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FLUORIDATION CLOSES HARTFORD CLINIC (See Page 3)

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NIDR DENTAL RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS CITED AT 15TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Dr. Leland C. Hendershot, ADA editor, lauded the National Institute of Dental Research for its contribution towards eliminating oral health problems at a celebration marking the 15th anniversary of NIDR this week. He said that "dental research has made tremendous strides within the past 15 years due largely to NIDR efforts. Additional research is still necessary if Americans are to win their battle over dental disease." Other speakers included Dr. Seymour J. Kreshover, NIDR associate director in charge of research, Dr. Joseph F. Volker, vice-president for health affairs of the University of Alabama, and a member of the National Advisory Dental Research Council, Dr. Francis A. Arnold, Jr., NIDR director, Dr. Luther L. Terry, surgeon general of the U.S. Public Health Service, and Dr. James A. Shannon, director of the National Institutes of Health.

ADA Membership Sets New Record

Membership in the American Dental Association set a new record with 99,116 as of May 31, 1963 as compared to 97,594 at the same time last year. The breakdown is as follows: 86,024 active and life members; 228 affiliate members; 30 associate members; 56 honorary members, and 12,778 student members.

Bates College Honors Dr. Easton

Dr. Arthur W. Easton, third vice-president of the American Dental Association has received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from Bates College in Lewiston, Me. He is a past president of the Maine Dental Association and the New England Dental Association, and a former ADA trustee.



ADA president and dean of the Temple University School of Dentistry Dr. Gerald D. Timmons, left, receives the Jarvie-Burkhart Award of the Dental Society of the State of New York from Dr. Walter E. Taylor, society president. Presentation was made at the society's 95th annual meeting last month.

FDI Visitors Need Smallpox Certificate

Persons attending the 51st annual session of the Federation Dentaire Internationale have been advised by Dr. Gerald Leatherman of London, FDI secretary general, to carry a valid international certificate of vaccination against smallpox.

Gander Starts Fluoridation

The town of Gander recently became the first community in Newfoundland to add fluorides to its water system.

New York City Dental Plan Slated

New York Dental Service Corporation and the New York Blue Cross will soon launch a dental service plan in New York City and 12 near-by counties. The dental service corporation will design the contracts and handle the payment of claims while Blue Cross will act as agent both for sales and the collection of accounts. The corporation will also maintain a sales force, according to Melvin L. Dollar, executive director. More than 10,000 of the 12,000 practicing dentists in the state have signed contracts to participate, he said. The plan will provide coverage for comprehensive dental services to groups with 25 or more members, provided that a minimum of 75 per cent of the members enroll. Benefits will be made available in three segments - a basic and two optional plans. They will range in cost from \$1.84 a month for an adult and \$1.34 for a child, for the most limited plan to \$4.73 for an adult and \$3.37 for a child for comprehensive coverage.

Bootleg Dentistry Film Available

Alex Dreier, nationally known news commentator, narrates a 28-minute, sound and color film entitled "A Report on Bootleg Dentistry." Produced by the ADA, and the Editorial Council of The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry, the motion picture compares the qualifications a dentist has acquired through education and experience against those of the untrained, unqualified practitioner of bootleg dentistry. The film can be obtained without charge from the ADA Bureau of Audiovisual Service, at the Central Office.

Cite Lack Of Dental Programs

A census of local dental health programs by the Division of Dental Public Health and Resources of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, revealed that of 1,591 local health units throughout the nation, only 178 had dental public health programs staffed by at least one full-time dentist or dental hygienist. About 125 million people in 15 states had almost no local dental public health services.

Senate May Act On H.R. 12 Next Week

Senate hearings on H.R. 12, the dental and medical school aid bill, may be held next week (June 17-21). The ADA's testimony will be presented by President-elect James P. Hollers. The bill was passed by an overwhelming majority in the House of Representatives on April 24. The Administration-backed measure will provide \$35 million for a three-year period for construction of new teaching facilities for training of dentists, and \$105 million for construction of new teaching facilities for training of physicians, pharmacists, optometrists, podiatrists, nurses and other health personnel. The bill would also authorize \$35 million for three years for the rehabilitation and replacement of obsolescent teaching facilities in dentistry, medicine and other health professions.

Alberta Okays Medicare Plan

The second medicare plan in Canada will go into effect in Alberta Oct. 1 with the government subsidizing premiums for 20 to 25 per cent of the population after a means test. Dr. J. Donovan Ross, minister of health in the provincial Social Credit government, said the program will subsidize about 300,000 of Alberta's 1,390,000 residents at an annual cost of between four and six million dollars. The subsidy will be paid directly to the insuring agency. Important features of the health care program are in sharp contrast to those of the medicare plan in adjoining Saskatchewan. While enrollment in Alberta will be optional and the government will rely on existing insuring agencies, the Saskatchewan plan is universal and compulsory and is operated by the government through a Medical Service Commission.

Medical Anesthesiology Bill Okayed

Gov. J. Millard Tawes signed a bill permitting Maryland dentists to practice medical anesthesiology "except as a specialty." More recently, the Governor signed a second bill "grandfathering-in" dentists engaged in full-time medical anesthesiology.

