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## ADA WARNS ON USE OF DENTURE RELINERS (See Page 3)

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### JCADL ACCREDITS 17 MORE DENTAL LABORATORIES; TOTAL NOW AT 60

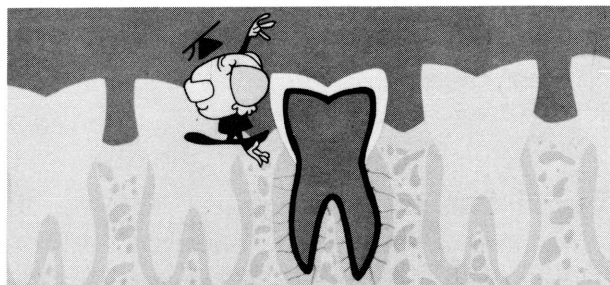
The second list of accredited dental laboratories was released April 15 by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Dental Laboratories. Seventeen dental laboratories from 14 states are included, bringing the total number of accredited dental laboratories to 60 in 24 states. The Joint Commission was created to conduct a national program of dental laboratory accreditation in order to develop and maintain a mutually helpful relationship between the profession and the dental laboratories in the best interest of the health of the public. Dr. J. Eugene Ziegler, Hollywood, Calif., chairman of the Joint Commission, announced the additional dental laboratories receiving accreditation. He congratulated the dental laboratories and the 14 state dental societies for "their cooperation and support of the Joint Commission's program." Dr. Ziegler pointed out that the accreditation program "is voluntary and surveys are conducted only upon request of the dental laboratory." An insert giving a complete listing of all accredited dental laboratories is included in this News Letter. Names of newly accredited dental laboratories are in capital letters.

### Special Issue Of JOS Planned

A special issue of the Journal of Oral Surgery containing papers from the Conference on Research in Oral Surgery, held last September in Detroit, will be published probably in June. This issue will be in addition to the six regular 1965 editions.

### Alaska Expands Reciprocity

Alaska has reduced from five to two the number of years of practice in another state required for dental licensure by reciprocity without examination in Alaska. The applicant for reciprocity must have practiced in a state which has a reciprocal agreement with Alaska (presently only New Hampshire). In addition, a one-year temporary license will be issued without examination to a dentist who is licensed in any other state and agrees to practice in a qualified rural area in Alaska. An Alaska license will be granted without examination to any dentist who has possessed a temporary permit for five consecutive years. The changes were effected through amendment of the Alaska Dental Practice Act.



The latest ADA TV cartoon discusses the "toughness" of teeth in withstanding the pressures of chewing, but then goes on to warn that proper home and professional care is needed to maintain the health of even the "toughest" tooth. The one-minute cartoons are issued every other month to 258 television stations across the nation.

## AFDE Nears \$2 Million Mark

Contributions to the American Fund for Dental Education since its founding in 1955 now total nearly \$2 million, Dr. Raymond J. Nagle, AFDE president, announced at the group's recent annual session in New York. He said that 1964 contributions were 14 per cent greater than 1963 and a "phenomenal" 149 per cent increase in contributors was achieved. The Fund will conduct its major fund raising campaign during "AFDE Month" in May when all dentists will be asked to contribute. The Fund has distributed over half its income directly to the nation's 50 dental schools and the remainder in scholarships, fellowships, student loans and for dental education research.

Dr. Nagle, who is dean of New York University College of Dentistry, presented the Fund's newly created "Award of Merit" to the ADA, to the American Dental Trade Association, to Arthur E. Meyerhoff, Chicago, president of Arthur Meyerhoff Associates, and to Donald C. Power, New York, chairman of the board, General Telephone and Electronics Corp. Meyerhoff, author of the recently published book "The Strategy of Persuasion", was cited for the contribution of his advertising agency's time and talent as a public service to the Fund's information program. Power was cited for his chairmanship of the Fund's first Eastern region campaign conducted last year among national non-dental business and industry.

Dr. Nagle was elected to his fourth term as president. Dr. Harry Lyons, Richmond, dean of the Medical College of Virginia School of Dentistry, was elected to a fourth term as vice-president.

## Dental Seminar In Mexico

The 18th annual seminar of the Grupo de Estudios Dentales U.S.C. de Mexico will be held May 16-20 at Hotel Penafiel Tohuacan, Puebla, Mexico. Interested U.S. dentists are asked to contact Dr. Roberto E. Woodworth, Grupo de Estudios Dentales U.S.C. de Mexico, Insurgentes 257-10, Mexico, D.F.

