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- BULLETIN -Senate hearings on H.R. 12, the dental and medical school aid bill, are scheduled to begin Thursday, August 22, 1963. Dr. James P. Hollers ADA presidentelect, and Dr. Harry Lyons, AADS president, will present testimony.

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## SOCIAL EVENTS ARE ANNOUNCED FOR 104th ANNUAL SESSION IN ATLANTIC CITY

A wide array of social events ranging from a tour and luncheon at historic Smithville Inn to a top musical production will await participants in the 104th ADA annual session scheduled for Oct. 14-17 in Atlantic City, N.J. Some 18,000 persons from all parts of the United States and from abroad are expected to attend. High-

abroad are expected to attend. Highlight of the social activities will be a testimonial dinner honoring President and Mrs. Gerald D. Timmons Wednesday, Oct. 16, in the Carolina Room of the Chalfonte Hotel. Entertainment and dancing will follow the banquet, for which tickets are \$15 a person. Prior to the dinner a nohost cocktail reception will be held in the Lounge Area at 6:30 p.m. A luncheon and tour at Smithville Inn has been planned for all dentists' wives Monday, Oct. 14 at 12:30 p.m. Smithville Inn is a famous landmark on the South Jersey shore featuring an exhibit of historical articles. Price of the tour will be \$4 and reservations are requested.

A ladies luncheon and fashion show will be held Tuesday, Oct. 15, at 12 noon in the Carolina Room of

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### National CD Conference Slated Oct. 12

The Fifth National Dental Civil Defense Conference will be held in Atlantic City Saturday, Oct. 12, two days prior to the opening of the 104th ADA annual session. The meeting, which will be sponsored by the ADA Council on Federal Dental Services, will be held in the Music Room of the Chalfonte Hotel. All ADA members and registered guests are invited to attend, according.to Dr. David W. Matteson, Oklahoma City, Council chairman.

### **Patient Admission Rules Clarified**

The American Hospital Association has clarified recently amended requirements for hospital registra-The AHA pointed out that tion. under the changes "the dentist is privileged to admit patients to the hospital. The patient must have a physical examination by a physician on the staff of the hospital before dental treatment or oral surgery. If the hospital has a house staff, which means interns and residents, the physical survey may be made by an intern or resident. If the intern or resident is licensed in the state to practice medicine, his signature is sufficient. If the intern or resident is not licensed in the state, then the physical survey must be countersigned by an attending staff physician."

## **Dental Society Opposes Teen Smoking**

The Nassau County (New York) Dental Society has passed a resolution opposing the use of cigarettes and chewing tobacco by teenagers, according to Dr. Lewis H. Spiegel, society president, and Dr. Gilbert Sherman, vice-president and dental representative of the American Cancer Society, Nassau Division. The Nassau County Dental Society is the first dental society in the United States known to officially record its position.



Rep. Thomas B. Curtis, left, (R. Mo.), Pres. Gerald D. Timmons, and Theron Rice, manager of the Legislative Department of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Regional Legislative Conference on Health Care and the Aged Held July 28 in Cherry Hill Inn, Cherry Hill, N.J.

### **Four Dental Schools Re-Accredited**

The re-accreditation of four dental schools and one dental hygienist program, and initial accreditation of three hygienist programs and seven dental assistant programs have been announced by the Council on Dental Education of the American Dental Association. Two dental hygienist programs were given a provisional approval sta-Dental schools having been retus. accredited include: Emory University, Atlanta; Tufts University, Boston; The Creighton University, Omaha, and the University of Pittsburgh. Accredited dental hygienist programs include those offered at: Idaho State University, Pocatello; University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, and Westbrook Junior College, Portland, Me. The dental hygienist program at Columbia University, New York City, was reaccredited. Provisional approval was given dental hygienist programs at the University of Hawaii, Honolulu, and Southern Illinois University, Carbon-Accredited dental assistant dale. programs include those offered at: Kapiolani Technical School, Honolulu; Bloom Community College, Chicago Heights, Ill.; University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, Essex County Adult Technical School, Newark, N.J.; University of Puerto Rico, San Juan; Chaffey College, Alta Loma, Calif., and Foothill College, Los Altos, Calif.

