NEWS FROM HOME AND OVERSEAS

BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF UROLOGICAL SURGEONS

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held in the McCance Building, University of Strathclyde, Richmond Street, Glasgow, C.1., on Wednesday, 24th June 1970.

The Vice-President, Mr J. D. Fergusson, was in the Chair.

The President.—The General Meeting learned with regret of the sudden death of the President, Mr W. S. Mack. Mr A. W. Badenoch said that the Council had recommended that Mr J. D. Fergusson should take the Chair at the Annual Meeting and that at the end of the Meeting he should be elected President of the Association. The General Meeting approved of these recommendations.

Mr J. D. Fergusson and Mr W. Barr Stirling paid tributes to Mr Mack.

- 1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 26th June 1969, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed as correct.
- 2. Election of New Members.—The following were elected Members on the nomination of the Council: Shivkumar Maganlal Bhatt, Bombay; Norman James Blacklock, Surg. Cdr., R.N.; Martin Claridge, Canterbury; Thomas John Davenport, Chertsey; Peter Edmond, Edinburgh; James Francis Flannery, London; Basil Kenneth Gray, Bradford; John Narkett Kille, Hull; Geoffrey Norman Lumb, Taunton; Peter Anthony McLean, Dublin; James Oldfield, Middlesbrough; Kenneth Cyril Perry, Eastbourne; Michael Gordon Royle, Brighton; Robert Scott, Glasgow; Robert George Nighy Thomson, Preston; Vishwa Nath Prasad Tripathi, Lucknow.
 - 3. Report of Council for 1969-70.—This report, which had been circulated, was received and adopted.
- The Chairman reported that Mr Arthur Jacobs had received an Hon. LL.D. from the University of Glasgow, and that Mr Hamilton Stewart had received the Freedom of the City of Bradford.
- 4. Report of the Honorary Treasurer and Balance Sheet to 31st December 1969.—The audited accounts for the year 1969, which showed a surplus on the year's working of £861, 9s. 5d., were presented by the Honorary Treasurer and approved. The Honorary Treasurer reported that £1,499, 14s. 4d. from the Deposit Account had been invested in Exchequer $6\frac{3}{4}$ % Stock, 1973, and that it had been decided not to accept the offer to convert the British Shoe Corporation 7% convertible Unsecured Loan Stock, 1985/90, into ordinary shares.
- 5. Amendments to the Rules.—On the recommendation of the Council it was agreed that the following amendments should be made to the Rules:—

Rule 3.—The first paragraph after paragraph (e) to read:

"Only Full Members shall be eligible to vote or to be elected to hold office. Both Full Members and Associate Members may be elected to the Council and shall be eligible to vote at Council meetings." Rule 10.—Add at the end: "or approved by the President." Rule 14.—Amend to read:

"The business of the Association shall be conducted by a Council consisting of: The Officers, The Immediate Past President, President of the Section of Urology of the Royal Society of Medicine (ex officio), Chairman of the Editorial Committee of the British Journal of Urology (ex officio) and nine ordinary members elected from the Full Member sand two ordinary members elected from the Associate Members.

The Full Members shall be elected for three years, three retiring each year and being ineligible for re-election for one year.

The Associate Members shall be elected for two years, one of whom shall retire annually and shall not be eligible for re-election for one year.

In the case of members of equal standing those to retire shall be selected by the Council.

Candidates for the Full Member representatives on the Council shall be nominated by two Full Members at least six weeks before the Annual General Meeting and shall give their written consent to stand. Candidates for the Associate Member representatives on the Council shall be nominated by two Associate Members at least six weeks before the Annual General Meeting and shall give their written consent to stand.

All members of Council shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting."

Some discussion took place about the term of office of the Associate Member representatives on the Council, and the view was expressed by some members that these representatives should serve for three years instead of two years. It was pointed out, however, that no nominations had been received for the Associate Member representatives on the Council. The Associate Members were, therefore, asked to submit nominations and it was agreed that the Associate Member representatives should be elected at a Special General Meeting to be held during the One-Day Meeting in Hull. The rule would then be reconsidered when the Associate Member representatives were serving on the Council.

6. Election of Officers.—The following were elected for 1970-1: President, Mr J. D. Fergusson; Hon. Treasurer, Mr I. H. Griffiths; Hon. Secretary, Mr C. H. Kinder; Hon. Editorial Secretary, Mr W. Keith Yeates.

With regard to the Vice-President, the Council had recommended that a nomination should be made at a Special Council Meeting in October and that the election of the Vice-President should take place at the Special General Meeting in Hull. This was agreed.

7. Election of Members of Council.—It was reported that the following had been nominated for election to the Council: Mr P. Dawson-Edwards, Birmingham, Mr J. G. Gow, Liverpool, and Mr Norman Slade, Bristol, by the Council; Mr R. E. Williams, Leeds, by Professor J. P. Blandy and Mr N. Alan Green.

A ballot was held and the following were elected to fill the vacancies: Mr J. G. Gow, Liverpool; Mr Norman Slade, Bristol; Mr R. E. Williams, Leeds.

