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OPENING OF DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

The public must realise that dental health cannot be separated from general health since oral disease may be an aggravating factor in some more wide spread systemic disorder, the Director of Medical and Health Services, Dr. G.H. Choa, said today.

Any action taken to improve or maintain dental health is of great importance because it safeguards general health as well, he said.

Dr. Choa was speaking at a luncheon meeting in the Hong Kong Hotel on the occasion of the opening of the Dental Health Week organised by the Dental Society of Hong Kong.

Generally speaking, people tend to appreciate the importance of health only when it is impaired, but very often early symptoms of disease go un-noticed or are regarded as of little significance.

"This tendency also applies to dental disease, in fact, perhaps even more so," he added.

The Director said the undramatic nature of most dental diseases was such that people tend to ignore them or, at least, to put up with them until the condition became serious enough to be intolerable.

"People are perhaps more anxious about headaches or epigastric pains than toothaches which somehow they always seem to hope that they can get rid of."

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In order to achieve the purpose of positive dental health, it was essential that children should be taught to understand and appreciate it at as early an age as possible.

Dr. Choa also spoke of three of a series of inter-related factors which determine the degree to which dental health education goals could be achieved.

The first was the accessibility of dental health services and of advice in which individuals have confidence. "In this respect, Hong Kong is fortunate in having a dental profession which has shown great concern in dental health education and persistently tried to put the message over to the people," he said.

The second was the economic feasibility of putting into practice the dental health measures advocated. Dr. Choa said the introduction of fluoridation of water in 1961 was a first but significant step which had already produced good results, and consideration was being made of the proposal to set up a Dental Nurses Training School and subsequently a Dental Health Service for schoolchildren.

The third measure, which he thought was the meaning of holding a Dental Health Week, was the acceptability of the proposed dental health practices in terms of the customs, traditions and beliefs of individuals, families and groups.

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DEVELOPMENT IN HO MAN TIN UNDERWAY

Intensive construction work is going on in the Ho Man Tin area under a development scheme to provide residential and commercial buildings.

Site formation for the Ho Man Tin Development Stage VII is to make available one million square feet of land for residential, commercial and other uses. This work will be completed in mid-1973.

The area is the last major land development in Central Kowloon. It is situated to the north of the Oi Man Estate, bounded by Princess Margaret Road and Fat Kwong Street near the Pui Ching Road Flyover.

Road and other ancillary works will closely follow the completion of the site formation, and part of the land will be ready for use in 1974.

At the same time, the construction of the Ho Man Tin Low Cost Housing Estate, situated on the site, is also nearing completion. This estate of eight blocks ranging from seven to 16 storeys, will be the homes of more than 26,000 people.

Construction work on this estate is being carried out in three stages. The first two stages of six blocks to house 15,000 people will be completed towards the end of this year. The third and last stage will be ready in March 1973.

The estate will also have schools, markets, a bank, a post office, a community centre and shops.

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To the south of this development site is the Oi Man Estate which will have 12 blocks to accommodate more than 46,000.

Construction of this estate is divided into four stages. The first stage, which includes the building of three blocks, will be completed in late 1973 or early 1974, and will have more than 2,000 flats.

Residents will be provided with shopping facilities, banks, restuarants, market stalls as well as a covered multi-storey car-park. There will also be a bus terminus.

The whole project is expected to be finished in 1976.

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FULL-TIME COURSES AT TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Enrolment of new students will start on Monday (July 10) for 28 full-time courses at the Technical College including twelve Higher Diploma courses, ten Ordinary Diploma courses and six certificate courses.

The total number of places available to new students in all the full-time courses will be approximately 1,000.

Application forms for Certificate Courses in Radio Mechanics and Television Mechanics are obtainable on personal application at the Hong Kong Technical College, and those for other courses at all City District Offices, Tsuen Wan District Office the Technical College. Each applicant is allowed to submit only one application.

Completed forms should be returned to the Technical College, Hung Hom, before August 18, 1972.

Form V students of the current year should wait for their Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination results, so as to complete their application forms adequately before returning them to the Technical College.

Late applicants and those with inadequately completed forms will not be considered for enrolment.

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Preliminary selection of students will be based on the merits gained by the applicants in the Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examinations (English or Chinese) , or any other public examinations that have a standard acceptable as equivalents.

Additional merits gained in the Hong Kong University Matriculation Examination, the Chinese University Matriculation Examination, the General Certificate of Education Examination of the University of London, etc. will also be taken into consideration.

Applicants for Higher Diploma Course in Industrial Design are required to pass an aptitude test. Those applying for Certificate Course in Radio Mechanics are required to sit an entrance examination. Final selection will, however, be based on the results of the interviews.