## Research, Education Conference Set

The impact of research on dental education will be the theme of the National Conference on Dental Research and Education Oct. 4-6 in Washington, D.C. Purpose of the conference is to review the present status and future directions of research and its relation to dental education. Dr. James A. Shannon, director of the National Institutes of Health, will keynote the conference with a discussion of "The national purpose in support of health research." Other speakers will include U.S. Rep. John E. Fogarty (D.-R.I.), Dr. Frederick Seitz, president of the National Academy of Sciences and Dr. Francis A. Arnold, Jr., director of the National Institute of Dental Research.

Sessions of the conference will be devoted to discussion of: Research and the University, Research and Dental Education, and Relationships Between The Federal Government and Programs of Research and Education. Deans of dental schools and representatives of their parent universities have been invited to participate in the conference, which is sponsored by the ADA, American Association of Dental Schools and National Dental Association. It is supported by the Procter and Gamble Company.

## ADR Given To Dental Seniors

The 1965 Accepted Dental Remedies, published annually by the ADA Council on Dental Therapeutics, has been distributed free of charge to senior dental students throughout the country. In a covering letter to the students, ADA President Fritz A. Pierson cited publication of the book as one of the Association's programs to assist the practicing dentist in serving the public. "This book...helps the practicing dentist adopt a rational approach to the use of drugs in dental treatment and make a proper evaluation of those dental patients who are receiving drugs as part of medical treatment," he said. The special distribution was made possible through a grant from Procter and Gamble Company.

DENTAL LABORATORIES ACCREDITED BY  
THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF DENTAL LABORATORIES

April 15, 1965

Classification designation for the laboratories signifies the following:

(a) Complete Dentures; (b) Removable Partial Dentures; (c) Fixed Prosthodontics; (d) Ceramics; and (e) Orthodontics.

- California: Pacific Dental Laboratory of Palo Alto, Palo Alto (a,c)  
Pacific Dental Laboratory of San Francisco, San Francisco (a,b,c,d)  
U S Public Health Service Central Dental Laboratory, San Francisco (a,b,c,d)
- Delaware: Climax Dental Supply Company, Inc of Delaware, Wilmington (a,b,c,d,e)
- Florida: \*ANDERSON'S LABORATORIES, Orlando (a,b,c,d)  
Schwartz Dental Lab, Sol, Miami (a)
- Georgia: Anderson Dental Laboratory, Macon (a,b,c,e)
- Illinois: American Dental Company-Laboratories, Chicago (a,b,c,d,e)  
Austenal Company, Division of Howe Sound Company, Chicago (a,b,c,d)  
\*CRUSE DENTAL LABORATORY, INC, LINN B, DECATUR (a,b,c,d)  
Duncanlite Laboratory, Inc, Villa Park (a,b,c,e)  
Ideal Dental Laboratory, Chicago (a,b,c,d)  
Kennedy Co., Joseph E, Chicago (a,b,c,d,e)  
Major-Monroe Dental Laboratory, Inc, Chicago (a,b,c)  
Naughton & Company, M E, Chicago (Alsip) (a,b,c)  
Nobilium Processing, Inc, Chicago (b)  
Smith Dental Laboratory, A E, Macomb (a,c)  
\*SOUTH SHORE DENTAL LABORATORY, INC, Chicago (a,b,c,d)
- Iowa: Lamb Dental Laboratory, Inc, Chauncey H, Des Moines (a,b,c,d)  
\*MITCHELL DENTAL LABORATORY, Ft Dodge (a,b,c,d)
- Kentucky: Crutcher Laboratory, Inc, T M, Louisville (a,b,c,d)
- Maine: \*ELIASON DENTAL LABORATORY, INC, Portland (a,b)
- Maryland: Baltimore Dental Laboratory, Inc, Baltimore (a,b,c)  
\*CO-OPERATIVE DENTAL LABORATORIES, Baltimore (a,b,c,d,e)  
Rothstein Dental Laboratories, Inc, Silver Spring (a,b,c,d)
- Massachusetts: \*MASSACHUSETTS DENTAL PROSTHETICS, INC, Boston (a,b,c,d)  
\*WESTOVER AIR FORCE BASE AREA DENTAL LABORATORY, Westover AFB (a,b,c,d)

\* Dental laboratories accredited by the Joint Commission since the last published list.

