

NEWS FROM HOME AND OVERSEAS

BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF UROLOGICAL SURGEONS

THE Tenth Annual General Meeting was held at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, St Stephen's Green, Dublin, on Thursday, 24th June 1954, at 10 A.M.

Present.—Mr T. J. Millin (President) in the Chair, and approximately eighty members.

Minutes of the meeting held on 25th June 1953 were read and signed as correct.

Election of Members.—The following were elected members on the recommendation of the Council: Duncan St Clair Lawson Henderson, Birmingham; Lionel Allenby Jacobs, Sydney, Australia; John Phillimore Mitchell, Bristol; Leonard James Thomas Murphy, Melbourne, Australia; Denis Frederic Ellison Nash, London; Neville Jennings Nicholson, Louth; Ian Faulkner Potts, Sydney, Australia; William Barr Stirling, Glasgow; William Keith Yeates, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Report of Council.—The report of Council for 1953-54, which had been circulated, was received and approved.

Report of the Honorary Treasurer and Balance-Sheet to 31st December 1953.—The audited accounts for the year 1953, which showed a surplus on the year's working of £159. 12s. 8d., were presented by the Honorary Treasurer and approved.

Election of Officers for 1954-55.—The following were elected Officers for 1954-55: *Vice-President*, Mr R. H. O. B. Robinson; *Honorary Treasurer*, Mr J. G. Yates Bell; *Honorary Secretary*, Mr Howard G. Hanley; *Honorary Editorial Secretary*, Mr J. D. Fergusson.

Election of Members of Council.—The following were elected members of Council to fill the vacancies: Mr A. W. Badenoch, Mr Ashton Miller, and Mr J. Cosbie Ross.

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

1955 Annual Meeting.—The President reported that the 1955 Annual Meeting would be held in London on 30th June, 1st and 2nd July, and that the main subject for discussion would be "Calcification and Calculus Formation in the Upper Urinary Tract." The Council had invited Mr Pyrah and Mr Hamilton Stewart to open this discussion.

1956 Annual Meeting.—It was reported that the 1956 Annual Meeting would be held in Liverpool and that the subject for discussion would be "The Use of the Intestine in Urology."

After the business meeting the following short papers were read:—

1. "Clinical Significance of Biopsy Findings in Bladder Tumours." Mr T. L. Chapman (Glasgow).
2. "The Conservative Treatment of Bladder Tumours." Professor W. A. Milner (Albany, N.Y.).
3. "Cutaneous Metastases from Tumours of the Lower Urinary Tract." Mr L. Stuart Scott (Glasgow).

In the afternoon the following papers and demonstrations were given by the Dublin Group in the Moyne Institute, Trinity College :—

1. "Cyst of Seminal Vesicle associated with Hypoplasia of the Kidney." Mr F. Duff.
2. "A Case of Marion's Disease." Mr A. Butler.
3. "A Urological Punch Card." Mr D. O'Flynn.
4. "Experiences with Suprapubic Catheterisation." Mr V. Lane.
5. "Ireland in Urological History." Mr A. Walsh.
6. "New Antituberculosis Agents derived from Modified Starch." Dr V. Barry.
7. "Some Problems in the Management of Renal Tuberculosis." Mr T. J. D. Lane.

The Annual Dinner was held at the Royal Hibernian Hotel in the evening and was attended by 110 members and their guests.

On Friday, 25th June, a discussion on "Irradiation Therapy in Urology" was opened by Dr G. W. Blomfield, Mr E. W. Riches, Mr D. S. Poole-Wilson, Mr J. D. Fergusson, Dr Vincent J. O'Connor, Mr Robert Cox, and Mr D. M. Wallace.

In the evening members and their guests were invited by the President and Council to a Cocktail Party at the Gresham Hotel. This was followed by a Dinner-Dance, which was attended by 134 members and guests.

On Saturday morning, 26th June, the following short papers were read and films shown :—

1. Paper : "Some Uses of Cortisone in Urology." Mr Roland Thornley (Bolton).
2. Film : "The Culture of Malignant Tumours on Agar." Mr Robert Cox (London).
3. Paper : "Urinary Enzymes in the Aetiology of Neoplasms of the Bladder." Professor E. Boyland, Mr D. M. Wallace, and Mr D. C. Williams (London).
4. Film : "Epididymovasostomy." Mr Howard G. Hanley (London).
5. Paper : "Renal Ischæmia and Hypertension." Mr J. N. Ward-McQuaid (Oxford).
6. Film : "Operation for Closure of Vesico-vaginal Fistula." Dr Vincent J. O'Connor (Chicago).

