

Career as Dentist Is Very Rewarding

(This is one of a series of articles on dental health prepared by the Harbor Dental Society, an affiliate of the American Dental Association.)

Should your child be a dentist? It's a profession he might want to consider and it's a rewarding career.

The dentist is a respected member of his community. He is recognized as a major contributor to the health and well-being of people and is considered an integral part of any over-all health program.

DENTISTRY is exciting and stimulating work. Each patient is different and each dental problem a challenge to the dentist's skill and intelligence.

It's work that needs doing. Less than 40 per cent of Americans get reasonably adequate and regular care. One in seven adults has never been to a dentist. Seven of ten need bridges or dentures. Today, there are about 94,000 practicing dentists, and by 1970, more than 104,000 will be needed. With our expanding population, the demand for dentists is increasing.

DENTISTRY is a well-paying profession, and the dentist's personal life can be pleasant. The average dentist earns \$16,000 yearly after all expenses; the specialist about \$24,000.

A dentist in private practice can set his own hours, and few emergencies demand his after-hours' time. He can choose the city or town in which he wants to practice and can have a long dental career if he desires. In fact, the average dentist works until age 68. He's his own boss.

To be successful in dentistry, certain qualifications are needed.

IT TAKES intelligence. Applicants welcomed most warmly by the dental school admissions committees are those with well-diversified educational backgrounds and keen, scientific minds. Especially needed are the intellectually-inquisitive students who will become researchers and teachers in the clinical

and biological sciences. It takes ability to work and study hard. A dental student spends about 35 hours a week in class, laboratory and clinic—and then spends most of his evenings in concentrated study. It takes certain special skills. A dentist must be good with his hands, have excel-

lent judgment of space and shape and have the ability to understand technical material. AND IT TAKES the right personality. A dentist works with people all day. He must enjoy them, have their welfare at heart and be able to make them feel at ease.

Once a dentist has completed training, the many worlds of the profession open up for him. He can choose to be an educator or research scientist. He can become a specialist in one of the profession's eight special areas of dental practice and continue his training beyond dental school.

If your child meets these requirements, he may want to consider a dental career. The cost of dental education is high. But scholarships and loans may be available. Talk it over with your child. Have a word with your family dentist. He and the high school guidance counselor will tell you the next steps to take.

Parents Without Partners Plan Meeting in Gardena

Vern Reynolds, an expert in inter-personal relationships, will be guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Inglewood South Bay chapter of Parents Without Partners Friday at 8 p.m. The meeting will be held at 15500 S. Western Ave., Gardena. It is open to all single parents—widowed, divorced, or separated. A brief business meeting will be held following the program, Don Whippo, president, said. A Sadie Hawkins dance is being planned by the group for July 28. Membership information is available by writing to Post Office Box 3222, Inglewood.



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Most Mail Concerns Asian War

Vietnam and the draft continue to top the list of subjects which draw heavy mail to his office each month, Congressman Alphonzo Bell (R-28th District) reported today.

The monthly poll for April, released by his office today, indicated that the subject of most frequent concern remains Vietnam, Bell said.

The Congressman said letters on the 10 most frequently mentioned subjects urged him to:

- Advocate stronger military action in Southeast Asia.
- Support negotiations as a means to conclude the war against North Vietnam.
- Express concern over the present inequities in the draft.
- Oppose the passage of a bill to legalize sit-in picketing.
- Support passage of the Post Office employees' pay raise bill.
- Urge inclusion of more services in medicare benefits.
- Support present elementary and secondary education program.
- Urge federal assistance in combating air and water pollution.
- Favor a limited increase in Social Security benefits.

Sketches of Presidents On Display

Full color portraits of the presidents of the United States are being featured in a special summer exhibit in the Library-Museum at the Wayfarers' Chapel in Portuguese Bend.

The portraits, along with brief historical sketches, were prepared by the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D. C., and will be exhibited through mid-August.

The Library-Museum is open from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

"The Power of Self-Discipline" will be the topic of Dr. Frank E. Richelleu, minister of the Church of Religious Science, Sunday. The church is located at 907 Knob Hill Ave., Redondo Beach.