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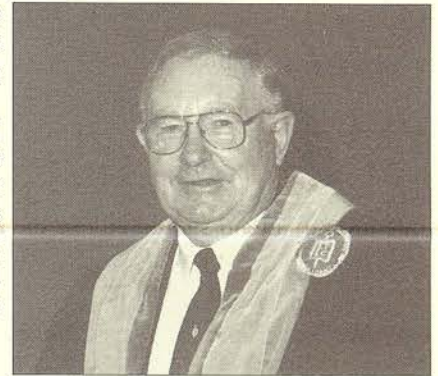
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is nearly three years since I was elected President of the Australasian Section of the International College of Dentists and it has been a most enjoyable time with many pleasant memories. I have been fortunate to attend functions in Sydney and New Zealand during the period when Induction Ceremonies were held.

Whenever I read the full curricula vitae of potential new Fellows, who are being submitted for consideration, I am amazed but proud when so few do so much to further the knowledge and understanding of our profession. With our small numbers, there can be no other profession served so well as by our 380 or so Fellows. The contributions of these Fellows are such that you really wonder how many of them get time to practise dentistry. The Perth Convocation provides a wonderful opportunity to recognise our new Fellows and to socialise with all those present and their families. I look forward to seeing as many as possible there.

W. D. Heffron. C.B.E.



EDITORIAL: "See you in Perth"

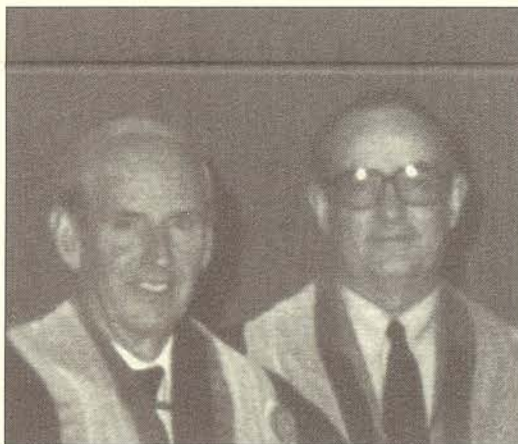
I am looking forward to the Perth Congress in March - the first opportunity since Hobart to make contact with my dental friends and colleagues from all over Australia and New Zealand. An opportunity to see a lot of you again at Convocation and to welcome the new Fellows into the College and to make more friends in dentistry.

Congress is the triennial showcase of Australian dentistry - the best opportunity to swap ideas and ideals - to listen to the newest techniques expounded by experts and to see and discuss with the top Dental Trade representatives the new materials and equipment. All this in a much more expansive environment than the many specialist and trade sponsored courses we attend throughout the year.

Enthusiasm for continuing education in all its facets is part of our responsibility as fellows of the International College. So while we convene in Perth, think on the future of our Australasian Section of the College and its future membership. We always need new members and younger members who require your sponsorship and nomination. Who are the new keen dentists - ethical and willing to contribute their knowledge, skills and time to further Australian and International Dentistry. Please tell us as here is the college future.

See you in Perth.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT



The Australasian Section of the College now numbers some 389 Fellows, including 61 from New Zealand, two from Fiji and one from Papua New Guinea - the latter to be inducted at the Convocation in Perth in March. The College sponsors a range of educational activities and seeks to provide assistance to our South Pacific neighbours whose nations form part of our Section. The Board of Regents will be considering a number of projects at their next meeting in March and suggestions from Fellows would be welcomed.

Two Fellows were honoured by the Australian Dental Association Inc at its Annual General Meeting in November 1997. Fellow Vin Amerena was awarded the ADA's Meritorious Service Award after many years of valuable Committee service coming on top of his past ADA service as President of the Victorian Branch. That irrepressible Tasmanian, Fellow Herb Hammer, was made an Honorary Life Member of the ADA - a most well-deserved award occurring, unusually, while he was mid-way through his term as Federal President of the Association. Both of these Fellows have given enormously to the profession.

Fellows Eric and Stan Kings have received a very significant award recently when they were made 'Alumni of Distinction' by the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry. Stan (Class of 1961) was in attendance and received the awards on behalf of his twin brother and himself - the first overseas alumni of Toronto to be so honoured.

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Know your Fellows....

(Left) Geoff Hall, Vice President and (right) Rob Butler, Registrar.

