

Morant's scheme for the co-ordination of the voluntary and Poor Law hospital systems. During the war he was employed by the War Office in the medical examination of persons injured in air raids. When he left the Ministry of Health in 1921 he engaged in general practice in Perranporth, where he was widely popular. He joined the British Medical Association in 1886, and was a Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine. He leaves a great tradition of devoted public service and clinical and administrative ability, and of zeal for the alleviation of human distress.

The death is announced of Professor PIERRE MENETRIER at the Lisieux Hospital as the result of a motor accident. He was born in 1859, and was the author of many works on morbid anatomy and bacteriology. The former were largely concerned with malignant disease, and he was a pioneer in the experimental generation of cancer. He was professor of the history of medicine, and in 1930 was elected president, of the French Academy of Medicine.

We have to record with much regret the death of Mrs. GERTRUDE M. FULLER on September 21st, widow of Charles Chinner Fuller, F.R.C.S., who practised at St. Andrew's Place, Regent's Park, and died in November, 1902. Mrs. Fuller was closely associated with the work of the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, and for twenty-five years gave her services in the interest of medical charities.

The following well-known foreign medical men have recently died: Professor EMIL MATTAUSCHEK, the Viennese psychiatrist and collaborator of Professor Wagner Jauregg in the malariotherapy of syphilis; Dr. FRITZ EICHELBERG, extraordinary professor of psychiatry at Göttingen, aged 54; Professor CARL STERNBERG, head of the pathological institute of the General Policlinic, Vienna, aged 62; and Dr. CORTES PASTOR, president of the Medical College, Valencia.

The Services

DEATHS IN THE SERVICES

Lieut.-Colonel James Dorgan, R.A.M.C. (ret.), died on September 1st at the Flagstaff House Convalescent Home at Southport, Lancs. He was born on October 13th, 1873, and educated at Queen's College, Cork, graduating M.B., Ch.B., and B.A.O. of the Royal University of Ireland in 1898. He also took the D.P.H. of the Irish Colleges with honours in 1903. Entering the R.A.M.C. as lieutenant on April 25th, 1900, he became lieutenant-colonel on December 26th, 1917, and retired on February 18th, 1925. He served in the war of 1914-18, and in 1916-17 held the post of A.D.M.S. of the 16th Army Corps in the Salonika Force.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

R. Passmore, B.M.Oxon, has been elected Gwyneth Pretty student for three years from October 1st, 1935. C. M. Fletcher, B.A. (Trinity), has been re-elected to the Michael Foster Research studentship.

Titles of medical degrees were conferred by diploma on the following women during July: *M.B.*: Mrs. A. M. Stewart (Girton). *B.Chir.*: A. G. Carr (Newnham); Mrs. H. M. Wilson (Girton).

UNIVERSITY OF WALES

WELSH NATIONAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

The opening address for the new session 1935-6 will be given in the lecture theatre of the Institute of Physiology, Newport Road, Cardiff, by Sir George Newman, G.B.E., K.C.B., on Tuesday, October 8th, at 5 p.m. The lecture is entitled "The New Purpose of Medicine," and the Bishop of Monmouth, president of the School, will preside.

Medical News

The Semon Lecture will be delivered at the Royal Society of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, on Thursday, October 31st, at 5 p.m., by Sir StClair Thomson, who has chosen for his subject "The Defences of the Air Passages." The lecture is under the auspices of the University of London, and the chair will be taken by the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. H. L. Eason.

The Royal College of Surgeons of England announces a special lecture on the treatment of inoperable malignant tumours with the toxins of erysipelas and *Bacillus prodigiosus*, based on a study of end-results from 1893 to 1934, by Dr. W. B. Coley, to be delivered in the theatre of the College in Lincoln's Inn Fields, on Thursday, October 10th, at 5.30 p.m.

The annual dinner of the Westminster Hospital Medical School will be held at the Trocadero Restaurant, Piccadilly, to-day (Saturday, September 28th). The inaugural address for the new session will be given at the Caxton Hall, Westminster, on Monday, September 30th, at 3 p.m., by Major Ian Hay Beith, whose subject is "The Privileged Profession."