This supplement lists contributions to the 1962-63 ADA RELIEF FUND from constituent societies and federal dental services through May 31. Societies which have reached or exceeded their quotas are listed in capital letters. In addition, an asterisk preceding the name of a society or service indicates that every member of that society has made a contribution in the Relief Fund Campaign.

	<u>Quota</u>	<u>Contri- bution</u>	<u>Pct.</u>		<u>Quota</u>	<u>Contri- bution</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
ALABAMA	\$1,160.00	\$1,195.00	103.0	PENNSYLVANIA	\$ 7,880.00	\$ 7,964.50	101.1
ALASKA	70.00	108.00	154.3	Puerto Rico	270.00	251.00	93.0
*ARIZONA	610.00	1,063.00	174.3	RHODE ISLAND	620.00	1,074.00	173.2
ARKANSAS	700.00	700.00	100.0	S. Carolina	610.00	432.00	70.8
CALIFORNIA	5,410.00	5,677.00	104.9	SOUTH DAKOTA	330.00	336.00	101.8
Calif. So.	6,530.00	6,010.00	92.0	TENNESSEE	1,710.00	4,999.75	292.4
COLORADO	1,400.00	1,441.50	103.0	Texas	4,420.00	4,101.50	92.8
CONNECTICUT	2,420.00	2,590.00	107.0	Utah	720.00	539.00	74.9
DELAWARE	220.00	353.00	160.5	VERMONT	220.00	285.00	129.5
DIST. OF C.	780.00	836.50	107.2	Virginia	1,730.00	1,692.00	97.8
Florida	2,440.00	2,391.00	98.0	Washington	2,440.00	2,070.50	84.9
GEORGIA	1,450.00	1,627.00	112.2	West Virginia	810.00	735.00	90.7
HAWAII	550.00	903.00	164.2	Wisconsin	3,250.00	2,550.00	78.5
IDAHO	360.00	370.00	102.8	WYOMING	210.00	269.00	128.1
ILLINOIS	7,690.00	8,530.80	110.9				
Indiana	2,610.00	2,242.50	85.9	TOTAL	\$119,600.00	\$124,673.19	104.2
Iowa	1,980.00	1,865.50	94.2				
Kansas	1,180.00	1,118.12	94.8	Fed. Dental Services			
KENTUCKY	1,430.00	2,131.10	149.0	Air Force	\$ 1,330.00	\$ 891.50	67.0
Louisiana	1,330.00	1,277.00	96.0	Army	1,340.00	699.50	52.2
MAINE	490.00	745.50	152.1	Navy	1,560.00	998.60	64.0
MARYLAND	1,530.00	1,859.00	121.5	P.H. Serv.	410.00	338.00	82.4
MASSACHUSETTS	4,300.00	6,350.00	147.7	Vet. Admin.	760.00	457.00	60.1
MICHIGAN	5,250.00	5,863.00	111.7				
Minnesota	3,150.00	3,105.50	98.6	TOTAL	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 3,384.60	62.7
Mississippi	690.00	598.00	86.7				
Missouri	2,730.00	2,520.50	92.3				
MONTANA	450.00	482.50	107.2				
NEBRASKA	1,100.00	1,298.00	118.0				
NEVADA	180.00	214.50	119.2				
New Hampshire	370.00	264.00	71.4	Summary			
NEW JERSEY	5,040.00	5,823.50	115.5	Constit.	\$119,600.00	\$124,673.19	104.2
New Mexico	370.00	332.00	89.7	Societies			
New York	17,340.00	15,364.68	88.6	Fed. Dntl.	5,400.00	3,384.60	62.7
N. CAROLINA	1,760.00	2,019.00	114.7	Services			
*NORTH DAKOTA	360.00	511.50	142.1	Students		1,038.50	
Ohio	6,090.00	4,975.24	81.7	Memorials		30.00	
OKLAHOMA	1,170.00	1,170.00	100.0	Miscellaneous		89.53	
Oregon	1,660.00	1,417.50	85.4				
PANAMA	30.00	30.00	100.0	TOTAL	\$125,000.00	\$129,215.82	103.4

FLUORIDATION OFFERS DRAMATIC PROOF: HARTFORD CLOSES DENTAL CLINIC

A striking example of fluoridation's effectiveness has been set in Hartford, Conn., where the city has closed one of its pre-school dental clinics due to a significant decrease in the children's tooth decay rate. Dr. Leonard F. Menczer, director of dental services for Hartford, said the first real effects of fluoridation, which was placed in operation in January 1960, are now being felt. The clinic's waiting list, which contained regularly 300-400 pre-school children, started dropping off last year and now is completely exhausted, he said. Now the remaining one preventive clinic and one treatment clinic will be able to handle the decreased patient load and the clinics' staff has been cut by one full-time dental hygienist and one part-time dentist. Dr. Menczer said the total cost of operating the now abandoned clinic was between \$5,000 and \$6,000 a year.

In other fluoridation developments:

-- The Belair Subdivision of the City of Bowie, Md., voted 1,484 to 272 for fluoridation thus ending a vigorous campaign which began last March.

