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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In so far as the Australasian Section of the College is concerned, history was made this year when, during the 12th Biennial Conference of the New Zealand Dental Association, the very first induction ceremony and meeting of the College ever to be held in New Zealand, took place in Auckland on 15th August.

But it was not without its teething problems, because our trans Tasman colleagues, with little previous experience and therefore unmindful of the dignity associated with such occasions, had arranged for this ceremony to take the form of a buffet luncheon beside the swimming pool in the Sheraton Auckland Hotel. Added to the problem was a previously unrecognized conflict with a formal N.Z.D.A. ladies luncheon, and one of the traditions of College meetings is that Fellows wives are always included.

However, by a rare stroke of good fortune, the Manager of the Hotel where both the Biennial and College functions were held, happened to have been a senior executive of the Sheraton Perth Hotel at the time of the 23rd Australian Dental Congress, and as Chairman of the Organising Committee I had become well acquainted with him. Consequently, a seemingly insuperable situation was readily solved, and the venue for the meeting was relocated to Partington's restaurant in the hotel, so-named because it occupied the site of an historic landmark in Auckland called Partington's Mill and was without doubt the most elegant of the hotel's dining rooms.

But the problem didn't rest there, because the previous estimate of some 50 guests had to be approximately halved due to the conflicting ladies' function. This prompted the business-minded restaurant manager to inform me in no uncertain terms only 1½ hours before the meeting was scheduled to begin that, because of the reduced number, the restaurant would have to be opened to the public as well - an utterly unacceptable situation for a formal ceremony. The unrelenting executive, therefore left me no alternative but to make an approach to the fountain head, and with minimal trauma, the matter was quickly resolved.

The result was a memorable sit-down luncheon with some 25 guests attending. In an atmosphere of chandeliers, gold and red plush decor an excellent meal was followed by a formal ceremony during which five outstanding New Zealand dentists - Dexter Bambery, Peter Collins, Bernie Hoskins, Ted Simpson and Tom Speed were admitted into the College. Following an address of welcome, a brief history of the College was recited after which Fellow Paul Swinburn read out the citations of the candidate to be presented. Another able assistant during these formalities was Fellow John Howie, President of the N.Z.D.A., who assisted with the presentation of a Certificate, key, lapel bar and copy of the Constitution to each candidate. Photographs were taken of each presentation and the entire function, described by at least one generous Fellow as the highlight of his New Zealand trip, took little over an hour.

During the last 12 months, meetings of Fellows of the Section have been held throughout Australia and in New Zealand, and it is to be sincerely hoped that henceforth, in both these countries, annual meetings will continue to be held. New Zealand now has a viable number of some 23 Fellows with more in the pipeline to be inducted at the next Convocation, which will be held in Brisbane at the time of the 24th Australian Dental Congress. Annual meetings of New Zealand Fellows can now therefore be confidently predicted.

Whilst recognizing that the College has many important objectives, most of which to date have been receiving only lip service, I believe that regularly held dinner meetings such as these will go a long way to activate the Section and give it a more meaningful purpose.

It is to be hoped therefore that these will become annual events and in thanking the Regents concerned for organising such successful meetings, I express my heartfelt gratitude, cognizant of the fact that this word "gratitude" has sometimes been defined as the midpoint between favours received and those anticipated!

KEN SUTHERLAND
President

CONSTITUTION

Enclosed is a copy of the newly adopted Constitution of the Australasian Section. The Board hopes that this will prove valuable additional information to Fellows.

CONVOCATION 1985

Convocation will be held at the time of the A.D.A. Congress in Brisbane, 1985.
Sheraton Hotel, Brisbane --- Sunday, 12th May, 1985 2.00pm to 4.30pm
Induction Ceremony to be followed by President's Reception.
Book this in your diary now - details after Christmas.

STOP PRESS

Federal A.D.A. Officers for 1984 - 86, who are Fellows:

President: Neil Henry
Vice President: Spyros Halikis
Treasurer: John Southwick
Executive Officers: Trevor Martin

Congratulations to the New Officers and commiserations to your wives.

Congratulations to Stan Kings for a job very well done as A.D.A. Federal President and our appreciation to Heather for being such a wonderful ambassador.

