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NEWSLETTER

President's Message

One of the important objects of the Australasian Section of the International College of Dentists is "to endeavour to unite outstanding members of the Dental profession for the purpose of fostering the growth and diffusion of Dental knowledge".

This being so, and the College being international in name, it seemed appropriate to the members of the Board of Regents that serious consideration ought to be given to the diffusion of Dental knowledge beyond the bounds of its own confines of Australasia. In the first instance it was considered that this should include the Asian-Pacific region where perhaps our colleagues have fewer facilities enabling them to keep abreast of recent advantages in Dentistry.

The value of such a concept was brought home very strongly when last year, some of our Fellows on their own initiative and at their own expense visited two countries in the Pacific region to address a Scientific Seminar and hold talks with Health Department authorities. Full details of this splendid event were reported in the last issue of the Newsletter under the heading "A project which just happened". Stimulated by the success of this ad hoc activity, the Board has set up a Committee to examine and report on the feasibility of pursuing this and related activities on an official level. To this end several projects are currently receiving consideration.

Firstly, there is the possibility of sending back-issues of Dental journals to Dental Schools, Dental Associations, Health Departments, etc. in the Asian-Pacific region, should they desire them. Already the Registrar has approached two neighbouring countries seeking their reaction to this proposal and has himself for some time been donating his own personal issues of the Australian Dental Journal and the Journal of the American Dental Association. Apart from the value of recent publications, the receipt of back-issues of journals is often welcomed by librarians as it enables them to complete any broken series of publications on their stacks. If Fellows of the College wish to participate in this project, the Registrar would be delighted to hear about it.

Secondly the Committee will be investigating the feasibility of sending Australasian scholars to lecture to appropriate professional groups in emerging countries which initially would be in the Asian-Pacific region. It would be possible for the College to meet the cost involved in sending carefully selected lecturers and clinicians to this region in order to speak on topics appropriate to the level of development of the particular country concerned. At this stage, the College would prefer to take the initiative in the selection of scholars, but once under way and depending on the success of the venture, other arrangements may be considered.

As a corollary to this, it has been suggested that the reverse may also be possible in that perhaps selected academics in the Dental Schools of the region could visit our Australasian Schools for short periods at a time. They are sure to be well received not only by our Schools but also by our Fellows who would undoubtedly, if asked, offer private accommodation during the visitation. The value of such a project is immeasurable and with the full co-operation of the Fellows it would not be too much of a financial burden on the College.

If these ideas and ideals were to be fulfilled, not only would we be meeting one of the important goals of the College, but we would be living up to the basic concept of its being truly international, not only in name but also in deed - or more precisely, to use a Latin quotation, "Dedis non Verbis".

Kenneth Sutherland

JOURNAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The College is planning to provide to Dental Schools in the Asian-Pacific region copies of unneeded Journals.

The College is aware of several schools which would be very appreciative of past copies of dental journals.

These journals could be of any type, e.g. Journals of the Australian New Zealand or American Dental Associations or those covering more specific areas such as Prosthetics, Oral Surgery and so on.

In fact any Journals or Year Books of Dentistry would be more than welcome.

If you have Journals or Year Books which you wish to discard, please let the Registrar know and a use will be found for them.

We hope you can assist and it will only cost you a letter to the Registrar.

Journals sent to Tonga

The College has despatched to the Dental Service in the Kingdom of Tonga a series of Australian and American Dental Journals.

OBITUARY: CYRIL de VERE GREEN 4th April, 1983

Fellows who were fortunate enough to know Cyril de Vere Green of London will be saddened by his recent death.

Cyril was a Past President of the College (1978-1979) having served for years as an I.C.D. Councilman for the European Section of which he also was a Past President.

Born in 1903, he graduated LDSRCS (Eng) from Guy's in 1932 and then went to Canada where he took his DDS at Toronto University. It was in Toronto that he met and married his beloved Bertha who sadly predeceased him.

On his return from Canada he accepted a teaching appointment at University College Hospital and in 1967 he became Dean of the Dental School. He served for four years in the Royal Army Dental Corps in World War II, and was in private practice in London at the time of his retirement from active dentistry.

