. He denied a writ of mandamus, which opponents of fluoridation had sought, to compel the city clerk to certify their petitions calling for a referendum. legal basis for the judge's ruling was that the fluoridation ordinance adopted by the City Council March 9, is administrative and not legislative. and that administrative ordinances are not subject to referendums. court concludes," Judge Koeningsdorf wrote in the decision, "that fluoridation constitutes treatment of water by the way of an additive in the interest of the public health, similarly as other additives are so introduced into the water supply and is an administrative ordinance."

LA Hospital Begins Emergency Service

The dental staff at Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital-Olmsted Memorial, Los Angeles, has established an emergency dental service. A volunteer staff member remains in the hospital from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. during the week and from noon to 7 a.m. on holidays and weekends. The volunteer accepts no compensation for his services but the patient is charged by the hospital for drugs and supplies.

Lions International Elects Dentist

Dr. Walter H. Campbell of Miami Beach, Fla., was elected third vicepresident of Lions International at the group's annual convention in July in Nice, France.

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which were presented during the congress will be published during the coming year in the International Dental Journal. All of this material will be made available automatically to supporting members of the Federation Dentaire International. Further information may be obtained from Dr. Obed H. Moen, 6 Main St., Watertown, Wis., who is the U.S.A. national treasurer.