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cedure in primary vs. permanent teeth. The result of the discussion was that the Dental Care Committee should go to CDS to find out their position on these matters.

Chairperson Kent Payne filed the Peer Review Committee report. Then discussed the current posture of Peer Review. That being the review would entail a clinical evaluation of a dentist filing higher than 90th percentile fees. The evaluation would determine the pedodontists superiority to other pedodontists in the State and would not at all evaluate the fee itself.

- Professional Activities Committee report by Win Edie showed that seven table clinics will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Edie then informed the Board that Jim McInaney has approached his committee on the possibility of some financial support for a research project he has undertaken. Weis, Fitzsimmons MSP that the Society consider funding research projects. McInaney then outlined his project concerning stability of arch expansion. Fitzsimmons, Barber MSP that CSPD fund this project \$500 for one year. That these funds be used to underwrite expenses of x-ray documentation. Further, that any published report acknowledge this sponsorship.
- A Roster of members names will be revised and distributed every three years and an annual supplement will be sent out

ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS (other than the clinicians, speakers and personal activities)

- Treasurer's Report - Charles Spitz

Previous Balance	\$ 8,611.69
Revenue Received	14,103.00
Expenditures	<u>1,371.27</u>

Balance as of 3/26/77 \$21,253.42. *(This balance does not reflect the payment of the meeting expenses.)*

- Constitution and By-Laws Amendments Passed:
 1. Any member in default of payment of dues by March 31st of each calendar year shall be suspended.
 2. Number and Term of Directors - The business, property and affairs of this Society shall be managed by a Board of Directors composed of fourteen (14) members, the Society including the elected officers, and the immediate past president. At the next Annual Meeting, six (6) directors are to be elected. Three (3) for a one-year term and three (3) for a two-year term. Three (3) will be from Northern California and three (3) from Southern California. At subsequent annual meetings, four (4) directors will be elected for a two-year term, equally divided between Northern and Southern California.
 3. Previously distributed proposal by Weyland Lum that the president-elect shall have served on the Board of Directors for at least one year prior to holding office.

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Rolf Spamer, Hayward; '79
Richard Therrell, Los Angeles; '78
Phil Trask, Santa Monica; '78
John Groper, Los Angeles; '79
John Fitzsimmons, Concord; '78

- Three new members were elected to the Nominating Committee: Ernie Horany of Downey; Kent Payne of Covina; and Keith Ryan of San Jose.

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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT-- *Edward S. Mack, DDS*

Dear Members of CSPD:

I just returned from the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Pedodontics which met in Bal Harbour, Florida, over the Memorial Day weekend. Some of the decisions at the meeting will interest you so I'll try to bring you up to date as best I can.

As you know, the Academy was to select two terms from the following three entries: Pedodontics, Pediatric Dentistry and Dentistry for Children. Pedodontics and Pediatric Dentistry are the winners. But do not do anything about it yet. Please remember this decision must be ratified as the ADA meeting in the Fall. Only then will it be ethical for any of us to call himself/herself a Pediatric Dentist on his/her stationary.

At the Academy meeting the membership gave the go-ahead to Regionalization of the Academy. I hope its decision proves a wise one but I personally have reservations about it. For one thing, I fear it will spoil the great national meetings that the Academy has been putting on the past few years. Regional meetings are bound to cause many of us to skip the annual "big one" and, of course, this means that in time it won't be so big and that, I feel, will be a loss. The Academy has a good thing going just the way it is.

Furthermore, we in California already have our own great organization, namely: our California Society of Pediatric Dentists. It is my hope that regionalization of the Academy furthers the goals and functions of CSPD. Our region will consist of the following States: *Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.*

The Academy intends to have each region represented on its Board of Directors by 2 representatives. Our region at this time, has Dr. Thompson M. Lewis of Washington '78 and J. David Gaynor '79 of California. Since Tom Lewis will be leaving the Board next year, we should soon help choose a successor (probably from one of the neighboring states of our region, since Dave Gaynor is from our state).

I am going to call a meeting of representatives from the states of our region during the big ASDC-IADC meeting in July-August this year in San Francisco.

Incidentally, I hope all of you are planning to come to the convention. It will be held at the St. Francis Hotel from July 31 until noon on August 4. Outstanding speakers such as: Ralph W. Phillips, USA; Roy M. Wolff, USA; David R. Avery, USA; Erik Kisling, Denmark; Goran Koch, Sweden; Raymond Pauly, Costa Rica; Denise Boue, France; and many, many more will be presented.

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Since we are all members of ASDC, for your convenience, I am including in this publication a registration from to this outstanding meeting.