In the afternoon members visited St Luke's Hospital for a demonstration at the new Radiotherapeutic Centre by the Director, Dr Oliver Chance.

On Sunday, 27th June, a number of members accepted an invitation from the President and Mrs Millin to a Garden Party at their house in Co. Cork.

At a meeting of the Council held on 27th May 1954 the following were elected Associate Members : A. G. Ellerker, M.S., F.R.C.S., London ; H. M. Jamison, F.R.C.S., Newcastle-upon-Tyne ; J. D. Joubert, F.R.C.S.E., Cape Town, South Africa ; W. Kraszewski, M.D., Glasgow ; V. N. Larsen, F.R.C.S.E., Durban, South Africa ; E. Morrison, F.R.C.S.E., Belfast ; J. M. Hamilton Ross, F.R.C.S.E., Co. Durham ; J. C. B. Serjeant, F.R.C.S., London ; and on 24th June 1954, F. T. Graves, F.R.C.S., London.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY

(University of London)

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

OPENING CEREMONY

The new premises of the Institute of Urology at 10 Henrietta Street, London, W.C.2, were formally opened by the Rt. Hon. the Viscount Waverley, P.C., G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., F.R.S., at an official ceremony on 1st June 1954. Among those present were representatives of the University of London and of the Postgraduate Teaching Federation, urologists from many centres in the United Kingdom, and members of the staff of the associated hospitals. The following is a brief description of the ceremony published in the *Lancet* (12th June 1954) and reprinted by kind permission of the Editor :—

"The Institute of Urology, London, which was formally opened on 1st June, is an associated unit of the British Postgraduate Medical Federation. It came into being in 1946 and has already made useful contributions in both teaching and research, even though it has been housed in uncompleted premises. It does not have ready access to any large general



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FIG. 1
Institute of Urology



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FIG. 2
Lecture Theatre, Institute of Urology

hospital, but it has from the beginning been intimately associated with St Peter's and St Paul's Hospitals, and more recently it has acquired ward accommodation at St Philip's Hospital; it now has available a total of 138 beds. In addition to the resources in its own new building it will shortly be able to use new laboratories at St Paul's Hospital. Also it has links with the Royal Cancer Hospital and (for work on tuberculosis) with Harefield Hospital.

"The Institute is housed at 10 Henrietta Street (directly opposite St Peter's Hospital), which has been extensively modified and now includes a lecture-room, students' common-room, museum, laboratories, records room, library, photographic unit, and artists' studio. The house is old, and for the most part its character has been preserved. Two of the rooms are tastefully decorated in the Regency style, and there is an Adam mantelpiece (although a rather undistinguished example). The exterior on the ground floor displays an interesting architectural solution of the problem of how to graft an entirely modern design on part of an old building, with a nice balance between boldness and discretion.

"At the opening ceremony, held in a marquee pitched in the churchyard of St Paul's, Covent Garden, the inaugural declaration was made by Viscount Waverley, chairman of the governing body of the British Postgraduate Medical Federation, who remarked that St Peter's Hospital had engaged in postgraduate training as long ago as 1860, while St Paul's had taken a share in the work since 1928. The new building, he said, should enable the Institute to undertake fundamental researches on which it must rely to justify itself as time went on. There were speeches also by Mr A. R. G. Hudson, chairman of the committee of management, Mr Clifford Morson, chairman of the academic board, and Mr J. D. Fergusson, director of the Institute. Afterwards demonstrations were on view, including notably one of the cytological diagnosis of carcinoma of the prostate."

During the academic year 1954-55 a number of short courses in Urology will be held, commencing in the autumn as follows:—

1st, 2nd, 3rd October	Essentials of Urology
5th, 6th, 7th November	Higher Urology
3rd, 4th, 5th December	Advances in Urology

In addition the Institute is able to offer facilities for long-term clinical and laboratory study in the hospitals with which it is associated. Weekly lectures on urological subjects (open to all practitioners and postgraduate students) will be resumed in October, and details may be obtained from the Dean.

A brochure giving information concerning clinical and research facilities at the Institute may be obtained from the Secretary, 10 Henrietta Street, London, W.C.2.