NEW FELLOWS

Since the last Newsletter invitations to become Fellows have been issued and accepted by the following members of the profession.

NEW ZEALAND

The following were inducted at a Luncheon Meeting of College held on 15th August in Auckland during the Biennial Conference of the N.Z.D.A.

Dexter D. Bambery - a general practitioner from Wellington with an interest in Oral Surgery who holds an F.D.S., R.C.S. (Eng.) and F.R.A.C.D.S. He has served on many dental committees and is a member of Rotary.

Peter Collins - a general practitioner in Auckland who is currently Assistant Secretary of N.Z.D.A. and Chairman of Peer Review Committee, member of Rotary and an F.D.I. consultant.

Bernie Hoskin - a Past-President of N.Z.D.A. who has served his profession for many years. Past-President Auckland Branch of N.Z.D.A. A gentleman who has served the community as a general practitioner and a citizen.

Edward Simpson - a general practitioner of Dunedin who holds an M.D.S. and F.R.A.C.D.S. Past-President of Otago Branch where he has served on many committees.

Tom Speed - at present Secretary of N.Z.D.A. Council also President-Designate (congratulations Tom) and has represented N.Z.D.A. on many committees. A general practitioner from Auckland.

Two other Kiwis have accepted Fellowship and will be inducted at the Convocation in Brisbane, May 1985.

Laurie Croson - a specialist periodontist from Palmerston North who has gained his F.R.A.C.D.S. by examination. He has been extremely active in N.Z.D.A. and F.D.I. affairs.

Ken Gillespie - general practitioner of Christchurch who has been President of the Canterbury Branch. He has served on the Peer Review Committee and Dental Technician Training Council.

One other who is so busy we cannot yet arrange a time for induction:

Terry Cutress B.D.S. (London), L.D.S.R.C.S. (Eng.), M.S. (Rochester), Ph. D. (London), F.R.A.C.D.S. - that speaks for itself. Terry is Director of the Dental Research Unit of N.Z. Medical Research Council, also Chairman of F.D.I. Commission on Oral Health, Research and Epidemiology. He has written numerous papers and has conducted many research studies. No wonder we cannot catch up with him.

To all these new Fellows from New Zealand warmest welcome to the College.

AUSTRALIA

President Ken hopes to formally induct the following Fellows at the Brisbane Convocation:

Ken Adkins - Dean Faculty of Dentistry University of Queensland, who was granted a personal chair by the Senate. B.D.Sc., M.D.Sc., Ph. D., (all from Queensland). A Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists (London) and a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons.

Brian Crisp - an orthodontist of Adelaide who has been an active teacher at Adelaide Dental School and has served on many dental committees. He holds an M.D.S. and F.R.A.C.D.S.

Gerald (Gerry) Dickinson, M.D.S. and F.R.A.C.D.S. an orthodontist in Melbourne, has an active interest in teaching (Anatomy, Dental Therapy School and Department of Orthodontics). Recently Chairman of the A.S.O. Congress held in Melbourne.

Barry Feiglin - B.D.Sc., (1970), Ph. D. (1974), (both from Melbourne), F.R.A.C.D.S. A brilliant academic who has presented numerous lectures and clinics in many parts of the world.

Denis Hagarty - B.D.Sc. (Queensland), who conducts a general practice in Townsville with great interest in orthodontics. He was the main driving force in the Townsville area for fluoridation - a battle fought and well won in the sixties.

Bob Henry - another orthodontist - is a takeover on? B.D.S., M.D.S. and D.D.Sc., (all Sydney), F.R.A.C.D.S. Served in R.A.A.E. 1944-47 then entered specialist practice. At present is Federal President of the Australian Society of Orthodontists.

John Irwin - B.D.S. (Adelaide 1957) a general practitioner who for many years was a part-time tutor in Operative Dentistry at University of Adelaide. Served in R.A.N. Now member of Adelaide Legacy Club, former President A.D.A. (S.A. Branch).

Richard Kelleway - general practitioner of Annerley, Queensland. Holds M.D.Sc. (Qld.), D.M.D. (Alabama) and a Diploma - Children's Dentistry (Rochester), has done considerable research and is an active teacher at Queensland Dental School.

