PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

ILLEGAL DENTISTRY: A CHALLENGE TO OUR PROFESSION

One of the major issues facing our profession today is the purveyance of dental service illegally and by unqualified persons.

In early February, a conference on illegal dentistry was held at the American Dental Association’s Headquarters in Chicago under the joint sponsorship of the American Dental Association, the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations and the Academy of General Dentistry. It was most productive and it seemed that any effort to guard the public in this area of concern must be two-fold: an immediate effort and one with longer range goals and objectives.

More recently a conference sponsored by the National Association of Dental Laboratories related to alternate methods of denture delivery service was held in Virginia.

Here, too, the concern of the conference, while supporting the dental profession, was that there was an urgent need for both immediate and continuing action.

In Las Vegas, the House of Delegates of the ADA provided $1.1 million to address this challenge. A committee of trustees has been formed to administer the funds, to apply them in the best interest of the public to meet the current challenge from purveyors of non-professional denture service throughout the nation and to find answers of a lasting nature.

The immediate effort must concern itself with educating the laity and the legislators relative to the problems and dangers of a service provided by illegal operators and the advantages and need for dental prosthetic care to be provided solely by licensed dental practitioners. Only then can intelligent voting take place in state legislatures when this matter is being considered.

What can our College do to assist in this effort to protect the public from those who view denture service as a mechanistic fabrication of a product rather than a professional service to restore and preserve the physical well-being of our patients?

To assist now in those states where there are legislative challenges, we can contact our state legislators, especially if they are personal friends or patients, and inform them of the dangers and shortcomings of the efforts of illegal operators and compare these with the health services which we render.

Our most effective long term effort should be made in the field of education—within the profession—for the public, and with the laboratory industry.

As individuals, officers and as a corporate body our College can work with the Delegates of the ADA, the Council on Dental Education, Deans and Faculty of Dental Schools, and State Boards of Dental Examiners to assure that dental school graduates have an adequate basis to make professional judgments related to treatment of patients requiring denture service and can competently execute work authorizations for and evaluate dental prosthetic devices fabricated by the laboratory industry.

We must assist and encourage practicing dentists to provide work authorizations which are easily and clearly interpreted by the laboratory.

We can educate the public and those legislators, where there is no legal challenge today, as to the value of a professional service and the hazards of anything less. The Council on Dental Laboratory Relations of the ADA can provide a wealth of background material and training aids to assist us in this effort.

We must foster mutual respect between the dental profession and the laboratory industry by joint meetings at the local level and exchange of publication of articles in each other’s journals. Such actions will assure the best possible relationship with each other and an improvement in our ability to render a professional service.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

The routine business activities of the College have gradually shifted from Ken Rudd's home to mine. Supplies and records were moved by the truck-load from San Antonio to Edmond in November. Ken had started to prepare for the change of address by ordering some office supplies with the Edmond address and I have gradually completed this change on all of our standard forms and envelopes.

The change of address was facilitated by announcements in the Newsletter by Dr. Larkin, The J.P.D. and A.D.A. Journals by Dr. Smith and Dr. Morrow. Some College mail is still received by Dr. Rudd who graciously forwards it for action. Would all Committee Chairmen and Executive Council members please help remind our business and professional associates of the new address for routine business for the College?

Notable activities and information passing through the Secretary’s office since the last annual meeting in San Francisco are:

1. Minutes of the last Executive Council meeting distributed.
2. Minutes of the last annual meeting were distributed.
3. Roster of membership was composed, printed and distributed. In it are listed the:
   a. Life fellows - 32
   b. Fellows - 440
   c. Associates - 261
   d. Affiliates - 81
   814

As directed by the Executive Council, a section was added to the roster which lists the membership alphabetically by state.

4. Change IV of the Study Guide was completed. Dr. Di Pietro responded to my emergency request for input and the task was completed on January 15, 1977. Although we missed the deadline for advertising in the most recent Newsletter, we enclosed a copy of Change IV with all new requests for Study Guides at a charge of $3.00.

5. The Mosby mailing list was corrected and forwarded to Dr. Bartlett for verification.

6. New applications since November, 1976:
   Affiliate - 17
   Associate - 10
   Fellow - 1

7. Classics sold - 105
8. Study Guides sold:
   Basic - 54
   Change IV - 55
   Change III - 11

Although the information, listings, and the printing of all our publications is doubly checked, errors do occur. Please notify me and request corrections of breakdowns in our activities so that our associates will know the Kollege for its expertise, efficient business practices and learned membership.

Dean L. Johnson, D.D.S.