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Robert J.F. Butler

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Three of the current Board of Regents - Spyros Halikis (WA) L Peter Ryan (Qld) and Tom Speed (NZ) will be standing down at the end of their current term in March 1998. Following unopposed nomination, we welcome to the Board the following Regents who will assume office after the Perth Convocation: Dick Cook (WA), Gerry Dickinson (Vic) and Clive Ross (NZ). The full Board of Regents for the period 1998-2001 will be: R JF Butler, W E Chalmers, R G Cook, G R Dickinson, S Dobbins A.M., G C Hall, W D Heffron C.B.E., N.L.Henry A.M. and C.B.Ross C.N.Z.M.

Six new Fellows have been inducted over the past twelve months and it is expected that a further thirty will be inducted at the Convocation in Perth on 13 March 1998.

Robert J F Butler.

PERTH CONVOCATION

Fellows are reminded that the Convocation and Luncheon of the Australasian Section of the College will be held in Perth at the Hyatt Regency, 99 Adelaide Terrace, on Friday 13th March 1998.

The timetable will be as follows:

10.30a.m. Registration
11.00a.m. Induction Ceremony
12noon for 12.30p.m. Luncheon.

The cost will be \$55 per head and Fellows and their guests are most welcome. Any Fellow who has not yet indicated his/her intention to attend should advise the Registrar, Dr.RJF Butler, Fax: 02 9906 4412 without delay.

NOTICE :- Mail has gone astray !

If any fellow has forwarded to the Registrar an acknowledgment and a cheque for attendance at the ICD Convocation in Perth and has not received a receipt, please contact the Registrar: Dr. Robert Butler, 11 Highett Place Glenhaven 2156 Phone 02 9906 4412 Fax 02 9906 4917.

NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND

Legislative matters at present under review in New Zealand, and of interest to dentists, include Accident Compensation and 'who may take radiographs'. The probability is that in future all dentists will need an annual licence to take radiographs. The New Zealand Dental Association will hold its 19th Biennial Conference in Wellington 26-30 August 1998. It is hoped to arrange an ICD Convocation during the Conference.

Fellow Craig Fraser has retired from the position of National Facilitator for the Graduate Professional Development Programme. He was the first programme facilitator and its success over the last five years is due to his devotion to it. Fellow Robert Max, a specialist orthodontist, is now a member of the Executive of the World Federation of Orthodontists. Fellow Marsden Bell has retired from the position of director of the New Zealand Dental Insurance Society. He been a member of the board since 1979. Ted Simpson, the new Chairman of the Board, is also a Fellow.

At the FDI Meeting in Seoul in September 1997, Fellow Stewart Edward was elected secretary of the new FDI Section of Oral Health Promotion. Brent Stanley is a member of the Individual Membership Committee and Lawrie Crosson continues as Chairman of the Editors Section.

Tom Speed, Regent

WORLD DENTAL CONGRESS ~ SYDNEY 2003

January 1998

- Australian dentists are planning to attend the 29th Australian Dental Congress in Perth in March this year.
- The Organising Committee chairman (Dr. Eddie Street) and vice-chairmen (Drs Colin Rendell and Peter Clark Ryan) are making preliminary plans for the 30th Congress to be held in Brisbane in 2001.
- The World Dental Federation FDI conducts an initial site visit of facilities in Sydney for a Congress in 2003.

The FDI Council in May 1997 appointed Sydney as the venue and the ADA as host for the 91st. Annual World Dental Congress to be held in 2003. Sydney last hosted an FDI Congress in 1973. The Federal ADA and the NSW Branch have agreed that this will replace the ADA Congress for that year. The 1998 FDI Congress is being held in Barcelona in October.

Dr. Per Ake Zillen, FDI Executive Director and Mr. Paul Wilson, FDI Congress manager together with members of the Federal ADA Executive and Executive Director Dr. Robert Butler inspected the convention and exhibition facilities at Darling Harbour complex in order to assess which areas would be required for the FDI business meetings and congress. Both areas are being expanded and upgraded and connected to provide a world class venue with state of the art technology and multimedia facilities.

The Sydney Entertainment Centre was also inspected, as it is likely to be the venue for the opening ceremony.

Dr. Zillen with his wife Eva and Paul Wilson, hosted by Dr. Robert Butler and FDI speaker Dr Reg Hession, also had an opportunity to experience Australian hospitality and to sample the tourist attractions of not only Sydney but also of regional New South Wales.

With all this how could they not be impressed and confident that Sydney will be the site for a successful FDI World Dental Congress?

There will be other visits from FDI and a Local Organising Committee will be appointed but mark your diaries now for September 2003 for a Congress that will have a combination of Australian and International speakers, visitors and exhibitors.