- 8. Election of Auditors.—Messrs Howard, Howes and Co. were re-elected Auditors for the ensuing year.
- 9. 1971 Annual Meeting.—It was reported that the 1971 Annual Meeting would be held in London from 24th to 26th June, and that the subject for the main discussion would be "Conservative surgery of the kidney".
 - 10. 1972 Annual Meeting.—The Chairman stated that the venue for 1972 had not been finally decided.
- 11. 1970 Provincial (One-Day) Meeting.—It was reported that the 1970 Provincial (One-Day) Meeting would be held in Hull on 10th October.
- 12. Development of Urological Services and the Training of Urologists.—A free discussion took place and the Chairman said that a transcript would be referred to the Council for further consideration.

On Wednesday evening, 24th June, members and their guests were invited by the President and Council of the Association and by the President and Council of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow to a Reception in the College.

On Thursday, 25th June, the following short papers were given and films shown:

- (1) "Total cystectomy," Mr R. J. Barnard and Mr D. S. Poole-Wilson (Manchester).
- (2) "Series of 34 patients with primary adenocarcinoma of the bladder," Mr J. L. Williams, Mr A. M. Ward and Mr D. G. Thomas (Sheffield).
- (3) "Urodynamic assessment by synchronous cine pressure flow study," Mr C. P. Bates (London).
- (4) "Bladder function in infants and children," Mr Barry O'Donnell and Mr T. P. F. O'Connor (Dublin). (5) "The musculature of the human ureter," Mr R. G. Notley (London).
- (6) "Pyelo-pelvic and uretero-ureteric reflux," Mr G. C. Tresidder (London).
- (7) "A case of chyluria," Mr R. A. Mogg (Cardiff).
- (8) "Advantages and disadvantages of intermittent clamping of the renal pedicle in kidney preserving surgery," Prof. F. Truss (Göttingen).
- (9) "The results of localisation of infection by ureteric catheterisation," Mr J. Vinnicombe (Portsmouth),
- Dr Susannah Eykyn and Mr K. E. D. Shuttleworth (London). (10) "Non-tuberculous sterile pyuria," Mr C. Parker, Mr E. Charlton Edwards and Mr Thomas Moore (Manchester).
- (11) "Results and complications of scrotal flap urethroplasty for stricture," Prof. J. P. Blandy, Mr R. Notley and Mr M. Singh (London).
- (12) "18-Fluorine total body scans in patients with carcinoma of the prostate," Mr R. R. Roy, Mr B. E. Nathan, Mr J. S. M. Beales and Mr G. D. Chisholm (London).
- Films: (13) "Total cysto-urethrectomy," Mr D. S. Poole-Wilson (Manchester). (14) "Cavernotomy," Mr Howard G. Hanley (London).

The Annual Dinner was held at the Central Hotel and was attended by 216 members and their guests. During the Dinner the St Peter's Medal was presented to Professor Sir Michael Woodruff, F.R.S., in absentia.

On Friday, 26th June, a discussion was held on "Urinary tuberculosis" when the following papers were given:

- (1) "The incidence of genito-urinary tuberculosis in the Western Region of Scotland, 1963-1969," Dr L. G. Bruce (Glasgow).
- (2) "The present position of urinary tuberculosis," Dr W. M. Borthwick (Glasgow).
- (3) "Results of treatment in a large series of cases and the changing pattern of the disease," Mr J. G. Gow (Liverpool).
- (4) "Calcification in genito-urinary tuberculosis," Mr J. Cosbie Ross (Liverpool).
- (5) "Cavernotomy and partial nephrectomy," Mr Howard G. Hanley (London).
- (6) "Surgical treatment in genito-urinary tuberculosis," Mr J. D. O'Flynn (Dublin).
- (7) "The role of surgery in urinary tuberculosis," Dr W. K. Kerr (Toronto).
- (8) "The radiology of tuberculosis," Dr J. Roylance and Dr J. B. Penry (Bristol).
- (9) "Tuberculosis in the non-white population of Bradford," Mr R. K. Carruthers (Bradford).
- (10) "Ureteric obstruction in tuberculosis," Mr Martin Claridge (Canterbury).
- (11) "The ureter in renal tuberculosis," Mr F. G. Hollands and Mr R. W. M. Rees (Derby).
- (12) "Late results of cystoplasty in chronic tuberculous cystitis," Professor S. Wesolowski (Warsaw).
- (13) "Colocystoplasty: follow up of 10 cases," Mr F. A. Duff, Mr J. F. O'Grady and Mr D. G. Kelly (Dublin).
- (14) "Steroids in the treatment of urinary tract tuberculosis," Mr J. Hopewell (London).

In the evening 115 members and their guests visited Blane Valley, followed by an informal dinner at Dunblane.

On Saturday morning, 27th June, visits were arranged to the following Hospitals: Royal Infirmary (Mr W. Barr Stirling and Colleagues). Victoria Infirmary (Mr L. Stuart Scott and Colleagues). Western Infirmary (Mr A. G. Graham and Colleagues).