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# DR. McCALLUM NEW AADS PRESIDENT; HOUSE VOTES INCREASE IN DUES

Dr. Charles A. McCallum, Jr., of Birmingham, Ala., dean of the University of Alabama dental school, was elected president of the American Association of Dental Schools at the group's annual session last month in Houston. He succeeds Dr. John V. Olson of Houston, dean of the University of Texas Dental Branch. Others elected were: Dr. William R. Mann of Ann Arbor, Mich., dean of the University of Michigan dental school, president-

elect, and Dr. Edmund E. Jeansonne of New Orleans, dean of Louisiana State University dental school, vicepresident. Dr. Charles T. Smith of Loma Linda, Calif., dean of Loma Linda University dental school, was elected as a member of the Executive Council. Other members of the Executive Council are: Dr. John J. Salley, of Baltimore, Md., dean of the University of Maryland dental school, Dr. Erwin M. Schaffer of Minneapolis, dean of the University of Minnesota dental school, and Dr. Harry Blechman of New York, dean of the New York University dental Reappointed were: Marion W. McCrea of Philadelphia, Temple University dental school, editor, and Ben F. Miller of Chicago, secretary-treasurer.

The AADS House of Delegates accepted in principle a reorganization proposal and agreed with a Reference Committee recommendation to postpone action on the plan until the 1970 annual session to permit considering further revisions.

During the Reference Committee hearing on the proposal, the Special Committee on Association Role and Function (SCARF) was commended for its comprehensive study of the present status and future role of the

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### ADA Leaders Meet With Sec. Finch

ADA officials held their first meeting with the new Secretary of Health Education and Welfare Robert H. Finch on April 8. Mr. Finch expressed special interest in what can be done through private-public cooperative effort to improve the dental health of children as a vital part of overall youth development.



From left are: Dr. Hubert A. McGuirl, ADA president; Dr. I. Lawrence Kerr, chairman of the ADA Council on Legislation; Sec. Robert H. Finch and Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, ADA executive director.

## **NIDR Appoints Caries Task Force**

Appointment of an expert panel to guide the operations of the Dental Institute's Caries Task Force has been announced by Dr. Seymour J. Kreshover, director of the National Institute of Dental Research, National Institutes The panel consists of Dr. of Health. Basil G. Bibby, director, Eastman Dental Center, Rochester; Dr. George W. Burnett, professor of microbiology, Medical College of Georgia dental school; Dr. Charles J. Donnelly, chief, dental caries and hard tissues program, NIDR Extramural Programs; Dr. Robert J. Fitzgerald, Veterans Administration Hospital, Miami; Dr. John C. Greene, deputy director, Division of Dental Health, Bureau of Health Professions Education and Manpower Training, NIH; Dr. Robert S. Harris, professor of nutritional biochemistry, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Dr. John W. Knutson, professor of preventive dentistry, University of California dental school. will assist Dr. Henry W. Scherp, chairman of the Caries Task Force. which functions directly under Dr. Kreshover. The task force was created to direct an intensive concerted program of research and applied programs leading toward the nearly complete prevention of tooth decay in the next decade. Drawing on various scientific disciplines, this program encompasses clinical and epidemiologic trials as well as laboratory research. A principal focus is the microbiologic approach.

The task force not only will continue to draw on the efforts of NIDR scientists but will also use contract resources to exploit new developments as quickly as possible. Its activities will also be coordinated with research performed under grant support. Although continuing as Chief of the Laboratory of Microbiology, National Institute of Dental Research, a position he has held since 1958, Dr. Scherp will devote most of his time to the task force. A diplomate of the American Board of Microbiology, Dr. Scherp holds the Ph.D. degree from Harvard University.

## **Staff Appointments Announced**

ADA Executive Director Harold Hillenbrand has announced several staff promotions. Leo S. Kleck has been named comptroller, to succeed Wendell K. Holman, who has resumed his duties as director of the ADA Bureau of Data Processing. Prior to joining the ADA staff in 1968, Mr. Kleck was comptroller at Encyclopedia Britannica Educational Corp. He was graduated in 1952 from Northwestern University.

John M. Weir, director of the ADA's Smoking and Health Project, was named director of the ADA Bureau of Dental Health Education. Mr. Weir fills a post that has been vacant since the death of Perry J. Sandell in January, 1968. Prior to joining the staff in 1967, Mr. Weir was a social research analyst in the California Department of Public Health. He received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Oklahoma University in 1960 and a master's degree in social psychology from the University of California in 1967.

Miss Joanna Carey was named assistant director of the ADA Bureau of Public Information. Miss Carey joined the ADA staff in 1959 and was named Bureau staff writer in 1964. She received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Loyola University in 1963.

# **Colorado School Faculty Changes Listed**

Dr. Leslie Burrows, dean of the new Colorado University dental school, has announced the following faculty changes: promotion of Dr. Victor J. Matukas, Jr., from associate professor to professor and chairman of the department of stomatology, appointment of Dr. Gordon J. Christensen as professor and chairman of the department of rehabilitative dentistry and appointment of Dr. Apostolos X. Apostolopoulus as professor of pathobiology. Dr. Burrows said the school will be ready for its first freshman class in the fall of 1972. Plans call for seven academic departments in the school: rehabilitative dentistry, surgical dentistry, stomatology, human biology, pathobiology, oral biology and social and preventive dentistry.