The annual dinner of past and present students of Charing Cross Hospital Medical School will take place on October 5th at the Café Royal, Regent Street, at 7.30 for 8 p.m., with the Rev. A. W. Oxford, M.D., in the chair; tickets 10s. each. The post-graduate course will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 5th and 6th, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The annual prize distribution and conversazione of the School of Dental Surgery of the Royal Dental Hospital of London will take place at the hospital, Leicester Square, on Friday, October 4th, at 8 p.m., under the presidency of the Right Hon. Sir Francis Dyke Acland, Bt., M.P., chairman of the Dental Board.

At the opening of the ninety-fourth session of the School of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain on Wednesday, October 2nd, at 3 p.m., the inaugural address will be given by Sir Frederick Gowland Hopkins, O.M., P.R.S.

The 1935-6 session of the West London Medico-Chirurgical Society opens on Friday, October 4th, at 8.30 p.m., when Dr. Bernard Myers will deliver his presidential address at West London Hospital, entitled "Clinical Reminiscences." Other meetings have been arranged as follows: November 1st, Dr. C. E. Newman, Dr. H. E. Archer, Dr. H. W. Post, and Mr. Neil Sinclair will speak on "Diseases of the Gall-bladder"; December 6th, discussion on "The Medical Witness," in which the speakers will be Sir Bernard Spilsbury, Dr. Edwin Smith, and Sir William Willcox; January 10th, 1936, discussion on "Pain in the Chest," to be opened by Dr. J. F. Halls Dally, Dr. L. S. T. Burrell, and Dr. D. Evan Bedford; February 7th, discussion on "Epistaxis," to be opened by Dr. Geoffrey Evans and Mr. C. Hamblen Thomas; March 6th and May 1st, clinical and pathological meetings; April 3rd, discussion on "The Treatment of Fractures," to be opened by Professor E. W. Hey Groves and Mr. B. Sangster Simmonds.

At the opening of the new session of the London (Royal Free Hospital) School of Medicine for Women on Tuesday, October 1st, at 3 p.m., an address will be given by Sir Walter Moberly, chairman of the University Grants Committee.

A meeting of the Society of Public Analysts will be held on Wednesday, October 2nd, at the Chemical Society's Rooms, Burlington House, Piccadilly, at 8 p.m., when Dr. H. E. Cox will present Part VI of a study of the chemical examination of furs in relation to dermatitis.

A course of twelve lectures in ophthalmological technique and ocular surgery will be held by Professor Terrien at the Hôtel-Dieu, Paris, on October 18th. The fee is 300 francs. Further information can be obtained from the Secrétariat, 12, Rue de l'École de Médecine, Paris, 6e.

The Kingston-on-Thames Division of the British Medical Association announces a medico-legal discussion, open to all members of the medical and legal professions, on "Insanity as a Defence in Criminal Cases," to be opened by Dr. Doris Odlum, representing the medical view, and Mr. G. B. McClure, representing the legal view. The meeting will be held at the Kingston Hospital on Tuesday, October 8th, at 8.30 p.m. Judge Dodson, who is a judge of the Central Criminal Court, will take the chair and sum up after the general discussion.

A post-graduate course will be held at the medical faculty of Leipzig University from October 21st to 26th, on the recognition and treatment of tumours. The course is gratuitous apart from a registration fee of 5 marks. Further information can be obtained from Das Sekretariat der Medizin Fakultät, Augustusplatz 5, Leipzig, C.1.

An intensive post-graduate course will be held at King's College Hospital Medical School on Saturday and Sunday, October 5th and 6th.

The Fellowship of Medicine (1, Wimpole Street, W.) announces the following courses: dermatology at St. John's Hospital, September 30th to October 31st; proctology at Gordon Hospital, September 30th to October 5th; cardiology at National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart, October 7th to 18th; medicine and surgery at Metropolitan Hospital, October 7th to 19th; anatomy and physiology course for Primary F.R.C.S. examination at Infants Hospital, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 8 p.m., October 7th to November 29th. Week-end courses, suitable for general practitioners, will be given as follows: fevers at Park Hospital, October 5th and 6th (also suitable for M.R.C.P. candidates); heart and lung diseases at Royal Chest Hospital, October 12th and 13th; obstetrics at City of London Maternity Hospital, October 19th and 20th; physical medicine at St. John Clinic and Institute of Physical Medicine, October 26th and 27th. Lectures and lecture-demonstrations will be given as follows: *x*-ray interpretation at the Medical Society of London, September 30th to October 4th, at 5 p.m.; endocrinology at National Temperance Hospital, Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 8.30 p.m.; gynaecology at Medical Society of London, Thursdays, October 10th to November 7th, at 4 p.m. Courses arranged by the Fellowship of Medicine are open only to its members and associates.