Cyril was President of many dental Societies. He was the first recipient of the Elmer Best Award of the Pierre Fauchard Academy in 1973. He was a devoted family man and shared his hobbies of cataraman sailing, fast speed boating and constructing and sailing radio controlled boats with his immediate family and his seven grandchildren. He collected and repaired an amazing collection of musical boxes which he donated to the Utrecht Museum. Not only was he the Founder of the Musical Box Society of Great Britain but he lectured on his hobby throughout the world. We will miss his planned tour of Australia later this year.

Perhaps his most practical hobby was that of flying when, whilst holding a private pilot's licence, he became a member of the Medical Pilots' Association in 1961. He has been a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Fanmakers and a Freeman of the City of London.

Cyril represented the Australasian Section of the College Annual General Meeting in 1982.

Cyril was a great source of inspiration to those who knew him. He shared his vast knowledge of so many aspects of life with those who were pleased to listen. A fine raconteur, an outstanding speaker of great charm and wit, he was a friend who will be sadly missed especially by those who were privileged to know him well.

A.G.R.

CONVOCATION, BRISBANE, MAY 1985.

Fellows are advised that the next Convocation will be held at the time of the 24th Australian Dental Congress in Brisbane. Convocation will be on Sunday 12th May in the afternoon and followed by a Reception Cocktail Party. Venue has yet to be finalised.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

The following Fellows of the College have been recognised for their services to dentistry:

Dr. Derek Freeman, A.M.
Dr. Colin Wall, M.B.E.

Dr. Max Kenny, A.M.
Dr. Alan Watson, A.M.

The College President, Ken Sutherland has also been awarded an Honorary D.D.Sc. (Western Australia).

The College extends congratulations to these Fellows.

PASSING OF FELLOWS

P. Raymond Begg, A.O. Orthodontist of Adelaide died in January. Ray, or "Tick" as he was more widely known, made a monumental contribution to the science and art of orthodontics. He developed a brilliant technique for orthodontic treatment which bears his name as recognition by his peers. Few people have made such an outstanding contribution to dentistry. The College was richer by his presence and saddened by the loss. Our sympathy has been conveyed to Mrs. Begg and members of the family.

Max Kenny, A.M. Indooroopilly, Queensland, died suddenly in March. Max was beloved by all who knew him and epitomised the ideal professional man. Tributes to Max will appear in other places but here we record the loss of a very dear colleague who possessed and professed the highest ideals of the Dental Profession and of the College. Our sympathy goes to his wife Shona and family.

COLLEGE PUBLICATIONS FROM CENTRAL OFFICE

Roster. The Roster of Fellows is published every second year, the last being the 1981 Edition. The proof for the 1983 Roster has been corrected and according to information should be mailed from the Central Office of the College in the near future.

Newsletter. The last issue of the College Newsletter titled 1981-1982 should have been received by Fellows prior to Christmas. Please advise if you did not receive your copy from the Central Office and a replacement will be arranged.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS (AUSTRALASIAN SECTION)

The Executive Officers of the Section met in Sydney on 3rd February, 1983. The opportunity presented to hold such a meeting as two of the officers, resident interstate, were in Sydney for another commitment.

The following items are reported for the information of Fellows: -

1. Constitution. The Constitution was discussed in detail and certain modifications and alterations considered. An amended version will be finalised shortly.
2. The Students Clinic project which was initiated by the College has now been taken over by the Dentsply Company in co-operation with the A.D.A. The College noted with satisfaction the excellence of the presentations and the enthusiastic response to the clinics in Perth.
3. Finance. The Treasurer reported a bank balance of \$2580, and Building Society account of \$6500.
4. A full meeting of the Board of Regents will be held early 1984.
5. Membership Statistics for the Section -

Dues paying	157
Honorary	1
Life	17
	175

The Section pays an amount of US\$10 to the Central Office of the College for each dues paying member.

6. The following Fellows were transferred to Life Members - E. Bastian, E. Deane, E. Fanning, B. Lindsay, A. McKay all from Australia, and G. Leslie and T. Logan from New Zealand.