David Thomson - Congress & Education Committee FDI

1997 INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

At the meeting in Kyongju, Lloyd Phillips of Indianapolis USA was elected President of the College for 1998. Dik Van de Harst becomes Past President. David Glynn of the U.K. became President elect and I, to my surprise was elected Vice President. There is no lobbying or asking beforehand. The Committee just makes a recommendation and it is accepted. The College numbers are growing well, and more countries are participating. We must continue to recruit more members, particularly the younger ones, suitably qualified. There is a need for more women members to be elected. Now that all dental faculties are graduating more women this should not be hard to do.

The next issue of the Globe will have a re-designed cover. China could not agree to Taiwan having its flag on the cover, even though Taiwan was a senior member.

In October a Vietnamese section was instituted when 20 members were inducted. No doubt it will grow. However, Vietnam will need the help of the whole College to arrange meetings and lecturers.

They are sadly lacking in many areas. Some members of our section have already been over there lecturing. Dick Shaffer our Registrar is resigning after ten years and Robert E Brady, DMD, FICD of Silver Spring, Maryland will take his place on 1st January 1999. Dick will be sadly missed. He and his wife Barbara are truly international people.

The meeting in Kyongju was well organised and the Korean section went out of its way to extend their hospitality. We owe them a big vote of thanks.

Syd Dobbin A M

Vice President. Chairman of Growth & Development ICD

STUDENT EXCHANGE 1997 ~ SINGAPORE - SYDNEY

Following the visit of Sydney Dental students Ann Duong and Stuart Deane to the National University of Singapore in July/August 1997, a group of five final year dental students from NUS Dental Faculty spent their September holidays from 14th to 30th at Sydney University. The group comprised Geraldine Oh, ChongChian Ee, Christopher Quek, Marina Teh and Tan Chuan Sien. The first two students were sponsored by the International College of Dentists, Australian Dental Association, Pierre Fauchand Academy and Sydney University Dental Alumni Society.

The Students were welcomed by the Dean, Professor Klineberg and the Vice-Dean Professor Thomas. They visited the Faculty at the United Dental Hospital and the clinical Facility at Westmead where they attended post graduate clinics in removable prosthodontics and sedation which they found most interesting and stimulating.

During their tour of the Sydney Faculty they noted a number of differences in emphasis especially with regard to the teaching of Orthodontics (more in Singapore) dental assistant utilisation versus the Singapore students assisting each other, the patients supplied (Singapore students mainly find their own who pay) and the more leisurely pace in Sydney with no Saturday commitment. They remarked on their good fortune in having one centralised location for all departments.

They enjoyed the Primary Oral Care Clinic with the opportunity to treat dental emergencies, the phantom heads in the Endodontics technique class and their visit with Professor Murray Walker in Oral Pathology.

Tom Boland, President of the Dental Alumni Society and his wife Dr. Catherine Hong entertained all the students at their home and on their boat cruising Sydney Harbour.

They enjoyed the exchange very much clinically socially and culturally and would recommend it to all students. We join them in thanking Professor Klineberg, Professor Thomas, Professor Walker and his secretary Ms. Bahari for their help and assistance with all aspects of the exchange and Tom Boland and Catherine for their gracious hospitality.

They also express their gratitude to their own Dean Professor Chew Chong, Dr. Jennifer Neo and Miss. Sophia Wong for their organisation of the Singapore end of the exchange. They acknowledge the sponsorship of the International College of Dentists, Australian Dental Association, Pierre Fauchand Academy and the Dental Alumni for making the whole project possible.

OBITUARY ~ *Dr. Kevin Reginald Allen*

Kevin Allen died suddenly on the tennis court on Saturday 8th November 1997. He left behind a great sense of loss amongst his family and his many friends. He still had lots to do and was beginning a new career in International Dentistry following retirement from active private practice after 40 years.

Kevin was already an International dentist. After graduating in Adelaide in 1952 he studied Paedodontics at Indiana. He returned to set up a very successful Paedodontic practice in Adelaide where he also taught as a member of Faculty for most of his practicing life instructing both graduate and under graduate students. He lectured and demonstrated widely in Australia and Overseas in the U S , India, China, Vietnam and other South East Asian countries.

Kevin had an abiding interest in clinical practice and spent more time than most on continuing education both for his own benefit as well as the benefit of his students and patients.