#### Laboratory Pilot Study Begins

The first phase of a nationwide study of dental laboratories has been completed in Chicago, it has been announced by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Dental Laboratories. The Joint Commission and the pilot study were launched by the American Dental Association in cooperation with eight other dental organizations in March 1963 to improve dental laboratory services. Forty-five dental laboratories have been scheduled for inspection nationally. In addition to the 15 dental laboratories inspected in Chicago, 15 were scheduled for inspection in Norfolk, Va., in August, and in Iowa at a later date. The three areas were chosen as a typical large metropolitan area (Chicago), a medium-size city area (Norfolk) and an area consisting of large rural sections (in Iowa). No accreditation will result from the pilot program. Information from this initial study will be correlated and used to improve procedure during actual inspection and accreditation.

## ADA Hailed on New Membership High

Sec. Harold Hillenbrand has received a congratulatory telegram from Dr. William S. Apple, executive director of the American Pharmaceutical Association, after the ADA reached the 100,000 mark in membership on June 30. "Dental practitioners have set an example for all professions in accepting individual responsibility to support their professional associations. The officers of the ADA, state and local dental societies are to be particularly commended for their successful efforts." the telegram said.

#### Laboratory Animal Use Statement

A recent statement by the Task Force on Care of Laboratory Animals points out that federal regulatory legislation in any form is "not needed and would be harmful." Provision for animal welfare is incorporated in all state, and in many local, laws, according to the statement. The ADA is among agencies represented on the Task Force.

## TWO NEW SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS TO FEATURE LATEST DENTAL RESEARCH DEVELOPMENTS

Two new programs designed to acquaint the practicing dentist with the latest achievements in dental research have been scheduled for the scientific program of the ADA annual session in Atlantic City. The first program will cover "Current concepts in

dental research" while the second is entitled "A capsule course - dental caries as we understand it today."

"Valuable knowledge gained from the laboratories of dental scientists must be made available to the practi cing dentists as quickly as possible," said Dr. R. L. Kreiner, Chicago, chairman of the ADA Council on Dental Research. "Too often in the past, there has been a considerable time lag between discovery of new scientific knowledge and its application by the practicing dentist." Dr. Kreiner emphasized that these programs constitute a new approach in presenting scientific information in a condensed and readily understandable form. "We hope these capsule courses may become an annual feature of the scientific program," he stated. Dr. J. Malcolm Elson. Peoria, Ill., chairman of the ADA Council on Scientific Session, praised the new program as a vital step toward keeping the practicing dentist abreast of the latest developments in dental "These capsule courses can research. be truly helpful to members of the profession and I am delighted with this innovation in the annual scientific program," he said.

Participants and topics in the capsule course scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 16 in Convention Hall, will be: Dr. Paul H. Keyes, National Institute of Dental Research, Bethesda, Md., "New light on the causes of dental caries"; Dr. Erling Johansen, Rochester, N.Y., "An electron microscope examination of the carious lesion," and Dr. Finn Brudevold, Boston, "Defense mechanisms against dental caries." All three papers to be presented in the capsule course will be closely related, making the program similar to a brief post-graduate course for practicing dentists. Participants and topics in the Wednesday morning program on dental research will be: Dr. Henry W. Scherp, NIDR, "What causes periodontal disease"; Dr. Carl J. Witkop, Jr., NIDR, "Genes, chromosomes and dentistry," and Col. George W. Burnett, Washington, D.C.

"A bird's eye view of dental research in 1963." Dr. Holmes T. Knighton, Richmond, Va., chairman, section on research of the Council on Scientific Session, will serve as moderator of both panels.

#### **Detroit Fluoridation Ordinance Upheld**

Wayne Circuit Judge George E. Bowles has ruled that Detroit's fluoridation ordinance is "valid and constitutional in all respects." He thus granted a motion to dismiss a suit challenging the validity of the ordinance. Judge Bowles' ruling came on a suit filed last December by a group of Detroit anti-fluoridationists after the City Council approved fluoridation Nov. 27, 1962. When fluoridation is placed in operation in 1964. some three and a half million persons will receive the benefits of the measure since 52 suburbs buy their water from Detroit.