UPDATE INFORMATION ON SELF-ASSESSMENT TEST

The Committee on Education and Advancement is now at work preparing the first annual examination. All those who desire to take the examination must so notify Dr. Stephen Bartlett, Treasurer, The American College of Prosthodontists, and also pay the fee ($5.00 for members and $10.00 for non-members) by May 15, 1977. The examinations will be mailed out on June 1, 1977 and the answer sheet must be returned by July 5, 1977.

The grades, correct answers, and references will be provided subsequently.

DID YOU BOMB?

The sample mini-test, self assessment examination has aroused considerable comment. At the recent Chicago meeting several participants felt they might have more than a little difficulty scoring a passing grade. Others, of course, were more confident. In any case, if you blew it or knew it, don't delay getting in your order promptly for the real test. The Education and Advancement Committee, chaired by Russell W. Bickley, pictured above, has the material prepared. Order form in this Newsletter should be sent to Dr. Stephen Bartlett, Treasurer. We have also provided a blank for the Study Guides and additional changes. These orders should be sent to the secretary, Dean Johnson.
NEW ORLEANS
"The City That Care Forgot"
"The Jazz City"

Welcome y'all to the home of the Superdome, the French Quarter, Mardi Gras, sternwheelers and jazz bands, plantations, and creole cookin'. Sound good? No--sounds fantastic!

October 3, 4, 5 and 6 are the dates of the next ACP meeting. All roads lead to New Orleans and the headquarters hotel, The MONTELEONE. The Monteleone stands at the gateway to the French Quarter. Towering over the old city at 214 Rue Royal, the hotel puts you within strolling distance of the city's greatest restaurants. As you walk these storied streets you can sense, almost touch, the shadows of days gone by. Imagine the daily lives of Creole families in these fine homes. Hear the sound of horses' hooves in the lantern-lit carriage-ways. Feel the cool evening hush in the secluded patios. A block away Bourbon Street bursts into colorful revelry as night descends. There you will be privileged to hear jazz and Dixieland as played in their home town. Close by "Old Man River" and his Queen city are yours for the asking.

Don't leave your wives home. This is a lovers' town and a shopper's paradise. This year there will be no confusion on room rates. The flat rate for each room plus 7% sales tax will be:

- Singles - 32.00
- Doubles - 38.00
- Twins - 44.00
- Suites - 85.00 and up

Entertainment and social activities will include something to suit everyone's tastes. The kick-off night, Monday, October 3rd, will be our "get-reacquainted" cocktail party in the La Nouvelle Orleans room in the Monteleone at 6 P.M., jazz band and all. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, October 4, 5 and 6 will provide time to learn and relax.

The following events have been planned for all participants and guests:

Tuesday, October 4th
Ladies Hospitality Room
Morning---Scientific Session
Afternoon---A cruise in the stern-wheeler steamer, Natchez, back to the days when "cotton-was-king" and the way of life was slow and graceful as the current of the Mississippi. Transportation, food, and Dixieland music will add to the enjoyment.

Wednesday, October 5th
Ladies Hospitality Room
Morning---Scientific Session
Ladies tour of plantations on picturesque Old River Road.
Transportation, lunch, and refreshments make this tour a non-walkers delight.
Luncheon---Men's luncheon and guest speaker
Afternoon---Business session

Thursday, October 6th
Ladies Hospitality Room
Morning---Scientific Session
Noon---Adjourn

One last note--our hotel is perfectly situated. It is an easy stroll to almost everything that one wants to do in New Orleans. The atmosphere is home-like and cozy. There are ample hotel facilities for all. The rates are reasonable. This is the year we all get to know each other socially and the Monteleone is the place to do it. Ya'll come and see for yourself--D'hear?

NEW ORLEANS
"Upward Through Learning - 1977"

The theme of our next meeting is "Upward Through Learning-1977". The Scientific Session in the La Nouvelle Orleans Room of the Monteleone Hotel in New Orleans will carry out this theme. The sessions during the mornings of October 4, 5 and 6 are aimed at stimulating thought, creating debate, and providing contrasting views of clinical and educational subjects.

Specifically, our meeting will include papers on porcelain and ceramic restorations, philosophies of prosthodontic graduate education, occlusion, complete dentures, and mandibular movement. Many of our own fellows will be contributors, and there will be researchers, a Certified Dental Technician, an orthodontist, and a panel of guests and fellows to debate theories of mandibular side shift. Our Research Committee is planning to have the winner of our first prosthodontic graduate student research contest in attendance and time is scheduled for this presentation.

New Orleans--1977. In all a time to learn; a time to relax. See you at the Monteleone.

Noel D. Wilkie
Annual Sessions Chairman-1977
THANK YOU TO NEWSLETTER

I wish to thank you for the Newsletter insert calling attention to our schools loss of journals of Prosthetic Dentistry.