Dr. Charles A. McCallum, Jr., third from right, of Birmingham, Ala., is the new president of the American Association of Dental Schools. He is shown here receiving the congratulations of his fellow officers at the closing of the AADS annual session in Houston last month. Others from left are: Ben F. Miller, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Marion W. McCrea, editor; Dr. William R. Mann, president-elect; Dr. John V. Olson, outgoing president; Dr. Charles T. Smith, new Executive Council member. Dr. Edmund E. Jeansonne, vice-president, was not present when this picture was taken.

# Seek Military Dependents' Dental Care

Three bills have been introduced in the House of Representatives which would authorize additional dental care for dependents of active duty members of the uniformed services. Although the proposals vary slightly they would generally provide care by civilian dentists for dependents of active duty servicemen. The measures call for payments by the recipients on a sliding scale according to rank. Additional charges would be prescribed for certain types of care such as bridges, crowns and inlays.

Last year a special subcommittee was appointed by the House Armed Services Committee to study and make recommendations regarding a dental care program for dependents of military personnel. Comprehensive hearings were held and the subcommittee issued a report favoring the establishment of such a program. As a result, Chairman Rivers and several other congressmen introduced bills which closely followed recommendations made by the However, because of budgetary problems, further action was postponed. Again this year the proposed Department of Defense budget does not request funds to start a dental care program although the proposal should find strong support in Congress.

# **Dentist-To-Dentist Program**

The ADA Council on International Relations is developing a program similar to the American Medical Association's Doctor-to-Doctor program. Through the AMA project, nearly 2,000 physicians donate personal copies of medical journals to some 2,700 colleagues in approximately 65 countries. The Council on International Relations asks that dentists wishing to participate in a similar program contact the Council at ADA Headquarters. The Council has also suggested that constituent societies consider providing funds for ADA affiliate membership for foreign dentists. Affiliate membership in the ADA is \$10 a year, and includes subscription to the ADA Journal. In addition, dental editors are asked to work with the Council in distributing extra copies of their publications.

# Idaho Okays Service Corp. Law

The governor of Idaho has signed into law enabling legislation for establishment of a dental service corporation. It is expected that the Idaho State Dental Association will be asked to authorize implementation of this legislation this year.

# **USC Starts Program For Minority Groups**

The University of Southern California dental school has inaugurated a program to increase the enrollment of minority groups and disadvantaged students, according to Dr. Clifton O. Dummett, assistant dean for extramural affairs. "Even though in its 89-year history USC has graduated more black dentists, for example, than any other school in California, the faculty and administration have not been satisfied with the number of minority students applying for admission," Dr. Dummett said. He said he is attempting to develop sources of financial aid which would make scholarships and other assistance available to needy students. He noted that last year, a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation to the American Fund for Dental Education made it possible to award six full scholarships a year to Negro dental students at schools throughout the nation.

#### William E. Brown Named Oklahoma Dean

Dr. William E. Brown, Jr., professor of dentistry at the University of Michigan and president of the Michigan State Dental Association, has been named dean of the new dental school at the University of Oklahoma. According to the University president, J. Herbert Hollomon. Dr. Brown will assume the post on July 1. Dr. Brown received his dental degree in 1945 from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in dentistry for children in 1947. He was a member of the ADA task force on development of a national children's dental health program and is presently serving as a consultant to the ADA Council on Dental Education.

#### **New Zealand Dental Conference**

American dentists have been invited to attend the Fifth Biennial Conference of the New Zealand Dental Association in Dunedin, New Zealand, August 24-28, 1970. Information on the meeting can be obtained from Dr. R. M. King, secretary, conference organizing committee, New Zealand Dental Association, University of Otago Dental School, P.O. Box 647, Dunedin, New Zealand.

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Association. The Committee felt that the proposed revision of the Constitution and Bylaws points in the direction of an organizational pattern with the potential for increasing the effectiveness of the Association. Also these recommendations should make the Association more responsive to the changing demands and challenges of dental edu-The Committee recommended cation. to the AADS Executive Council that SCARF be continued until 1970 and that additional members representative of dental school faculty should be named to that group.

In other action, the AADS House approved a dues increase of \$500 for active member institutions bringing the annual dues for each dental school to \$2,000, and for provisional (developing dental schools) and affiliate (dental program in non-dental institutions and agencies) member institutions from \$375 to \$500 per institution.

## **Deadline June 30 For ADA Life Members**

Deadline for the receipt of ADA life membership applications is June 30, according to Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, ADA Executive director. The deadline is established in Association Bylaws.



Dr. Harold Hillenbrand, right, ADA executive director, talks with Dr. Clifton O. Dummett, left, of Los Angeles, new president of the International Association for Dental Research, and Dr. John B. Macdonald of Toronto, Canada, outgoing IADR president. Dr. Hillenbrand gave the keynote address at the IADR banquet during the group's annual session last month in Houston.