

## NEWS FROM HOME AND OVERSEAS

### BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF UROLOGICAL SURGEONS

THE Fifteenth Annual General Meeting (combined meeting with the Canadian Urological Association) was held at the Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, 242 St Vincent Street, Glasgow, on Thursday, 16th July 1959, at 9.30 A.M.

The President, Mr Arthur Jacobs, was in the Chair.

1. **Minutes** of the Annual General Meeting held on 19th June 1958 were read and signed as correct.

2. **Election of Members.**—The following were elected members on the recommendation of the Council: Jean Charbonneau, Montreal, Canada; Richard Allan Craven, Sydney, Australia; James Gordon Gow, Liverpool; Ian Langdale Gregory, Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia; John Grieve, Dundee; Samuel Joseph Hoffman, Johannesburg, South Africa; Cyril Hugh Kinder, London; Frank Gordon Mack, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada; William George Quincey Mills, Bournemouth; David Gwyn Morris, Cardiff; Donald Paine, North Bay, Canada; James Alexander Ross, Edinburgh; Clarence Schneiderman, Montreal, Canada; William Selby Tulloch, Edinburgh; Leslie Reginald Williams, Vancouver, Canada; Thomas Ian Wilson, Edinburgh.

3. **Report of the Council for 1958-59.**—The report of the Council for 1958-59, which had been circulated, was received and adopted.

4. **Report of the Honorary Treasurer and Balance-sheet at 31st December 1958.**—The audited accounts for the year 1958, which showed a surplus on the year's working of £459. 0s. 6d., were presented by the Honorary Treasurer and approved.

5. **Election of Officers.**—The following were elected Officers for 1959-60: *President*, Mr David Band; *Immediate Past President*, Mr Arthur Jacobs; *Vice-President*, Professor L. N. Pyrah; *Honorary Treasurer*, Professor V. W. Dix; *Honorary Secretary*, Mr J. D. Fergusson; *Honorary Editorial Secretary*, Mr N. M. Matheson.

6. **Election of Members of Council.**—The following were elected Members of Council to fill the vacancies: Mr B. H. Page, Mr F. P. Raper, Mr W. K. Yeates, Mr D. M. Wallace (to fill casual vacancy caused by Professor Pyrah's election as Vice-President).

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

8. **1960 Annual Meeting.**—The President reported that the 1960 Annual Meeting would be held in London on 23rd, 24th and 25th June and that the main subject for discussion would be "Calculus Disease in the Upper Urinary Tract."

9. **1961 Annual Meeting.**—The President reported that the main discussion at the 1961 Annual Meeting would be on the "Neurogenic Bladder."

10. **Rules.**—The following Resolution was passed:—

"That the subjoined new Rule to be numbered 16A be added to the Rules of the Association.

"16A. *Investment.*

The Council may invest the moneys of the Association not immediately required for the purposes thereof in or upon any investment for the time being authorised by law for the investment of trust funds or in the debentures, debenture stock bonds or other marketable securities and the stocks and shares of any description of any public corporation or authority or of any Company whose shares are quoted on the London Stock Exchange and which has an issued capital of not less than £100,000."

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On Wednesday evening, 15th July, members of the British and Canadian Urological Associations and their guests were invited by the President and Council of the Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons to a Reception. This was followed by a Buffet-Supper.

After the Business Meeting on Thursday, 16th July, the following short papers were read:—

1. "Some Results of Metabolic Investigation in Cases of Renal Stone." Dr A. R. Harrison (London).

2. "The Estimation of Free Calcium in the Urine and its Relevance to Stone Formation." Dr B. Nordin (Glasgow).

3. "Hypertension of Renal Origin." Dr W. K. Kerr (Toronto).

4. "Hypertension and Renal Artery Disease." Mr K. Owen (London).

Members of both Associations were invited by the Board of Management to lunch at the Glasgow Royal Infirmary.

In the afternoon the meeting was continued in the Lister Lecture Theatre, Royal Infirmary, and the following short papers were given:—

1. "Renal Papillary Necrosis." Dr D. Swartz (Winnipeg).
2. "Acute Manifestations in Tumours of the Testis." Dr R. Grant Reid (Montreal).
3. "Reconstruction of the Urethra for the Treatment of Severe Urethral Strictures." Mr H. Hamilton Stewart (Bradford).
4. "Urethroplasties." Dr L. R. Williams (Vancouver).