Ivan Klineberg - B.D.S., M.D.S., B.Sc., Ph. D., also F.D.S.R.C.S. and F.R.A.C.D.S. Professor of Prosthetic Dentistry at Sydney University. He has written numerous papers and conducted many research projects.

John Muller - B.D.Sc. (1954), F.R.A.C.D.S. (1968 by examination), a general practitioner in Wilston (Qld). Has an active interest in teaching at the Dental School, Dental Therapist Training Course and Dental Nurses Training Programmes. Long time Chairman of Queensland Coeliac Society and currently Vice-President of its Australia Council of Coeliac Societies.

NEW FELLOWS CONT'D....

Alexander (call me Alec) Plummer - a general practitioner of Adelaide who holds honorary appointments to numerous General and Children Hospitals. Past-President of A.D.A. (S.A. Branch) and former member of Dental Board of S.A., an active Legatee.

Charles Savage - Superintendent, United Dental Hospital of Sydney previously in general practice Sydney, New Zealand and United Kingdom. Active in R.A.A.D.S. since 1971 - rank of Major.

Ernest W. Wagner - M.B.E. registered in 1928 and over the years he has developed great expertise in Prosthetic Dentistry with special emphasis on occlusal dysfunction. After a life of dedicated service to the public through dentistry he is now partly retired.

NEWS OF FELLOWS

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Ken Sutherland attended the 12th Biennial Conference of the N.Z.D.A. in Auckland and on 15th August held a meeting and induction ceremony of the College at which five outstanding New Zealand dentists were formally admitted as Fellows.

At a recent meeting of the new Dental Board of W.A., Ken was again elected President for a fifth term of office. He has been a member of the Board for over 31 years and its President for the last thirteen.

The University Dental Students Society of W.A. recently elected Ken "Lecturer of the Year" and the title of his talk was "Reminiscences of a Former Dental Dean".

Spyros Halikis attended the recent F.D.I. meeting in Helsinki and in November will be attending the A.P.D.F. meeting in Hong Kong, after which he is taking a short tour of China.

John Prichard retired as Director of Dental Services in the State Health Department last July, when he was given a farewell luncheon organised by the Commissioner of Public Health at which several Fellows of the College were present. Following many years of private practice John was initially appointed Principal Dental Officer within the Health Department in 1968 since when he has made an outstanding contribution to dental services throughout the State and to the development of the School Dental Therapy Scheme. He and Tom Goodall are currently enjoying a spot of fishing off the Queensland coast, but on his return to Perth, John will again attend Dental Board meetings, having been reappointed by the Minister for another 3 year term. We wish him and his wife Olive a long and happy retirement.

John Dallimore and Denis Cosgrove attended the 12th Biennial Conference of the N.Z.D.A. and were also among the 25 guests present at the College luncheon meeting.

Ray Owen and John Lewis were appointed to the Dental Board of W.A. for a 3 year term of office as from August. This will be Ray's second term on the Board.

Bob Turner attended a meeting of the American Society of Periodontology held in New Orleans in September.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Two Fellows of the College were elected to Dental Board of N.S.W. for the first time - Don Heffron and Peter Barnard congratulations to them both. They join four of the Fellows who are also on the Board - Eric Gee (President again), Noel Martin, Andrew Vern-Barnett and Bob Norton.

Bob Henry, one of our new Fellows, is Federal President of the Australian Society of Orthodontists.

Seen at F.D.I. Meeting in Helsinki - Reg Hession, Terry Royse-Smith, Peter Barnard and Bob Norton.

Two of our Fellows ventured to the Flinders Range and parts Centre in their Kombivans. Everything went according to plan and a good time was had by Earle Bastian, Warwick Read and their wives. We hear Warwick acquired the name of "Tiger of Wongara" - an explanation is required - was Earle to blame or have they moved from Tasmania.

David Southan recently presented a paper entitled "Growing Old Gracefully"; it was excellent and really boosted the sagging ego of many present. A response was provided by John Southwick who gave an excellent play on words. All good stuff and something which might yet get wider coverage.

Congratulations Fellows.

VICTORIA

Ren Newbury had a hard-working session in London and Helsinki as President-Elect of F.D.I. and also attended the New Zealand Dental Association Biennial Conference.

Stan Kings was also present at both and is now looking to some respite after a hectic two years of office. Well done Stan.

