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HEALTH MANPOWER REPORT HIGHLIGHT OF 19TH DENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

Highlighting the 19th National Dental Health Conference at ADA Headquarters April 8-10 will be a special panel discussion on dental implications of the Report of the National Advisory Commission on Health Manpower. Issued in December 1967, the Report noted that the nation's health system is approaching a crisis and that major changes must be made in the system to avert the crisis. The Report suggested that "government, universities, the health professions, hospitals, private insurance carriers, and prepayment plans" work together to solve the critical problems. Included among the 58 major changes in the health system recommended by the Report were the suggestions that:

--Refresher courses for physicians and dentists or periodic examinations be required for renewal of licenses;

--Incentive grants be made to dental and medical schools to increase the output of dentists and physicians;

--Federal funding of university programs be established to develop new categories of health professionals.

Speakers on the Dental Health Conference panel, and their topics, will be: Dr. Joseph Volker, discussing the implications for dentistry in the health manpower report; Dr. Maynard Hine, discussing implications for dental education; Dr. William O. Vopata, speaking on dental examining boards, and Dr. Harold S. Eberhardt, presenting the view from general practice. Dr. Lester W. Burket

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Lightner Nominated For Major General

Brig. Gen. Lee M. Lightner was nominated for the rank of major general by the U.S. Air Force Feb. 14. Confirmation of his nomination by the U.S. Senate is expected shortly. Gen. Lightner serves as chief dental officer for the Air Force.



Dr. Herbert J. Bloom (left), chief of the division of dental and oral surgery for Project HOPE, shows a map of Ceylon to Dr. Harry M. Kavanaugh, dental coordinator for the HOPE mission and Dr. Hugh Cooper, Jr., of the HOPE Dental Committee in charge of personnel selection. The hospital ship will depart for Ceylon on Feb. 29. Dr. Bloom recently explained the Ceylon mission to the members of the HOPE permanent committee, its dental rotators and dental auxiliaries meeting at ADA Headquarters.

NDA Honors Andrew Howe

Andrew M. Howe, who recently retired as an officer of Wm. Wrigley Jr. Co., was made an honorary member of the National Dental Association at a testimonial luncheon held this month. The NDA, which is the national professional association of Negro dentists, cited Mr. Howe's interest in dentistry, particularly through the production of dental health films for the use in public schools. Mr. Howe, a Winnetka resident, had been with the Wrigley Co. for 22 years. As director of special projects, he was responsible for the company's relations with the dental profession. In 1966, the NDA gave Mr. Howe its Humanities Award which had only been made once before, posthumously to President John F. Kennedy.



Andrew Howe

Mr. Howe is also an honorary member of the ADA, a director of the American Fund for Dental Education and chairman of its public information division, a member of the New York University President's Council for the College of Dentistry, and a member of the American Association of Dental Schools.

Oral Biology Conference In Denmark

The fourth International Conference on Oral Biology will be held July 15-17 in Copenhagen, Denmark, under the sponsorship of the International Association for Dental Research and supported by the Colgate-Palmolive Company. Previous conferences were held in New York in 1959, in Bonn in 1962 and in London in 1965. The Conference will be divided into six half-day sessions under the theme "The biology of interfaces." Among topics to be discussed are the interfaces of oral epithelium with the external environment and the underlying connective tissue, development of the tooth germ as influenced by its surrounding tissues and the biology of the enamel-saliva interface. Information on the meeting can be obtained from IADR, 211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, 60611.

NIDR Has Five New Sections

Dr. Seymour J. Kreshover, director of the National Institute of Dental Research, has announced the establishment of five new sections within the Institute. The new sections and their respective chiefs are: clinical trials, Dr. Harold R. Englander; epidemiology, Dr. Norman W. Littleton; biometry, Dr. James P. Carlos; developmental genetics, Dr. Kenneth S. Brown, and population genetics, Dr. Jerry D. Niswander. The first three new groups are located within the Institute's Biometry and Field Investigations Branch and the other two represent units of the Human Genetics Branch.

IADR Offers Student Travel Grants

The International Association for Dental Research has made ten travel grants available to assist research-oriented high school and college students to attend the 46th general meeting of the Association March 21-24 in San Francisco. These \$100 grants are being offered to high school students, prebaccalaureate students and undergraduate dental students who have research potential and who would benefit from attending the scientific sessions of the meeting. Further information regarding the travel grants can be obtained from IADR, 211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, 60611.

ADA Grants \$500 To Smoking Agency

The ADA has contributed \$500 in support of the program of the National Interagency Council (NIC) on Smoking and Health, ADA Sec. Harold Hillenbrand has announced. Membership of the agency includes the major health organizations such as the ADA, and several governmental agencies. Its major purpose is to combat smoking as a health hazard and to disseminate information on individual member activities to all agencies holding NIC membership.

Canadian Fluoridation Gains

Five Canadian communities recently approved fluoridation. They are Hinton, Westlock and Grant Centre in Alberta, and Petrolia, in Ontario and Chateaugay in Quebec.

Jr. Dental Scientist Program Continues

The ADA has announced the names of 26 dental schools which will participate in its Junior Dental Scientist Awards Program for 1968. Each school will select one high school student to take part in an eight week summer program of dental research at that institution. The student will receive a \$300 traineeship award for the eight-week research period. The program, which is administered by the ADA Council on Dental Research, is supported with grants from the General Electric Company's Dental Health Section and the Warner-Lambert Company. Twenty-three of the institutions participated in last year's Junior Dental Scientist Awards Program; according to Dr. Parker E. Mahan, Atlanta, Ga., chairman of the Council on Dental Research. Three schools are participating for the first time, he said. They are: Georgetown University, Washington University and Temple University.