Following the papers, members and their guests attended a Civic Reception by the Lord Provost and Magistrates of the City of Glasgow.

The Annual Dinner was held in the evening at the Grosvenor Restaurant and was attended by 156 members and their guests. During the Dinner the St Peter's Medal was presented to Professor L. N. Fyrah.

On Friday morning, 17th July, a discussion was held on "Hydronephrosis," the openers being: Professor V. W. Dix, Mr G. F. Murnaghan, Mr Howard G. Hanley, Dr John Balfour, Mr R. H. O. B. Robinson.

In the afternoon an Excursion was held to Loch Lomond and members were entertained to tea at Rosssdhu, the residence of Sir Ivor Colquhoun.

Members and their guests were invited to a Cocktail Party at the Royal Scottish Automobile Club by the President and Council of the Association in the evening. This was followed by a Dinner-Dance at the Club, which was attended by 159 people.

On Saturday morning, 18th July, Mr J. G. Gow and Dr H. H. Hopkins demonstrated a new cystoscopic camera. This demonstration was followed by short papers and a film:—

1. Paper: "Urethral Transposition." Mr I. H. Griffiths (London).
2. Paper: "The Indications and Techniques of Bowel Substitution after Total Cystectomy." Dr J. P. Bourque (Montreal).
3. Paper: "Prophylactic Antimicrobial Therapy in Retropubic Prostatectomy." Mr A. Marshall (Glasgow).
4. Film: "Renal Transplantation in Identical Twins." Dr K. MacKinnon (Montreal).
5. Paper: "A Case of Right-sided Reno-colic Fistula." Dr C. B. Stewart (Winnipeg).
6. Paper: "Some Problems arising during Micturating Cystourethrography." Dr L. Frain-Bell, Mr J. Grieve and Dr Cecil Pickard (Dundee).

In the afternoon members and their guests enjoyed an excursion down the Clyde.

Local Secretaries of the Association are as follows:—

*Australasia*—Dr Keith Kirkland, 137 Macquarie Street, Sydney, Australia.

*Canada*—Western Provinces: Dr John Balfour, 1022-925 West Georgia, Vancouver 1, B.C., Canada.

Eastern Canada (for French applicants): Dr J. P. Legault, 300 Carre St Louis, Montreal, Canada.

Eastern Canada (for English applicants): Dr S. A. MacDonald, 1414 Drummond Street, Montreal, Canada. Ontario: Dr D. R. Mitchell, Medical Arts Building, Toronto, Canada.

*South Africa*—Dr P. J. M. Retief, 85 St George's Street, Cape Town, South Africa.

At a meeting of the Council held on 28th May 1959 the following were elected Associate Members: B. N. Colabawalla, F.R.C.S., Bombay; H. F. Jeejeebhoy, F.R.C.S., Bombay; and on 16th July 1959: L. S. A. Boothroyd, West Vancouver, Canada; G. M. McFadden, F.R.C.S.E., Canterbury; G. E. Moloney, F.R.C.S.E., Oxford; J. B. M. Roberts, F.R.C.S., Sheffield.

### UROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALASIA

The Thirteenth Annual Scientific and Business Meeting of the Urological Society of Australasia will be held at Lennon's Hotel, Broadbeach, Queensland, from 1st to 5th May 1960. It seems likely that Dr W. W. Scott of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, will attend. A cordial invitation is offered to any members of the British Association of Urological Surgeons to attend.

The following members were elected as office-bearers for 1959-60 at the Annual General Meeting in Melbourne: *President*, Mr G. Hogg; *Past President*, Mr L. Murphy; *Vice-President*, Mr Alban Gee; *Honorary Secretary*, Mr J. E. Blackman; *Honorary Treasurer*, Mr R. A. Craven; *Members of the Executive Council*, Messrs L. Wheeler, J. Blackwood and B. Pearson.

J. E. BLACKMAN,  
*Honorary Secretary.*