NEWS OF FELLOWS

Ken Sutherland - our President. Ken retired as Professor of Dental Science at the University of W.A. on 31st December 1982 with the title of Emeritus Professor which was bestowed upon him by the Senate of the University. Although now retired he is still actively pursuing many dental interests in W.A. and elsewhere. He will continue to be President of the Dental Board of W.A. and last November was elected Chairman of the newly established Australian Dental Examining Council (A.D.E.C.) which replaces C.O.P.Q. Others on the Executive Committee of the Council are Noel Martin, John Dawkins and Eric Gee, all Fellows of the College. Ken is still Dean of the W.A. College of Dental Science and will complete his lecture course in Oral Medicine and Oral Surgery this year in an honorary capacity. This year, for the 15th time, he acted as General Examiner for the Final Examinations of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons, and on 16th March, by invitation, delivered an address at the Annual Meeting of Convocation of the University of W.A. Finally on 18th May he will deliver the Ernest Joske Oration at the School of Dental Science in Melbourne, the last Joske Oration having been given by Sir Benhamin Rank in 1984! Ken still holds the international positions of Consultant to the F.D.I. and member of the Dental Education Committee of the Asian-Pacific Federation.

24th Australian Dental Congress - Jim Croker has been appointed President, and Geoff Grundy Secretary.

Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons - Bob Norton, President; Stan Kings, Vice-President; Dick King (N.Z.) Censor-in-Chief; George Wing, Secretary/Registrar and Earle Bastian, Executive Officer.

Australian Dental Association - congratulations to Stan Kings on his election to the Federal Presidency. All members of the Federal Executive are Fellows of the College: Neil Henry, Spyros Halikis, Trevor Martin, John Southwick. This is the first occasion on which a West Australian (Spyros) who was elected Federal Treasurer has achieved this status!

Bill Winspear (inducted Perth 1982) has been appointed Deputy Superintendent of the United Dental Hospital of Sydney. The hospital is now recognised as a full teaching Hospital in N.S.W. attached to Sydney University.

George Wing (inducted Perth 1982) Head of Department of Operative Dentistry, University of Sydney visited Singapore Dental School as External Examiner in March 1983. This is the second occasion on which he has been invited to act in this capacity.

South Australian Fellows of the College have continued to play important roles in the profession and the community in South Australia. At the biennial elections for the Dental Board of S.A. November 1982, John Day, Kevin Moore and John Myhill were re-elected. Owen Makinson is a member of the Board as nominee of the Faculty of Dentistry while Bruce Lindsay is the nominee of the Australian Medical Association. The Board elected John Day as its President, an office he has held with distinction for 19 years. John Day, Bruce Lindsay and Elizabeth Fanning have been elected to Honorary Life Membership of the Australian Dental Association (S.A. Branch). Fred Henning has completed a year's term as President of the S.A. Branch. John Thonard has retired after 3 years as Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry in the University of Adelaide.

During the past year the S.A. Government established South Australian Dental Services to manage the Dental Hospital, School Dental Services and most of the other State-owned Dental Services. John Myhill and John Lavis were appointed to the Board of Management and Hugh Kennare was made Chief Executive Officer.

Graham Mount has become a leading figure in continuing education in Australia having been reappointed as Chairman of the A.D.A. Education Committee and also Chairman of the Post-graduate Committee in Dentistry of the University of Adelaide. He has been recently involved in planning and arranging the extended courses in dental ceramics by John Maclean, a Fellow of the College from the United Kingdom.

John Irwin has been appointed Consultant (Dental Services) for the Department of Veteran Affairs in South Australia.

Ren Newbury is still heavily involved with the F.D.I. - being the Treasurer.

New Zealand Fellows Paul Swinburn and Clive Ross were recently appointed to the Dental Council of New Zealand. Pat Noakes, formerly of Auckland, has retired to Surfers Paradise. Clive Ross has also been elected to F.D.I. Council - Clive is the first Kiwi to be elected to the governing council of international dentistry. John Howie is President-elect of NZDA.

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MEMBERSHIP AS AT OCTOBER 1982

SECTION	ACTIVE	LIFE	HON.	TOTAL
*1 U.S.A.	3150	500	25	3675
*2 Canada	226	47	5	278
*3 Mexico	154	3	3	160
*4 South America	188	2		190
*5 Europe	416	20		436
*21 India	130			130
22 Hong Kong, Korea, Taiwan	82			82
23 Southeast Asia	19			19
24 Pakistan	20	1		21
*25 Japan	321	4		325
27 South Africa	2			2
28 Central Africa	2			2
*29 Australia	158	13		171
*30 Philippines	39	12	2	53
*31 Middle East	72	2		74
32 Central America & Panama	16	2		18
35 South Asian Pacific	39	1		40
	5034	607	35	5676

Autonomous Section

Section 22 and 35 are eligible for Autonomy

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