Michigan: Ferguson-Schreiber Dental Laboratories, Inc, Royal Oak (a,b,c,d)  
 Kirsten-Sanders Dental Laboratories, Inc, Detroit (a,b,c,d,e)  
 \*SCHUMACHER DENTAL LABORATORY, INC, Ferndale (a,b,c,d)

Minnesota: \*BOOS DENTAL LABORATORIES, INC, HENRY P - DULUTH BRANCH,  
 Duluth (a,b,c,d,e)  
 Boos Dental Laboratories, Inc, Henry P, Minneapolis (a,b,c,d,e)

Mississippi: Dental Prosthetic Laboratory, Air Force Base, USAF Hospital,  
 Keesler (a,c)

Missouri: Dental Arts Laboratory, Inc, St Louis (c,d)

Nebraska: \*KIESS DENTAL LABORATORY, Omaha (a,b)

Nevada: Bonanza Dental Laboratory, Inc, Reno (a,b,c,d)  
 \*ORAL-ARTS DENTAL STUDIO, Reno (a,b,c,d)

New Jersey: Superior Dental Laboratories of New Jersey, Inc, Erlton (a,b,c,d)  
 \*VICTORY DENTAL LABORATORIES, Camden (a,b,c,d)

New York: \*AUSTENAL COMPANY-DIVISION OF HOWE SOUND COMPANY, New York (a,b,c,d)

North Carolina: Woodward Prosthetic Company, Greensboro (a,b,c,d,e)

Ohio: Covedent Laboratory, Covington (c)

Oregon: Dahlin Dental Laboratories, Inc, Portland (a,b,c,d)  
 Dental Arts Company, Portland (a,b,c,d,e)  
 Western Casting Laboratories, Portland (b,c,d)

Pennsylvania: Climax Dental Supply Company, Inc, Laboratory Division,  
 Philadelphia (a,b,c,d,e)  
 Criterion Dental Laboratories, Philadelphia (a,b,c,d)  
 \*GRACEY DENTAL LABORATORY INC, Pittsburgh (a,b,c,d,e)  
 Hartman Laboratories, Inc, Pittsburgh (a,b,c,d)  
 Muth & Mumma Dental Laboratories, Inc, Harrisburg (a,b,c,d)  
 Rodin Dental Laboratory Inc, Philadelphia (a,b,c,d,e)  
 \*SUPERIOR DENTAL LABORATORIES OF ALLENTOWN, Allentown (a,b,c,d,e)  
 Superior Dental Laboratories of Philadelphia, Inc,  
 Philadelphia (a,b,c,d,e)

Tennessee: \*DECORSE-ATTAWAY DENTAL LABORATORY, Memphis (a,b,c,d,e)

Virginia: Capitol Dental Laboratories, Richmond (c,d)  
 Johnson-Miller Dental Laboratory, Inc, Arlington (a,b,c)  
 Peninsula Dental Laboratory, Newport News (a,b,c)  
 Precision Dental Laboratory, Richmond (a,b,c,d)  
 Rothstein Dental Laboratories, Inc, Charlottesville (a)  
 Virginia Laboratories, Norfolk (a,b,c,d)

The dental laboratories listed have voluntarily applied for, and received accreditation of their operations and facilities by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Dental Laboratories. The omission of any dental laboratory from the list does not necessarily indicate that such a laboratory has failed to meet accreditation standards.

## **ADA CALLS HOME DENTURE RELINERS KITS 'DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH MENACE'**

An official of the ADA has labeled home denture reliner kits a "menace to dental public health" and warned that their use often causes serious and permanent injury. Dr. J. Eugene Ziegler, Hollywood, Calif., chairman of the ADA Council on Dental Trade and Laboratory Relations, declared: "Upon the basis of documented injuries caused by home denture reliners, the Council is convinced that these materials constitute a menace to dental public health and their unsupervised sale should be stopped. It is as senseless for the layman to attempt to relin his dentures with these ineffective and potentially dangerous materials as it would be for him to make an artificial limb."

Dr. Ziegler cited a five-year study recently completed by the National Bureau of Standards which showed that the gradual deterioration in the stability and fit of dentures was caused by changes in the mouth tissues, and, contrary to popular opinion, not by dimensional changes in the dentures. One of the chief hazards of using the "do-it-yourself" reliners is that so much oral damage can be done that it becomes impossible for a dentist to construct satisfactory new dentures, Dr. Ziegler explained. Injuries attributed to home denture reliners include bone destruction, damage to the joints of the jaw, irritation of tissues and malocclusion. Under certain conditions there is reason to suspect that the use of home denture reliners may be a contributing cause of oral cancer through constant irritation, he said.

Dr. Ziegler reported that the Council has reviewed a number of documented reports of injuries caused by use of home denture reliners and has turned over this evidence to the Food and Drug Administration in the hope that the agency will bar the sale of reliner kits.

