

NEWS FROM HOME AND OVERSEAS

BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF UROLOGICAL SURGEONS

THE Thirteenth Annual General Meeting was held at the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2, on Thursday, 27th June 1957, at 9.30 A.M.

The President, Mr R. H. O. B. Robinson, was in the Chair.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28th June 1956 were read and signed as correct.

Election of Members.—The following were elected members on the recommendation of the Council: Donal Richard Barnes, Cape Town, South Africa; G. Dougald Blue, Saskatoon, Canada; Abraham J. S. Burger, Cape Town, South Africa; Johan Nico de Klerk, Cape Town, South Africa; Patrick Joseph Pearce Dennehy, Johannesburg, South Africa; Willem Frederik de Villiers, Port Elizabeth, South Africa; Douglas Burland Duffy, Melbourne, Australia; Robert Mackenzie Honey, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia; Patrick Michael Kelly, London; Cyril David Kisner, Johannesburg, South Africa; Edward Lipworth, Johannesburg, South Africa; Thomas Peter Scannel McDonald, Pretoria, South Africa; Ignatius Petrus Maas, Pretoria, South Africa; Kenneth Whittle Martin, Worthing; Isaac Victor Rogoff, Johannesburg, South Africa; Edward Peter Row, Brisbane, Australia; Ernst Widrich, Johannesburg, South Africa.

Report of Council for 1956-57.—The report of the Council for 1956-57, which had been circulated, was received and adopted.

Report of the Honorary Treasurer and Balance-Sheet to 31st December 1956.—The audited accounts for the year 1956, which showed a surplus on the year's working of £152. 12s. 1d., were presented by the Honorary Treasurer and approved.

Election of Officers for 1957-58.—The following were elected Officers for 1957-58: *President*, Mr Arthur Jacobs; *Immediate Past President*, Mr R. H. O. B. Robinson; *Vice-President*, Mr Hugh Donovan; *Honorary Treasurer*, Professor Victor W. Dix; *Honorary Secretary*, Mr J. D. Fergusson; *Honorary Editorial Secretary*, Mr David Band.

Election of Members of Council.—The following were elected members of Council to fill the vacancies: Mr T. J. Millin, Mr R. A. Mogg, Mr D. S. Poole-Wilson.

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

1958 Annual Meeting.—The President reported that the 1958 Annual Meeting would be held in London on 19th, 20th, and 21st June. He stated that the Council had decided that the subject for the main discussion should be "Carcinoma of the Prostate" and not "Cancer of the Bladder" as originally planned.

1959 Annual Meeting.—The President reported that the 1959 Annual Meeting would be held in Glasgow and that the main discussion would be on "Hydronephrosis."

Abstracts of Papers read at Meetings.—Mr J. Grieve had suggested that abstracts of papers to be read at meetings should be issued to members. After discussion it was decided to take no action about this.

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

Films:

1. "Endoscopic Cinematography." Mr J. D. Fergusson and Mr A. R. C. Higham (London).
2. "The Possibilities of Cine-cystoscopy." Dr M. Jaupitre (Paris).
3. "Transurethral Resection." Dr Louis Michon (Paris).

Papers:

1. "Use of a New Type of Catheter for Urethral Drainage of the Bladder." Mr Norman Gibbon (Liverpool).
2. "Serum Protein Changes in Vesical and Prostatic Cancer: An Electrophoretic Study." Mr L. Stuart Scott (Glasgow).

In the afternoon members were invited to attend the meeting of the Section of Urology of the Royal Society of Medicine, at which there were discussions on (a) "Disturbances of Renal Physiology," opened by Dr A. G. Lewis, and (b) "The Uses of the Artificial Kidney," opened by Dr F. M. Parsons and Mr R. Shackman.

The Annual Dinner was held at the Royal College of Surgeons in the evening and was attended by 117 members and their guests.

On Friday morning, 28th June, a discussion on "Hypertension as a Urological Problem" was opened by Mr R. H. O. B. Robinson, Professor Clifford Wilson, and Dr H. E. de Wardener.

The following short papers were then read:—

1. "Nephrectomy for Hypertension." Mr A. I. L. Maitland.
2. "Total Adrenalectomy for Malignant Hypertension." Mr Howard G. Hanley.
3. "Hypotensive Anaesthesia." Mr Robert Cox.
4. "Phaeochromocytoma." Mr E. W. Riches.
5. "Polycystic Disease." Mr J. G. Yates-Bell.
6. "Renal Thrombosis and Renal Infarction." Mr R. A. Mogg.
7. "Radiation Nephritis." Dr W. M. Levitt.

In the afternoon the following short papers were read:—

1. "Is Hypertension in Hyperparathyroidism due to Renal Damage or some other Cause?" Professor J. Hellstrom (Stockholm).
2. "Partial Nephrectomy for Stone." Mr H. P. Winsbury-White (London).
3. "Hinchinck in Renal Tuberculosis." Mr A. Walsh (Dublin).
4. "Bladder-neck Sclerosis: Its Treatment by Retropubic Reconstruction." Mr C. L. O. Macalister (Bradford).

In the evening members and their guests were invited by the President and Council to a cocktail party at the Royal Society of Medicine. This was followed by a Buffet-Dance at the Lansdowne Club, which was attended by ninety members and their guests.

On Saturday morning, 29th June, a symposium was held on "Congenital Bladder-neck Obstruction and Mega-ureter," the speakers being Mr D. Innes Williams, Dr Martin Bodian, Mr Barry O'Donnell, Dr David Edwards, and Mr G. F. Murnaghan. This was followed by a short paper and film on "The Peripheral Control of Micturition: A Cine-radiographic Study" by Mr Marco Caine and Dr D. Edwards (London).

At a meeting of the Council held on 27th June 1957 the following were elected Associate Members: L. P. Clark, F.R.C.S., Sidcup; Arsene Klidjian, F.R.C.S., Royal Air Force; Kenneth Owen, M.S., F.R.C.S., London; R. P. Schach, F.R.C.S.E., Johannesburg, South Africa; L. D. Wheeler, M.S., F.R.A.C.S., Newtown, N.S.W., Australia.

UROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALASIA

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Urological Society of Australasia will be held at Christchurch, New Zealand, from Tuesday, 18th February, to Friday, 21st February 1958.

L. D. WHEELER,

Honorary Secretary.

SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL CANCER CONGRESS, LONDON, 1958

Those planning to attend the Seventh International Cancer Congress, which will take place at the Royal Festival Hall, London, from 6th to 12th July 1958, are reminded that enrolment forms must be received at the Congress Office (45 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2) by 1st January 1958 if a late fee is not to be incurred. Registration forms may be obtained from the Secretary-General at that address.

THE CHILEAN SOCIETY OF UROLOGY

The Third Chilean Congress of Urology will take place in Vina del Mar from 20th to 23rd November 1957. This is spring-time in Chile, and the right time to come. An interesting programme has been arranged, the subjects for discussion being: (1) Cancer of the Bladder; (2) Conservative Surgery—pyelo-ureteral, vesico-ureteral; (3) Puncture Biopsy in Urology. The President of the Society is Dr Jose Bisquertt T., and the Secretary is Dr Luis Corbalan R. Further information may be obtained from the office of the Society: Agustinas 972, Oficina 547, Santiago, Chile.