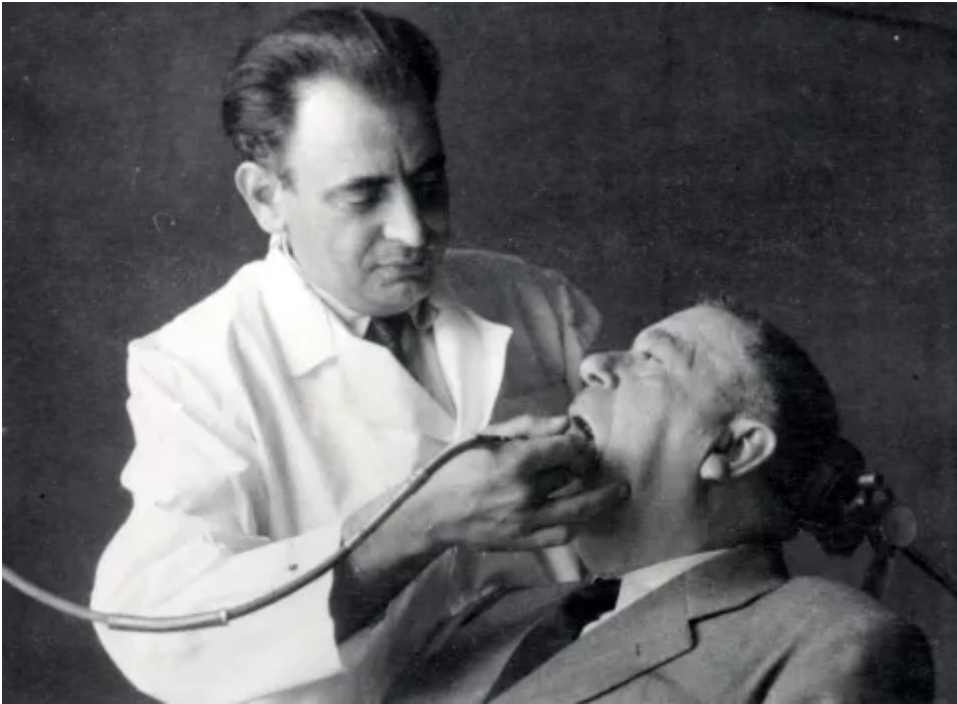


Blumenberg Ljudevit With A Patient



This photo is from the early 1950s. This was one of my dental chairs I used to work on. As you can see, it's more like one of those army field-chairs, but it served its purpose. I don't know what this patient of mine was called.

I was around 18 at the time I got work in Kragujevac with a Jewish dentist called Laszlo Ernest. I worked as a dental assistant with him for five years.

Those were the best years. I had a good salary.

My first dental chair was an ordinary barber's chair, but I managed quite well with such modest equipment. I worked in a private practice. After some time I heard that it was possible to get an advanced dental degree. The requirements for the course included eight years of gymnasium and two years of dental school. I enrolled in that school with my colleague, Stevan Ric. We studied a lot, passed all the tests and finished the course. He and I were the first advanced dentists in Subotica, the rest were all dental technicians. I worked in a health clinic, then in a health clinic for railroad workers and then privately.