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BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF UROLOGICAL SURGEONS

THE Eighth Annual General Meeting of the British Association of Urological Surgeons was held at the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2, on Thursday, 26th June 1952.

Present.—Mr E. W. Riches (President) in the Chair and approximately seventy members.

Minutes of the meeting held on 28th June 1951 were read and signed as correct.

Election of Members.—The following were elected members on the recommendation of the Council: Alfred Cavendish, London; Brian Brendan Hickey, Swansea; Francis John Milward, Chesterfield; Frederick Peter Raper, Leeds; Gerald Charles Tresidder, London; Sidney George Tuffill, Dartford; David Innes Williams, London.

Report of Council.—The report of the Council for 1951-52, which had been circulated, was received and approved.

Report of the Honorary Treasurer and Balance-Sheet to 31st December 1951.—The audited accounts for the year 1951, which showed a deficit on the year's working of £45. 3s. 2d., were presented by the Honorary Treasurer and approved.

Election of Officers for 1952-53.—The following were elected Officers for 1952-53: *Vice-President*, Mr T. J. Millin; *Hon. Secretary*, Mr A. W. Badenoch; *Hon. Treasurer*, Mr R. H. O. B. Robinson; *Hon. Editorial Secretary*, Mr J. D. Fergusson.

Election of Members of Council.—The following were elected members of Council to fill the vacancies: Mr David Band, Mr T. L. Chapman.

Election of Auditors.—Messrs Howard Howes & Co. were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year.

1953 Annual Meeting.—The President reported that the 1953 Annual Meeting would be held in Leeds and Bradford and that the main subject for discussion would be "Tuberculosis of the Urinary Tract." The Council had invited Mr Cosbie Ross to open this discussion.

1954 Annual Meeting.—It was reported that the subject for discussion at the 1954 Annual Meeting would be "Irradiation Therapy in Urology."

Alteration to the Rules.—It was agreed that Rule 3 (b) should be amended to read:—

"Associate Members.—Junior surgeons working in a urological department, other surgeons making a special study of urology or those engaged in its ancillary services."

Honorary Member.—The President reported that the Council had elected Dr Einar Ljunggren of Goteborg an Honorary Member of the Association.

After the business meeting the following short papers were read and films shown:-

- 1. Paper: "The Vascularisation of the Transplanted Ureter in Dogs." Mr R. Shackman, Mr O. Daniel, and Dr B. Lennox (London).
- 2. Paper: "The Blood Supply of the Human Ureter." Mr O. Daniel and Mr R. Shackman (London).
- 3. Paper: "The Results of Reimplantation of the Ureter (into the Bladder)." Mr D. St Clair Henderson (Birmingham).
- 4. Film: "Uretero-colic Anastomosis." Mr E. W. Riches (London).
- 5. Paper: "Mucosal Changes associated with Bladder Tumours." Mr F. Masina (Bristol).

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 Film: "Uretero-colic Anastomosis by the Mucosa to Mucosa Technique in a Case of Ectopia Vesicae." Mr A. M. McMaster (Rochdale).

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In the afternoon members were invited to attend the meeting of the Section of Urology of the Royal Society of Medicine at which there was a discussion on "The Treatment of Anuria."

The Annual Dinner was held at the Royal College of Surgeons in the evening and was attended by 105 members and their guests.

On Friday morning, 27th June, a discussion on "The Late Results of Uretero-colic Anastomosis" was held, Mr Arthur Jacobs and Mr W. B. Stirling being the openers.

Operating sessions were held at various London Hospitals in the afternoon, and the following operated or gave demonstrations: Mr A. W. Badenoch, Mr J. G. Yates Bell, Mr P. F. Boreham, Mr O. Daniel, Professor V. Dix, Mr J. D. Fergusson, Mr I. H. Griffiths, Mr A. R. C. Higham, Mr F. R. Kilpatrick, Mr Harland Rees, Mr E. W. Riches, Mr John Sandrey, Mr D. M. Wallace, Mr D. I. Williams, and Mr H. P. Winsbury-White.

In the evening a buffet-dance was held at the Dorchester Hotel.

On Saturday morning, 28th June, the following short papers were read and films shown:—

- 1. Paper: "The Present Status of Prostatic Surgery in Canada." Dr N. E. Berry (Kingston, Ontario).
- 2. Paper: "Deep Perineal Drainage in Transvesical Prostatic Adenomectomy." Dr R. J. Silverton (Sydney, Australia).
- 3. Film: "Improved Technique of Uretero-sigmoidostomy." Dr W. C. Stirling (Washington, U.S.A.).
- 4. Paper: "Transvesical Prostatectomy with Use of the Foley Catheter and Calgitex Gauze." Mr M. D. Sheppard and Mr John Muir (Chelmsford).
- Paper and Film: "The Results of Treating Acute and Chronic Retention of Urine by the Wilson Hey Method." Mr David Aiken (Sheffield).
- 6. Paper: "The Persistence of Urinary Infection following Prostatectomy." Mr M. Caine (London).

In the afternoon over 150 members and guests were able to pay a visit to the Houses of Parliament through the courtesy of Mr T. G. D. Galbraith and Dr A. D. D. Broughton, who conducted the tour.

Members and their guests were invited by the President to a cocktail party in the evening at the Middlesex Hospital.

On Sunday, 29th June, a small party of sixty visited Canterbury Cathedral and were afterwards entertained to tea by Mr and Mrs Edgar Freshman and to cocktails by Professor and Mrs V. Dix.

At a Council meeting on 26th June the following were elected Associate Members: Neville Edsell Stidolph, F.R.C.S., London; Geoffrey Webb Verco, F.R.A.C.S., Adelaide.

UROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALASIA

The Annual General Meeting of the Urological Society of Australasia will be held in Brisbane in April 1953.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY

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In association with St Peter's, St Paul's, and St Philip's Hospitals

The following courses and lectures have been arranged for the winter session 1952-53:—

- 1st to 15th October 1952.—A short comprehensive course in genito-urinary surgery (suitable for candidates preparing for higher surgical examinations).
- 8th October 1952.—Invitation lecture at the Royal College of Surgeons: "Hydronephrosis." Mr J. C. Anderson.
- 12th to 23rd January 1953.—Selected urological subjects (evening course).

In addition, weekly lectures on urological subjects (open to all practitioners) will be resumed on Wednesday evenings throughout the autumn session, and subjects will be announced in the medical press.

Further details of the above courses, together with a brochure giving information concerning clinical and research facilities available at the Institute, may be obtained from the Secretary, 10 Henrietta Street, London, W.C.2.