Vin Amerena represented the Army on the Military Commission at Helsinki, while Doug Loader took over as President of the Dental Board. Peter Finch tied in a trip to Singapore with the Darwin Convention but did not make a take-over offer for the casinos.

Effie Ehrmann has reduced his workload and is now employed in his old practice on a shorter week programme.

Bob Cook has been scuba-diving in Vanuatu, while Bruce Levant tried out some hot-air ballooning and Norman Webster some gliding.

NEWS OF FELLOWS CONT'D....

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

On 28th September Dr. Hugh Kennare retired as Chief Executive Officer of the South Australia Dental Service, bringing to a close a long and most distinguished career in public health dentistry.

After war service in No. 79 Fighter Squadron R.A.A.F., Hugh Kennare entered the Dental School of the University of Adelaide, graduating in 1950. He spent a total of 14 years in private practice, 2 as a dental officer in Wewak, and a year in hospital practice before becoming the first superintendent of the School Dental Service in S.A.

He has been responsible for the professional development and management of the School Dental Service which has been acknowledged as the best programme of its kind in Australia and possibly the world. The Australian School Dental Scheme, introduced in 1973, was modelled on the S.A. School Dental Service. Dr. Kennare's professional outlook is indicated by the fact that while his ultimate goal has been to accent oral health rather than disease, he withstood all attempts to compromise quality of treatment for quantity while the service was being established. This principle has been maintained ever since.

In 1982 he was appointed the first Chief Executive Officer of the new South Australian Dental Service and has applied the same dedicated professional and managerial approach to the improvement of adult dental health.

We wish Hugh well in his retirement from an outstanding career which has been recognised in many parts of the world.

REPORT FROM MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF I.C.D.

The Executive Council of the College met in Montreal, Canada on 6th April. The Australian Section was represented by Brig Bill Thompson - immediate past-president of the C.D.A. The Section appreciates Bill's ready acceptance of this duty brought about by Gordon Rowell being unable to attend.

ELECTIONS

President: William J. Spence, Canada
President Elect: Prime E. Gonzales, Philippines
Vice President: James H. Ridlen, Western Springs
Treasurer: Daniel C. Kamas, Houston
Editor: William E. Hawkins, Phoenix
Secretary General: Franklin M. Kenward, Miami

These Officers take over from January 1, 1985 and complete their terms on December 31, 1985.

<u>SECTION:</u>	<u>NAME:</u>	<u>NUMBER:</u>	<u>SECTION:</u>	<u>NAME:</u>	<u>NUMBER:</u>
1.	U.S.A.	4,050	24.	Pakistan	18
2.	Canada	310	25.	Japan	361
3.	Mexico	165	26-28	Africa	4
4.	South America	310	29.	Australia	173
5.	Europe	505	30.	Philippines	60
21.	India	217	31.	Mid-East	65
22.	China	122	32.	Central America	17
23.	S. Asia	25	35.	South Pacific	43

The figures above total 6,445; however, as well as the gain in new members which is included in totals, there is attrition during the year.

COLLEGE JOURNAL

Some years ago, the College from its Central Office published a Scientific Journal.

This was discontinued due to excessive cost and resultant depletion of College funds.

Dental Abstracts which is published by the American Dental Association is the official publication and it is sent to all Members of the Pierre Fauchard Academy but not Fellows of the College.

This situation has caused some confusion - I hope this helps.

COLLEGE PROJECTS

Projects Sub-Committee of Derek Freeman, Gordon Rowell and Bob Norton met recently to develop an action plan for the Section. This envisaged providing dental education on a practical clinical basis to countries within our area. The plan was accepted in principle by the Regents and attempts are now being made to create suitable and productive contacts in various countries. Too early for details but we will keep you posted.

Our assistance to Tonga has been somewhat slowed by the absence overseas of the senior dental officer of the Tongan Health Department. Happy to report they are back at work so we will resume sending Journals and the two electric motors which I have had in store.

We have run into troubles with our assistance to the library at the Dental School of Burma. The Dental Association of Burma had arranged for our Section to send Journals and books through them to the library. Unfortunately, alteration of officers has produced a breakdown in communications.

We will keep trying; I have got to clear out my garage somehow.

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