-- Four Illinois cities added fluorides to their water systems. They are, Wheeling (population 7,169); Pittsfield, (4,088), McHenry (3,336), and Potomac (661). This brings the number of Illinois communities having fluoridation to 147 with a total population of more than 5 million.

-- The Branch of Dental Health of the Georgia Department of Public Health has published a booklet entitled "Waynesboro - A Fluoridation Blueprint" which describes the successful community effort of that city.

-- The measure lost by 23 votes in Belmont, Calif. and was also defeated in Cumberland, Md.

-- During 1962 about 100 communities throughout the nation added fluoridation to their public water supplies, according to the United States Public Health Service.

Dr. Washburn Named to National Unit

Dr. Donald Washburn, director of the ADA Bureau of Library and Indexing Service, has been appointed to the national advisory committee for "A Study of Scientist-to-Scientist Communication in the Biomedical Field" planned by the division of medical sciences of the National Academy of Sciences - National Research Council. The advisory committee will coordinate the study designed to improve communications within the biomedical sciences. Conclusions and final recommendations are expected in Oct., 1963.

Argentine Dental Meeting Sept. 22-25

American dentists have been invited to attend the 14th International Meeting of the Argentine Dental Association Sept. 22-25, 1963, in Buenos Aires. Among topics will be dental health, dental education and consideration of socio-economic problems. Information on the meeting may be obtained by writing to Dr. Juan Antonio Pezza, secretary, XIV, Jornadas Internacionales AOA, Asociacion Odontologica Argentina, 959 Junin, Buenos Aires.

ADA Exhibit At Library Congress

An ADA exhibit will be displayed during the Second International Congress on Medical Librarianship in Washington, D.C., June 16-22. The exhibit illustrates the ADA's work in the areas of scientific research, dental care, dental education, public information and education, public protection, and social and economic research.

Dental Examination Dates Announced

A list of state board of dental examiners and dates and places of examinations are available from the Division of Educational Measurements, Council on Dental Education, ADA Central Office.

Four ADA Staff Changes Announced

Four ADA staff changes have been announced by Sec. Harold Hillenbrand.

John P. Noone has been appointed comptroller and house counsel with the status of an ADA assistant secretary. He will be responsible for the overall coordination and direction of internal legal matters, business and financial affairs and central services of the Association. Mr. Noone will temporarily continue to serve as secretary of the ADA Councils on Dental Trade and Laboratory Relations and Constitution and Bylaws. Before joining the ADA staff, he served as general attorney for Beatrice Foods Company of Chicago and as associate attorney with the Chicago law firm of Heineke and Conklin. A native Chicagoan, Mr. Noone received his law degree in 1950 from Loyola Law School and was admitted to the Illinois bar in the same year.

Hal M. Christensen has been appointed director of the ADA Washington office as of July 1, succeeding Dr. C. Willard Camalier, who is retiring June 30. Mr. Christensen joined the Association staff in 1957 as assistant secretary of the Council on Legislation and the Judicial Council. In 1960 he was appointed secretary of the Council on Legislation and in January 1961 he was appointed ADA Washington counsel. He was for three years associate counsel to the subcommittee on legal and monetary affairs of the Committee on Government Operations, U.S. House of Representatives. He has been admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court and the courts of Illinois, Utah and the District of Columbia.

Harvey Sarner has been appointed secretary of the ADA Judicial Council and assistant secretary of the Council on Dental Trade and Laboratory Relations. He previously served as assistant secretary of the Judicial Council and the Council on Legislation. He is the author of a new book entitled "Dental Jurisprudence" and is also a lecturer in jurisprudence at Indiana University School of Dentistry. Prior to joining the ADA staff in 1961, he served on the staff of the office of the general counsel

of the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C.

Robert W. Newport has been appointed coordinator of the Association's new building program. He previously served as ADA assistant business manager. Construction of the new Central Office building is expected to begin before the end of this year.

U.S. Health Corps Proposed

A United States Health Corps patterned after the Peace Corps but not necessarily as a government operation, has been suggested by Sen. Daniel K. Inouye (D.-Hawaii), who said he would introduce such legislation shortly. Purpose of the corps would be to send physicians, dentists and other health personnel to foreign countries to assist them with health projects.

Dr. Chaves Named WHO Dental Officer

Dr. Mario M. Chaves, of Washington, D.C., regional advisor in dental health of the Pan American Health Organization of the World Health Organization, Regional Office for the Americas) has been named dental officer to the WHO in Geneva, Switzerland. Dr. Chaves who will succeed Dr. Bruce Rice of New Zealand, will assume his new post in September.

Fluoridation Speech Available

A general 20-minute fluoridation speech is now available from the ADA Bureau of Public Information, at the Central Office. The speech gives information on fluoridation's development, its progressive acceptance, its proven benefits and on arguments presented by opponents.

Dr. Hine On Dental Research Council

Dr. Maynard K. Hine, dean of the Indiana University School of Dentistry, has been appointed to the National Advisory Dental Research Council. The Council passes on all research grant applications and dental programs.