Cordially,

Edward S. Mack, President

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BRINGING YOU UP TO DATE ON SPECIALTY LICENSURE.....

Doctors Ed Mack and Keith Ryan attended the open hearing regarding specialty licensure in California. Doctors Mack and Ryan went on record as opposing specialty licensure in California. One of the attending doctors was in favor of specialty licensure. Most of the input at the hearing was from members of other dental specialties.

Dr. Mack had the impression that the reasons for not taking action made as much sense to the Board as did those reasons for "doing something." He stated that there is a good chance that the Board may decide to leave well enough alone. Those members who talked too long, he felt, did themselves and their positions some damage. Others, of course, spoke briefly and to the point. Dr. Mack hopes that he may be grouped with the latter.

He felt that our specialty has a certain unique quality. In a way, it could be said that we do general dentistry for a limited age group. However, some fine dentistry for children is delivered by the well trained generalist. In fact, the bulk of pedodontics is probably performed by the family dentist. This fact, plus the observation that more than a quarter of known pedodontists already practice in our state, causes no shortage of dentists for the children of California. We need no additional specialists in California to reduce the patient load. A free flow of out-of-state specialists to California would worsen, not better, the situation. He felt that the board members were very interested in this explanation.

LATE - LATE NOTE.....

Subsequently, according to Dr. David Good, this proposal which was made by the Consumer Advocate, was defeated by the Board of Dental Examiners.

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27TH ANNUAL CALIFORNIA PEDODONTIC RESEARCH CONFERENCE - Donald J. Dal Porto, DDS

The 27th Annual California Pedodontic Research Conference was held at La Costa Resort in Carlsbad, California on April 28 through May 1, 1977.

An excellent program on myofunctional therapy and mixed dental treatment was given by Dr. William Proffit, the Chairman of the Department of Orthodontics, School of Dentistry, University of North Carolina.

Dr. Roger Sanger, Chairman of Division of Oral Diagnosis, Oral Medicine, Oral Radiology, University of Colorado School of Dentistry, also gave a very informative lecture on the "Oral Manifestations of Common Systemic Diseases in Children."

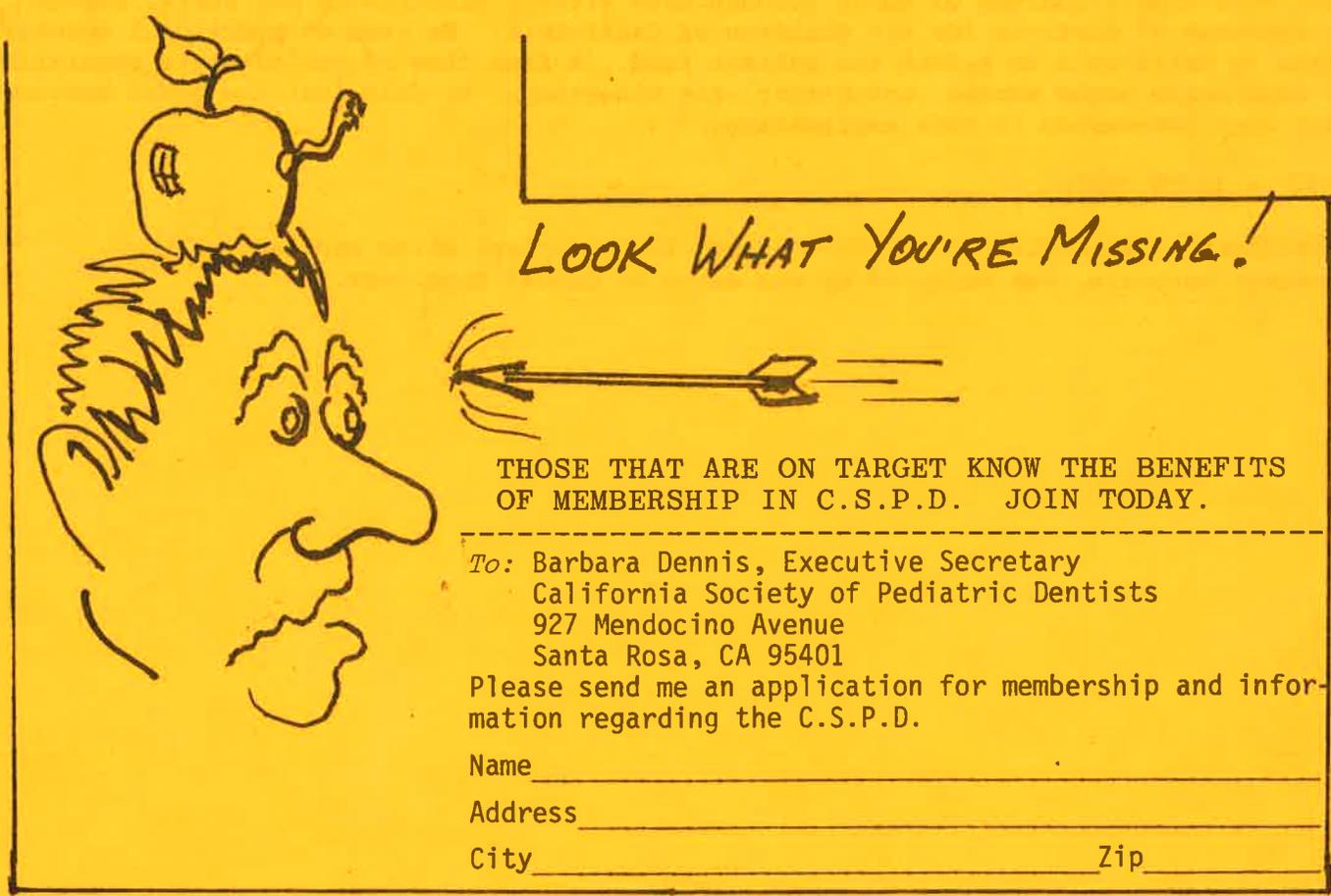
A large number of CSPD members were in attendance, including Past President Weyland Lum, former Director Ernie Horany (who was also conference chairman), Treasurer Chuck Spitz and Editor Hugh Kopel.