Other participating institutions are: Case Western Reserve University; The Eastman Dental Center; Emory University; Howard University; Indiana University; Marquette University; Meharry Medical College; New Jersey College of Medicine & Dentistry; State University of New York at Buffalo; Tufts University School of Dental Medicine; University of Alabama; University of California at Los Angeles; University of Detroit; University of Illinois; University of Kentucky; University of Maryland; University of Missouri at Kansas City; University of Nebraska; University of Oregon Dental School; University of Pittsburgh; University of Minnesota; University of Southern California, and The University of Texas Dental Branch. Dr. Mahan explained that the names of high school students selected for this summer's program will be announced shortly.

6th Iranian Congress Sept. 11-15

The Sixth Annual Congress of the Iranian Dental Association will be held at the National University of Iran in Tehran Sept. 11-15. Persons wishing to participate in the Congress may contact Dr. O. Bakhtiari, secretary general of the Iranian Dental Association, 82 Hafez Ave., Tehran, Iran.



William Getz, left, president of William Getz Corporation, division of Teledyne, Inc., receives plaque from Dr. Norman Topping, president of the University of Southern California, in "recognition of his outstanding contributions to excellence in dentistry." Dr. John I. Ingle, dean of the USC dental school, witnesses the presentation. Mr. Getz, a benefactor of many of the nation's dental schools, contributed \$25,000 to the USC dental school's expansion program.

Dental X-Ray Pamphlet Distributed By APhA

The ADA publication, "Dental x-rays and your health," will be distributed to pharmacies by the American Pharmaceutical Association's Health Education Center Service. The ADA Bureau of Dental Health Education, as part of its continuing program with the APhA, has transmitted 40,000 copies of the pamphlet to the education center. Participating pharmacies will display the pamphlets on racks for free distribution to customers.

Name New Hygienists' Editor

Miss D. Jeanne Bedore, director of the University of Detroit's department of dental hygiene, has been named editor of The Journal of the American Dental Hygienists' Association. She succeeds Miss Lucille Klein who resigned after six years as editor. Miss Bedore is a graduate of the University of Detroit and is immediate past president of the Michigan State Dental Hygienists' Association.

AFDE Gifts Set Record In 1967

Contributions to the American Fund for Dental Education totaled \$506,060 last year, according to Dr. Raymond J. Nagle, AFDE president. "This amount represented a 12 per cent increase over 1966 and was the greatest amount ever received by the Fund in one year," Dr. Nagle said. There were over 13,000 individual and corporate contributions made, a 35 per cent increase over 1966. In 1966, the Fund took in \$454,031 from 10,000 contributions. Since its beginning in 1955, Dr. Nagle said the Fund has raised nearly \$3 million in support of dental education. In 1967, \$134,037 was awarded directly to the dental schools; \$100,759 for use by the American Association of Dental Schools; \$69,150 for dental teacher training fellowships; \$21,465 for workshops, publications and educational research, and \$8,030 for dental hygiene, assisting and laboratory technology scholarships.

The American Dental Trade Association and its member companies led all other sources of support for the Fund in 1967 with contributions of \$154,975. ADTA and its members have contributed 40 per cent of the Fund's total income since its creation. The ADA made a \$75,000 contribution to the Fund in 1967. It was split three ways, \$25,000 for the Fund's various programs; \$25,000 for the creation and administration of four new \$6,000 dental teacher training fellowships, and \$25,000 earmarked for support of the American Association of Dental Schools. Dr. Nagle reported several other major sources of support during 1967. Contributions from general business and industry totaled \$133,069; dental laboratories, \$6,882; Dental Manufacturers of America, \$8,715, and Dental Dealers of America, \$990. Living Memorial contributions made during the year totaled \$11,582, a 29 per cent increase over 1966. Individual dentists, hygienists and assistants provided \$97,242 in AFDE Month contributions last May. This was a 17 per cent increase over the previous year.

Visa-Free Travel For FDI Meeting

U.S. dentists attending the 1968 Federation Dentaire Internationale meeting in Varna, Bulgaria, will be permitted visa-free entry and departure. The Bulgarian Council of Ministers has stated that the visa-free arrangement "will be applied for citizens of countries from all over the world willing to visit Bulgaria as tourists for more than 24 hours and for less than two months." The visa-free arrangements also apply to tourists remaining in the nation less than 24 hours, provided they are part of an official tour group. Scientific highlights of the FDI Varna session include programs on the early diagnosis of oral tumors, reactions of oral tissues to prosthetic appliances and diagnostic methods. A special feature will be an open meeting on the training and utilization of auxiliary dental personnel.

Only supporting members of FDI may attend the Varna session. Annual dues for supporting membership are \$18. In addition, supporting members attending the session must fill out an enrollment form and pay an enrollment fee. Supporting membership applications, enrollment forms and additional information on the Varna session may be obtained by writing Dr. Obed H. Moen, U.S. National Treasurer, 6 Main St., Watertown, Wis., 53094.

Dr. Earle Lyman Associate Dean

Dr. P. Earle Lyman has been appointed associate dean for graduate studies and director of the postgraduate School of Dentistry at The University of Texas Dental Branch. Dr. Lyman also holds the rank of professor in the University's department of physiology. Prior to joining the University staff, he was associated with the National Institute of Dental Research for several years.

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will moderate the panel. Additional topics to be covered at the Conference include national and state health legislation, dental auxiliary education and dental prepayment. The Conference is sponsored jointly by the ADA Councils on Dental Health and Dental Care Programs.