

NEWS FROM HOME AND OVERSEAS

BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF UROLOGICAL SURGEONS

THE Eleventh Annual General Meeting was held at the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2, on Thursday, 30th June 1955, at 9.30 A.M.

The President, Mr T. J. Millin, was in the Chair.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 24th June 1954 were read and signed as correct.

Election of Members.—The following were elected members on the recommendation of the Council: Peter Owen Crassweller, Toronto; Frank Gordon Hollands, Derby; William Krogvig Kerr, Toronto; James Sturrock Peters, Melbourne; John Macaulay Hamilton Ross, Sunderland; Walter McCausland Scott, Doncaster.

Report of Council.—The report of the Council for 1954-55, which had been circulated, was received and adopted.

Report of the Honorary Treasurer and Balance-Sheet to 31st December 1954.—The audited accounts for the year 1954, which showed a surplus on the year's working of £136. 14s. 5d., were presented by the Honorary Treasurer and approved.

Election of Officers for 1955-56.—The following were elected Officers for 1955-56: *President*, Mr R. H. O. B. Robinson; *Vice-President*, Mr Arthur Jacobs; *Honorary Treasurer*, Mr J. G. Yates-Bell; *Honorary Secretary*, Mr Howard G. Hanley; *Honorary Editorial Secretary*, Mr David Band.

Election of Members of Council.—The following were elected members of Council to fill the vacancies: Mr J. D. Fergusson, Mr T. W. Mimpriss, Mr E. W. Riches, Mr J. Swinney.

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

1956 Annual Meeting.—The President reported that the 1956 Annual Meeting would be held in Liverpool on 28th, 29th, and 30th June, and that the Council had invited Professor Charles Wells to open the main discussion on "The Use of the Intestine in Urology."

It was agreed that a dance should be held during this meeting.

1957 Annual Meeting.—It was agreed that the 1957 Annual Meeting should be held in London and that the subject for discussion should be "Hypertension as a Urological Problem."

Joint Meeting with the Canadian Urological Association.—The President reported that the Canadian Urological Association was anxious to have a combined meeting with this Association. The Council had agreed that the usual Annual Meeting should be held in this country, but that, if possible, a combined meeting with the Canadian Urological Association should be arranged either in 1956 or 1957. Approximately twenty members indicated that they would be interested in such a meeting and a preference was shown for 1956.

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

1. "Cancer of the Kidney—Nephrectomy by the Posterior Approach." Mr Hugh Donovan (Birmingham).
2. "Descent of the Testicle in the First Year of Life." Mr C. G. Scorer (Hillingdon).
3. "The Congenital Anomalies of the Lower Urinary Tract." Professor Milroy Paul (Colombo).
4. "Biochemical Complications of Urinary Obstructions in Infants." Mr D. Innes Williams (London).
5. "Calcification and Calculus Formation in a Series of Sixty-six Cases of Primary Hyperparathyroidism." Professor John Hellstrom (Stockholm).

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 the Paraplegic Bladder," opened by Mr J. Cosbie Ross, Mr N. O. K. Gibbon, Mr David Band, and Dr A. G. Hardy.

The Annual Dinner was held at the Royal College of Surgeons in the evening and was attended by 134 members and their guests.

On Friday morning, 1st July, a discussion on "Calcification and Calculus Formation in the Upper Urinary Tract" was opened by Dr C. E. Dent, Mr L. N. Pyrah, Mr F. P. Raper, and Mr H. Hamilton Stewart.

Operating sessions and clinical demonstrations were held at various hospitals in the afternoon.

In the evening members and their guests were invited by the President and Council to a Cocktail Party at the Royal Society of Medicine.

On Saturday morning, 2nd July, the following short papers were read and films shown:—

Papers:

1. "Renal Hamartoma." (a) Mr C. L. O. Macalister (Bradford). (b) Mr H. Le Brun (London).
2. "Some Observations on the Genesis of Renal Tuberculosis." Mr C. I. Murphie (London).
3. "Papillomatosis of the Urethra." Mr A. Ashworth (Salford).
4. "Congenital Polycystic Disease." Mr W. Laird Milne (Glasgow).
5. "Practical Advantages of the Modified Single-hand Gersham-Thompson Cold Punch." Mr M. D. Sheppard (Chelmsford).

Films:

6. "Cineradiography of the Renal Tract." Mr Howard G. Hanley (London).
7. "Cineradiography of the Renal Tract." Dr L. Michon (Paris).

At a meeting of the Council held on 30th June 1955 the following were elected Associate Members: R. W. Doyle, F.R.C.S., Liverpool; B. B. Freshwater, F.R.C.S.E., Darlington, Durham; A. R. Harrison, M.D., M.R.C.P., London; John P. Maddern, F.R.C.S., Somerton, South Australia.