The French Congress of Oto-rhino-laryngology will be held on October 14th at the Paris Faculty of Medicine, under the presidency of M. Lafite-Dupont of Bordeaux. The subjects for discussion will be: the treatment of otogenic meningitis, introduced by MM. A. Moulouguet of Paris and J. Piquet and P. Detobel of Lille; and the surgical treatment of otospongiosis, introduced by M. Maurice Sourdilles of Nantes. Further information can be obtained from the general secretary, M. Henri Flurin, Caunterets, Hautes-Pyrénées, France.

The thirty-first Congress of the Italian Society of Laryngology, Otology, and Rhinology will be held at Bologna from October 20th to 22nd, when the subject for discussion will be inflammation of the petrous bone, introduced by Professors Gino Merelli and Salvatore Traina.

The seventh pan-American Congress of the Child will be held at Mexico City from October 12th to 19th under the patronage of the President of the Mexican Republic and the presidency of Dr. Abraham Ayala Gonzalez. The sixth congress was held at Lima in 1930.

The twenty-fourth Congress of the German Society for Gynaecology will be held at Munich from October 22nd to 26th, when discussions will be held on eugenic sterilization, sterility, climate, light and bath treatment, and the liver in pregnancy.

The twelfth Congress of the German Pharmacological Society will be held at Munich from October 20th to the 23rd. Further information can be obtained from the president, Professor Janssen, Pharmakologisches Institut, Freiburg i.B., or from the secretary, Professor B. Behrens, Pharmakologisches Institut, Dorotheenstrasse 28, Berlin, N.W.7.

The British Health Resorts Association is holding a conference at Margate this week-end at the Winter Gardens. The subject for the morning session on Saturday is "Town Planning at the Seaside," and at the afternoon session "Convalescence on the Thanet Coast."

The Institute of Medical Psychology (Malet Place, W.C.) has issued a list of lecture courses arranged for 1935-6, full particulars of which may be obtained from the educational secretary at the Institute.

An international society of criminal anthropology and psychology has recently been founded in Paris. The first congress will be held in Rome.

A small reception was held at the Marie Curie Hospital on September 16th to inaugurate the new diagnostic *x*-ray apparatus, which was the gift of Miss E. Stoney in memory of her sister, Dr. Florence Stoney, a pioneer radiologist.

The issue of the *Schweizerische medizinische Wochenschrift* for September 14th is devoted to the proceedings of the International Congress held at Montreux from September 9th to 14th, and includes an address by Sir Henry Dale on the pharmacology of ergot.

The King has appointed Dr. N. J. L. Margetson (Medical Officer, District 1) to be an Official Member of the Executive Council of the Presidency of Montserrat for a further period.

The German Röntgen Society has recently elected as honorary members Dr. Antoine Béclère of Paris, Professor Rudolf Jaksch-Wartenhorst of Prague, Mr. Charles Thurstan Holland of Liverpool, Professor J. M. Woodburn Morison of London, and Dr. Pfahler of Philadelphia.

Dr. Albert Döderlein, professor of obstetrics and gynaecology at Munich, and Dr. Anton Eiselberg, professor of surgery at Vienna, recently celebrated their seventy-fifth birthday.

Letters, Notes, and Answers

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QUERIES AND ANSWERS

Circumcision in Female Children

Dr. W. H. NELSON (Subiaco, Western Australia) writes: In the *Journal* of May 4th (p. 961) "F.R.C.S." asks for information regarding circumcision in female children. If Dudley's *Principles and Practice of Gynaecology* is still in existence [this is obtainable in the B.M.A. Library] he will find the operation fully detailed and illustrated in a very plain manner under the title "Malformation of the Nymphae, Clitoris, and Prepuce."