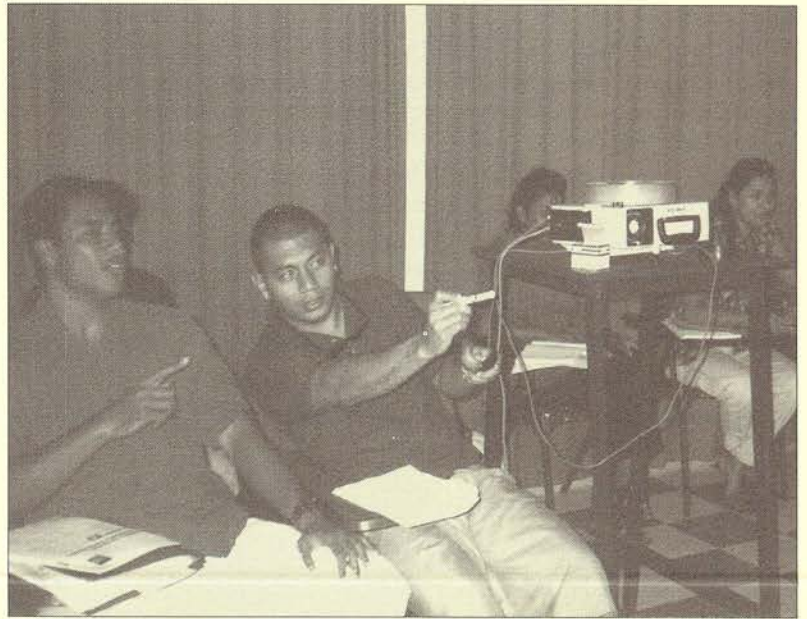
He loved children - his own as well as others and had instant rapport with them. He served as chairman of the Lady Gowrie Kindergarten for many years and was a keen member of the Adelaide Rotary Club.

Kevin was a good sportsman and a gifted musician as many of us found out at National and International dental meetings. Recently he had reconvened one of his old musical groups to play at retirement homes and on other occasions for the oldies.

He was presently Regent for Australasia for the Academy of Dentistry International - a Vice - President of the International body and was expected to become its World President in 1999.

While we mourn his premature death, we celebrate his life - a worthy International dentist. We will miss him but our thoughts and deepest sympathy go to Marion and his family.

FIJI NEWS



These photographs show the formal handing over of the clinical projector we gave to the School of Dentistry in Fiji. International Councillor Syd Dobbin A.M. presents the projector to Joancini Tuisuva head of the School and some students observe the slide presentation with interest.

10th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DENTAL TRAUMATOLOGY

The International Association of Dental Traumatology in conjunction with the Australian Society of Endodontology Incorporated is running the 10th International Conference on Dental Traumatology in Melbourne, Australia between the dates of the 19th and 21st of March 1999. This conference which will be held at the Melbourne Convention Centre, promises to be truly educational and at the same time very exciting.

Eight overseas lecturers as well as 11 national lecturers have been invited and in addition to this there is adequate room on the program for free papers and poster displays.

Together with this formal program there is a really Australian social program.

Brochures are available from the organising Committee:

Dr Barry Feiglin (Chairman), 517 St Kilda Road, Melbourne 3004, Australia. Phone: 61 3 9866 4528; Facsimile: 61 3 9820 3102.

Dr Steven Cohn, 60 Park Street, Sydney 2000, Australia. Phone: 61 2 9267 3908; Facsimile: 61 2 9261 3880.

Dr Geoff Heithersay, 188 North Terrace, Adelaide 5000, Australia. Phone: 61 8 8212 4343; Facsimile: 61 8 8410 0709.

Dr John McNamara, 225 Wickham Terrace, Brisbane 4000, Australia. Phone: 61 7 3839 3905; Facsimile: 61 7 3839 0058.

AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS

Congratulations to Syd Warnake, Member of the Order of Australia - a well deserved honour in recognition of exceptional service as Victorian State President (twice) and Congress President for the last Melbourne Congress. A long service to State and Federal Dentistry, which deserved recognition by his colleagues and his community.

Vic West of Melbourne was also awarded Membership of the Order of Australia for his services to dental education and orthodontics.

PERSONALIA - CONGRATULATIONS

Bruce Drysdale and Lloyd O'Brien were inducted as Fellows of the American College of Dentistry in Washington during the American Dental Association meeting in 1997.

At the same meeting Effie Ehrmann was awarded a Fellowship of the American College of Dentists in absentia.

Bill Chalmers and wife Anne enjoyed their trip to Washington, New York and the North Eastern seaboard of U S A for the American Dental Association Congress and the terrific Autumn colours.

~ THAT'S NOT MY JOB ~

"This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody,

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it, But Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have."