### **Four Cities Okay Fluoridation**

Two cities in South Carolina, Clinton and Sumter, and two communities in Iowa, Oskaloosa and Lake Mills, recently began fluoridating their water supplies.

### **Fluoridation And Dental Practice**

The University of Illinois College of Dentistry in Chicago has received a \$25,000 grant from the U.S. Public Health Service to study the effects of fluoridation on dental practice. The project is being directed by Dr. Bruce L. Douglas. "On the basis of massive public health statistics," said Dr. Douglas, "we now know that fluoridation of public water supplies prevents up to 65 per cent of dental cavities. There is no question about the value and safety of this measure for improving the dental health of a community, a method firmly supported by the nation's dentists and physicians. However, no large-scale study has ever been undertaken to determine how dental practice differs in fluoridated and fluoride-deficient communities." Such a study is of vital importance to public health officials, dental educators and dentists themselves, he added. Several communities in the United States are being used for the study. Comparable communities, one with fluoridation and the other without, will be compared. In the Midwest, Aurora, Ill., with its naturally fluoridated water will be compared with Rockford, Ill., which has fluoride deficient water. Newburgh, N.Y., which has been artificially fluoridated for the past 20 years will also be compared with Kingston, N.Y., which is fluoride deficient.

### **"Pattern Of A Profession" Still Popular**

The film "Pattern of a Profession," originally produced in conjunction with the 1959 ADA Centennial Session, is still one of the most widely used films in the ADA Bureau of Audiovisual Service, according to Daryl I. Miller, director. Mr. Miller released figures showing that, since 1960, an estimated total television audience of 19,354,464 had viewed the film. The film was produced with grants from Church & Dwight Company and from the American Association of Dental Schools.

## Dentists Cited For Latin American Aid

Dr. Robert Cherry, a dentist of Coral Gables, Fla., has been cited by Rep. Dante B. Fascell (D-Fla.) for his leadership in the Coral Gables-Cartagena people-to-people program which provides medical and dental information and drugs to thousands of needy persons in Latin America. The project is conducted by 25 dentists and physicians in Coral Gables. Rep. Fascell's comments, which are published in the Congressional Record, state in part: "I take this opportunity to express my sincere congratulations to Dr. Cherry and his partners on this very worthy undertaking. Their initiative, generosity and sacrifice are doing much to make this a better world for our children. They also help in the attainment of the goals pursued by the U.S. Government through its Alliance For Progress undertakings."

## Hospital Dental Procedure Guide

A 195-page, fully illustrated "Guide to Hospital Dental Procedure" has been published by the ADA Council on Hospital Dental Service. Co-edited by Dr. Bruce L. Douglas of the University of Illinois College of Dentistry and Dr. Gerard J. Casey, secretary of the Council, the book discusses all phases of hospital dentistry. Included in sections of the book are such topics as dental house staff and dental patient; dentist in the operating room; emergency treatment of a dental patient; instrument setups for hospital oral surgery, and oral pathology and the clinical laboratory. Copies of the book may be purchased from the ADA Order Department for \$5.

## ADA Aids Latin American Schools

The ADA has awarded a \$10,000 grant to Asociacion Latino Americana de Facultades de Odontologia (ALAFOD) to advance dental education in Latin America. The grant was made to the Pan American Health Organization and will be administered by that agency to further the objectives of ALAFOD. This is the Association's first grant in support of dental schools and dental education in Latin America.



Latest progress in construction of the new ADA headquarters building was marked by the installation of two giant boilers. Picture shows one of the 37-ton boilers being swung into place on the 23rd floor which will house utility equipment. Installation of the precast concrete columns is almost complete.

## Southern Deans, Examiners Elect

Dr. Charles A. McCallum, Jr., dean of the University of Alabama School of Dentistry, has been elected president of the Southern Conference of Dental Deans and Examiners. Other officers for 1965 include Drs. George H. Moulton, dean of Emory University School of Dentistry, president-elect; Robert Thoburn, chairman of the Florida Board of Dental Examiners, re-elected vice-president, and Shailer Peterson, dean of the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry, re-elected secretary-treasurer.

## Dr. Scherp Gets Award

Dr. Henry W. Scherp, Ph.D., Bethesda, Md., chief of the laboratory of microbiology, National Institute of Dental Research, has received the Superior Service Award of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. HEW Sec. Anthony J. Celebrezze made the presentation.

## Calif. City Resumes Fluoridation

After a lapse of ten years fluoridation has been resumed in Martinez, Calif. The measure was placed into operation in 1954 and discontinued a little less than a year later.