This conference was started in 1950, inviting Pedodontists and others interested in Children's Dentistry to gather together for a long weekend of study and fellowship. Only Dentists are invited and no spouses attend.

The 1978 Research Conference will be held at SILVERADO, NAPA, CALIFORNIA on SEPTEMBER 14 THROUGH 17th, 1978.

Attendance will be limited to 100 people and will be by invitation sent to the conferees who have attended during the last 5 years. Past conferees may also invite a colleague to join them. The format will be such that the afternoons will be free to enjoy the beautiful Napa Valley and the golf and tennis facilities available at Silverado.

Don Dal Porto will be the 1978 Conference Chairman. Any inquiries concerning the conference may be directed to him at 516 Remington Dr., Suite 2, Sunnyvale, CA 94087.



LOOK WHAT YOU'RE MISSING!

THOSE THAT ARE ON TARGET KNOW THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN C.S.P.D. JOIN TODAY.

To: Barbara Dennis, Executive Secretary
California Society of Pediatric Dentists
927 Mendocino Avenue
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Please send me an application for membership and information regarding the C.S.P.D.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

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In Memoriam of HUGO M. KULSTAD:

Bakersfield, Calif.--Dr. Hugo M. Kulstad, Bakersfield, Calif., a former ADA first vice-president, died in the first week of April.

Dr. Kulstad, who served as first vice-president in 1969-1970, also was a past president of the Southern California Dental Association, the Los Angeles Dental Society, the American Society of Dentistry for Children, the International College of Dentists, and the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

A graduate of Marquette University School of Dentistry, Dr. Kulstad undertook graduate studies at the University of Southern California, University of California School of Public Health, and College of Physicians and Surgeons.

Dr. Kulstad was professor of pedodontics and of public health dentistry at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. He also served on the dental faculties of the University of California at Berkeley, University of Southern California, University of Oregon, College of Physicians and Surgeons, and Fresno State College.....

President Ed Mack has sent a donation of \$25.00 in the memory of Dr. Kulstad to the ASDC Foundation in the name of the California Society of Pediatric Dentists.

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NOTICE: Re of a CSPD Orthodontic Study Club.....

The California Society of Pediatric Dentists held their Annual Meeting in Carmel in March 1977. It was an extremely successful year and meeting.

One of the many recommendations at the business meeting was the need for the formation of an orthodontic study club. The men in the Northern Section of the state had formed one several years ago and have offered to help us establish one in Southern California.

What with the temper of third parties and peer review, an orthodontic study group for Pedodontists in Southern California is essential and necessary.

An organization meeting has been planned for July 20, 1977 at 7:30 p.m. at the AIRPORT MARRIOTT HOTEL, CENTURY BLVD., Los Angeles, California.

Please RSVP if you plan to attend. If you cannot attend and are interested, please contact us and you will be notified when and where the next meeting will be held.

Daniel Brostoff
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Los Angeles, CA 90045

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LETTERS TO & NOT TO THE EDITOR.....

The following letter appeared in an ADA Newsletter in April. I'm sure you will all appreciate its content.....