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PRESENTATION OF "WINGS" TO RHKAAF PILOTS

Three pilots of the Royal Hong Kong Auxiliary Air Force will be presented with their pilots' "wings" this afternoon.

The three pilots - Pilot Officer G.A. Higginson, Cadet Pilot A.K. Fraser and Cadet Pilot J.H. Spencer - have just completed their 150 hours of basic training in the Auxiliary Air Force's own aircraft.

The presentation will be made by the Defence Secretary, Mr. D.S. Whitelegge, at the RHKAAF headquarters at Kai Tak.

Pilot Officer Higginson will now be transferred to the helicopter flight where he will receive flying training on the Alouette III helicopter. Later he will carry out such operational tasks as weekly flying doctor services, night casualty evacuation flights and local search and rescue duties.

Cadet Pilots Fraser and Spencer, besides carrying out operational tasks on the Musketeer aircraft, will now go to advanced flying training on the twin-engined Britten-Norman Islander in mapping and aerial photography and medium range search and rescue.

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EXPORT OF RESTRAINED COTTON TEXTILES TO U.K.

The Director of Commerce and Industry has issued to all Hong Kong exporters and manufacturers Notice to Exporters, Series 1 (Britain) No. 12/72, dated July 7, 1972, in respect of export of restrained cotton textiles to the United Kingdom.

In the Notice to Exporters, the Director announced, with immediate effect until December 4, 1972, the operation of Phase 11 of the High Hong Kong Cost Content Schemes for the export of restrained cotton finished piecegoods and made-ups and garments to the United Kingdom in the same manner as in Phase 1.

He added that the minimum qualifying Hong Kong Cost Contents for Phase 11 of the Scheme were similar to those of Phase 1.

Copies of the Notice to Exporters are obtainable at the Department's Textiles Licensing Office on the second floor, Fire Brigade Building, Hong Kong.

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HEALTH EDUCATION EXHIBITION AT SHEK LI RESETTLEMENT ESTATE

A five-day health education exhibition will be held at the new Social Welfare Building in the Shek Li Resettlement Estate, Kwai Chung, beginning on July 10.

The exhibition will focus on nutrition, eyesight protection and prevention of gastro-intestinal diseases.

Open-air films will also be shown each night weather permitting.

The exhibition is jointly organised by the Social Welfare Department, Shek Li Resettlement Estate and the Health Education Unit of the Medical and Health Department, New Territories.

It will be open from 9.30 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day until July 14.

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Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to have the event covered.

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QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS REMOVED

The Port Health Authority announced today that the quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Cebu (Port), Philippines, on account of cholera had been removed.

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T.V.B. HANDS OVER MORE DONATIONS

At a ceremony this morning Mr. Andrew K.W. Eu, Managing Director of T.V.B., handed over to Mr. Michael Clinton, the Acting Colonial Secretary, a cheque for \$1,378,276.72 together with the title deeds in respect of shop premises in Sai Wan Ho Street and one piece of farm land at Un Long.

In handing over this further contribution from the people of Hong Kong, Mr. Eu commented that it showed the fine spirit and solidarity of the people of Hong Kong when the need arises.

In accepting on behalf of the Government these gifts, Mr. Clinton thanked Mr. Eu for this further most generous gift from the people of Hong Kong and added that it reflected great credit on T.V.B.'s organisation in being able to organise these donations.

Mr. Clinton said that he would hand over the cheque and the title deeds to the Management Committee of the Community Relief Trust Fund for them to decide how best to use it.

He added that together with the cheque for \$7.2 million which Mr. H.W. Lee had presented last Friday to His Excellency the Governor, the total contribution to the Fund through T.V.B. approached \$9 million.

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Note to Editors: Copies of a photograph showing Mr. Clinton receiving the cheque and title deeds from Mr. Eu at the presentation ceremony are distributed separately in the G.I.S. Boxes this afternoon.

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HK-TV B ARTISTES TO HELP SELL GOVERNMENT LOTTERY TICKETS

Four HK-TV B artistes will help sell tickets of the 50th Government Lottery on Monday (July 10) between 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. at the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club booth outside the Star Ferry Pier, Central.

The artistes are Miss Lee Heung-kum, Miss Lo Lan, Mr. Ho Sau-shun and Mr. Tam Ping-man.

Up to 12 noon today, a total of 292,000 tickets have been sold. The draw of the winning tickets, to be performed by the four artistes, will take place on Saturday, July 15, at the City Hall Concert Hall.

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Release time: 2.30 p.m.