It has already had results: Dr. James Fairchild of the school of Dentistry of the University of California at San Francisco has made arrangements to donate his copies of the journal to make up our loss.

Again thank you, and kind personal regards.

Ben W. Oesterling, D.M.D.
(also a big round of applause and thanks to Dr. James Fairchild for his generous response. ed.)

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

More than 114 lectures have been planned for the 2nd International Prosthodontic Congress in Las Vegas, Nevada, October 18-21, 1978. The event in the Las Vegas Hilton hotel is sponsored by the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations with the American Prosthodontic Society as host. The meeting coincides with the 50th anniversary of APS.

Dr. Dayton D. Krajicek, Kerrville, Texas, VA Hospital Director, APS President, will serve as Program Chairman. He said the 1978 meeting is a sequel to the highly acclaimed first Congress in 1972 when more than 2600 registered from throughout the world.

Dr. Krajicek said current program plans call for some 42 essayists from the United States to be nominated by all of the component prosthodontic societies of the Federation.

In addition, 31 foreign essayists will be invited representing countries from a wide geographical distribution throughout the world. They will be selected for clinical expertise and their professional stature within their own country. Essayists will give two presentations on different subjects as well as table clinics.

An audio-visual program presenting the latest knowledge in prosthodontics will be shown continuously during the congress.

Dr. Frank A. Farrell, Chicago, is congress coordinator with Dr. Howard J. Harvey, Clarendon Hills, Ill., vice coordinator. Dr. Kenneth D. Rudd, San Antonio, Texas, is program vice chairman.

The American College of Prosthodontists is also participating in the Congress and supporting it by giving a full day presentation with lecturers representing the College in a room which will be designated as The American College of Prosthodontists Program.
BOOKS AVAILABLE

The "Study Guide for Certification" and "Classic Prosthodontic Articles" are still available. To get your copy(ies) of these valuable books complete the form below and mail it to Dean Johnson, Secretary, 2708 Old Farm Lane, Edmond, Oklahoma 73034.

Name__________________________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________________
City & State __________________________ Zip ________________________
☐ I would like ______ copy(ies) of the "Study Guide for Certification" including Change 3. (Price: Members - $10.00, Non-members - $15.00.)
☐ I would like ______ copy(ies) of Change 3 only. (Price: $3.00)
☐ I would like ______ copy(ies) of Change 4 only. (Price: $3.00)
☐ I would like ______ copy(ies) of the "Classic Prosthodontic Articles". (Price: $10.00)
Amt. enclosed $________________________
Make checks payable to: The American College of Prosthodontists

SELF EXAMINATION ORDER FORM

The Self Assessment Examination is now available. To get your copy of this test complete the form below and mail it to Dr. Stephen Bartlett, Treasurer, Medical U. of SC College of Dental Medicine, 80 Barre Street, Charleston, SC 29401.

Name__________________________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________________
City & State __________________________ Zip ________________________
I would like a copy of the Self Assessment Examination. (Price: $5.00 members - $10.00 non-members)
Amount enclosed $________________________
Make checks payable to: The American College of Prosthodontists

INTER-SOCIETY COLOR COUNCIL MEET SCHEDULED

Subcommittee #35: Color and Appearance Matching of Living Tissue will meet Monday, April 18th at the Statler Hilton Hotel, New York city. Those interested in the meeting are cordially invited. Membership in the Inter-Society Color Council is not necessary to attend. Possibly the membership of the college does not realize that the ACP is a member-body of the ISCC. (The first dental organization, in fact, to be so honored). Individuals can also join the Inter-Society Color Council. Application forms for individual membership may be obtained by writing the secretary:

Dr. Fred W. Billmeyer, Jr.
Department of Chemistry
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Troy, New York 12181

The Newsletter itself is well worth the annual dues, and, as dentists, we do have an active subcommittee in which to find companionship. The annual meetings and the chance to associate with workers in color in other fields and to sit on other subcommittee meetings is always a stimulating experience.

For the further information of our membership an excerpt from the Constitution of the ISCC appears below.

ARTICLE II - AIMS AND PURPOSES
The Council shall operate solely and exclusively as a non-profit organization with the following aims and purposes:
A. To stimulate and coordinate the work being done by the various members leading to the standardization, description, and specification of color by these members.
B. To promote the practical application of this work to the color problems arising in science, art, and industry, for the benefit of the public at large.
C. To promote communications between technically oriented specialists in color and creative workers in art, design, and education, so as to facilitate more effective use of color by the public through dissemination of information about color in both scientific and artistic applications.
D. To promote educational activities and the interchange of ideas on the subjects of color and appearance among its members and the public generally.
E. To cooperate with other organizations, both public and private, to accomplish these objectives for the direct and indirect enjoyment and benefit of the public at large.

Robert C. Sproull