PEDO TECHNIQUE

To the Editor:

I sometimes wonder if I am the only dentist in the United States who has found it far more successful to work on deciduous teeth without an anesthetic.

I have been in practice 24 years and have enjoyed great success with the small fry by avoiding "the needle" in all but about 1% of my cases. The pedodontic clinics always indicate that they use anesthetics routinely, as do most of the other dentists that I've talked with.

Repeatedly, I've had children from 3 to 9 years of age who have been badly frightened by some dentist, and I have been able to win their trust and confidence and to complete the work by eliminating the dreaded "needle" and subsequent numbness that they dislike.

My methods do involve more time and psychology, but there is nothing more important than to eliminate a child's fear of the dentist.

On the child's first appointment, at most, we will do an oral exam and then take BW X rays if the child is not too apprehensive. The child is then given a prescription in Latin for one ice-cream cone at the drug store, which serves a double purpose: a reward for being a good patient, which is stressed, and to teach that all medical prescriptions aren't for terrible tasting medicines.

The second appointment is generally to do a fluoride P x S (which tickles) and possibly a small pit amalgam on a maxillary tooth with the slow-speed handpiece. Another ice-cream cone prescription is a reward, and we are then ready to begin the more extensive work at the third appointment.

It would be a pleasure to hear from others who agree with me, or if there is a great amount of disagreement, I would enjoy writing a detailed article on my procedure.

M.L. Coburn, DDS
Payson, Utah

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CLASSIFIED CORNER

Situation Wanted:

Two graduating hygienists from the University of Southern California School of Dentistry desire positions in pediatric dental practices in California. Contact Editor of CSPD Newsletter for curriculum vitae of these two young ladies.

Ed--If you have a classified ad you wish to have printed in the next newsletter, please notify your Editor, Hugh Kopel at the School of Dentistry, USC, 925 W. 34th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007.

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BOARD CERTIFICATION FOR "GRANDFATHERS" - *William R. Snaer, DDS*

During the approximate period of 1947-1961 the regulations of the American Dental Association regarding announcement of practice as a specialist and eligibility for specialty boards underwent considerable change. The effects were:

1. Pedodontists who had entered specialty practice prior to this period were eligible to apply for Board certification without having completed formal specialty training.
2. All dentists entering specialty practice after this period have had formal training and are, therefore, eligible to apply for Board certification.
3. There is a group of specialists who legitimately announced limitation of their practices during this period without formal specialty training who have never been eligible to apply for Board certification.

It seems clear that it was necessary to establish educational requirements for entry into specialty practices. It obviously took a few years to develop this attitude into an enforceable consensus, however; and during this interim period restriction of access to board-eligible status was probably a sound intermediate position.

Now, twenty years later, the pattern of formal training is well established. An interesting dichotomy persists, however. Many prominent and respected pediatric dentists who did not receive formal specialty education are board certified. Many prominent and respected pediatric dentists who did not receive formal specialty education are not and have never been board eligible.

There are those who believe that access to board eligibility should be reopened to "grandfather" pedodontists. Preparation for the examination could only increase the scope of the participating dentists and would not undermine the existing educational requirement for new specialists. The existing situation appears unjust to some and seems to unnecessarily stratify our already small group.

In order that this discussion may progress in an orderly way, it is necessary to have some input from interested parties. If you have an interest in investigating the possibility of becoming board certified, please complete the information slip and mail it to *Edward S. Mack, D.D.S., President, C.S.P.D., 800 Santiago Street, San Francisco, CA 94116.*

INFORMATION SHEET

Name _____

Address _____

Office telephone number _____ . Received DDS/DMD from _____ Year _____

I have received two years postgraduate education in pedodontics: () Yes () No

I have practiced pediatric dentistry exclusively since _____

It is my understanding that I have never been eligible for the American Board of Pedodontics examination: () Yes () No

I am interested in becoming board certified: () Yes () No

REGISTRATION FORM

SIXTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON DENTISTRY FOR CHILDREN
MR. RICHARD A. RUDDY, Executive Director
The American Society of Dentistry for Children
211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 920
Chicago, Illinois 60611 U.S.A.

Please Print

Name

Street Address

City State, Province, Zip or other
and/or Country Postal Code

REGISTRANTS.....\$120 ACCOMPANYING PERSONS.....\$ 75

Registration includes all social functions - SAVE BY REGISTERING IN ADVANCE. . . .
\$105 for registrants whose checks are received NO LATER THAN July 1, 1977.

Make checks, payable in U.S. funds on a U.S. bank, to American Society of Dentistry
for Children, and mail this registration form to the above address.

Included with your registration fee are Luncheons, Mon., Tues., and Wed., and Gala
Banquet Wed. evening.

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