## 9 Atlantic City Hotels, Motels Filled

The ADA Housing Bureau reported reservations for the annual session in Atlantic City so far have filled nine hotels and motels. They include the Californian Motel, Claridge Hotel, Colony Motel, Dennis Hotel, Empress Motel, Saxony Motel, Shelburne Hotel, Sterling Hotel and the Traymore Hotel. The Runnymede Hotel will be closed during the Association's annual session.

#### **Two NIDR Appointments Announced**

Dr. Philip Ross has become assistant chief of the training section of the extramural programs branch of the National Institute of Dental Research, it was announced by Dr. Francis A. Arnold, Jr., Institute director. In a second staff change, Dr. Nelson E. Lyttle has been appointed executive secretary of the dental program-project committee of the branch.

## Dr. Mitchell Installed NDA President

Dr. Matthew Mitchell, Washington, D.C., was installed as president of the National Dental Association at the 50th anniversary meeting last week in Philadelphia. Dr. William J. Walker, Chicago, was installed as president-elect and Dr. E. N. Jackson, Charlottesville, Va., was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Newly elected officers include Dr. H.R. Primas, Jr., Pittsburgh, vice-president, Dr. James Wallace, Chicago, chairman of the NDA executive board, and Dr. James A. Catchings, Detroit, secretary of the executive board. Dr. John W. Houser, Rome, Ga., was the recipient of the "Dentist of the Year Award" and Dr. J. W. Holley III, Portsmouth, Va., received the "President's Award." Dr. Gerald Timmons, ADA president, who addressed the meeting, and Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, ADA secretary, who sent a congratulatory telegram, praised the NDA for its half-century of service in helping to maintain the nation's high standard of dental care. NDA officers said that they were pleased with the relationship which has developed between the NDA and the ADA.

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the Chalfonte Hotel. Tickets are \$5 per person and reservations are needed. The ADA Council on International Relations will hold its annual international luncheon Tuesday at 12 noon in the Ballroom of the Shelburne Hotel. ADA members are invited to attend and tickets are \$5 per person.

A musical production entitled "An Evening to Remember" will be presented in the Ballroom of the Atlantic City Convention Hall Tuesday Evening, Oct. 15, at 8 p.m. Tickets for this event will be 95 cents. Interpretations of "The Broadway Parade," a refreshing theater lecture by Helen B. Metzler, will be presented for the ladies Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 16, at 2:30 p.m. in the Viking Theater, Haddon Hall. Admission will be free. Tickets for all social events can be ordered by writing to ADA Ticket Sales, Atlantic City Convention Bureau, 16 Central Pier, Atlantic City, N.J.



Pres. Gerald D. Timmons addressed the 50th annual meeting of the National Dental Association in Philadelphia last week. Seated at right are (L.-R.) Dr. Richard Layne, St. Louis, NDA immediate past president, and Dr. Russell A. Dixon, Washington, D.C., dean of Howard University College of Dentistry.

## Irish Court Upholds Fluoridation

The Irish High Court on July 31 upheld the constitutionality of a national law requiring fluoridation of all community water supplies. High Court Justice Kenny said that the Health Act adopted in 1960 does not infringe any of the personal, family or educational rights guaranteed by the Irish constitution and that fluoridation will not cause harm to the public health. He ruled on a suit filed by an Irish housewife. Some 30 witnesses from around the world including seven from the United States testified on behalf of the efficacy and safety of fluoridation.

#### N.Y. Firm Obtains Dental Coverage

Some 225 employes and dependents of the Grant Pulley and Hardware Corporation of West Nyack, N.Y., are now covered under a dental plan administered by the New York Dental Service Corporation. The agreement, which went into effect Aug. 1, provides coverage including diagnostic services, restorations, oral surgery, periodontic service, root canal therapy, prosthetic services and orthodontic care for children.

#### **Group Insurance Meeting Set**

A second Conference on Professional Association Group Insurance Programs has been scheduled for Sept. 16-17, 1963 in the ADA Central Office.