

## Obituary

### PROF. J. SHAW DUNN

Dr. A. PINEY writes:

May I pay a tribute to the memory of John Shaw Dunn, who held the chair of pathology in Birmingham when I was lecturer in pathology? The obituary notice in the *Journal* ignores the qualities of Shaw Dunn as a teacher and as a man. He was an excellent and lucid exponent of pathology, and everyone who attended his demonstrations in the post-mortem room was enthralled by his clarity. Admittedly, for a time after he started his work in Birmingham, both students and junior pathologists were very much in awe of his rather cold manner. It was not long, however, before he was described in the students' magazine as "a facultative humorist of the dry type"; and his personal popularity became so firmly established that there was much regret when he went to Manchester. Others who have worked with Shaw Dunn more recently than I can doubtless add much to our knowledge of him; but I feel strongly that the extreme honesty of mind, the care in the preparation of lectures, and the essential kindness and humour of this outstanding figure among modern pathologists should be emphasized.

Dr. WILLIAM HABGOOD, who died in retirement at Bournemouth on June 6, aged 81, was medical officer of health for Sutton, Surrey, from 1908 to 1934. He studied medicine at King's College Hospital, and after qualifying as M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., and L.S.A. in the early 'eighties, took the Brussels M.D. degree in 1888, and the D.P.H. of the English Conjoint Board in 1893. Before his appointment at Sutton and Cheam Dr. Habgood had been assistant M.O.H. at Cardiff and at Nottingham and assistant school medical officer under the Surrey Education Committee. He joined the B.M.A. in 1887, was secretary of the Section of Psychology at the Annual Meeting of 1891, and vice-president of the Section of Medical Jurisprudence at the Aberdeen Meeting in 1914.

Dr. HILTA INES CHRISTINA MORLEY, with her husband, Stephen Charles Morley of the Nigerian Marine Department, has died by enemy action at sea. Her maiden name was Pfister and she had a distinguished student career in the University of Western Australia, Perth, where she graduated B.A. (with first-class honours) in 1920, and in the University of Edinburgh, where she graduated M.B., Ch.B. (with first-class honours) in 1925. Dr. Morley had been lecturer in physiology at the University of Birmingham, medical officer to St. Alfege's Hospital, Greenwich, and senior house-surgeon to the Elsie Inglis Maternity Hospital, Edinburgh. She joined the B.M.A. in 1926 and took the D.P.H. of the Conjoint Board in London in 1931. Until lately she had lived at Cheltenham.

With the passing of JOSEPH WALKER, M.R.C.S., L.S.A., on June 18 at the ripe age of 93 years the Liverpool Division has lost a courtly Victorian physician. He first settled in the district at Kirkby in 1888, and in 1899 came to Bootle, where he practised for 40 years before retiring to Formby. He joined the B.M.A. in 1884 and quickly became interested in medical politics. He was Representative for Liverpool Division at six Annual Meetings, and had been chairman of the Division. He took a great deal of interest in the first National Health Insurance Act, and though he never joined the panel he was always ready to help those practitioners who wished to join; he served on the Bootle Insurance Committee for some years and went as a representative of the Bootle Local Medical and Panel Committee to the Annual Panel Conference. He also took a great interest in the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, and for many years was honorary secretary for Bootle. In motoring he was one of the pioneers, and I well remember his De Dion single-cylinder car. He was an avid reader of his *Journal*, and whether it was an academic leading article or a medico-political point which affected the profession generally, he was as ready to discuss the one as he was to repudiate the other; his grasp of the essential point was great, and his judgment almost unerring and at times uncanny. To the younger generation of doctors he was most kind, always ready to help with sound, fatherly advice, tempered with a gentle humour that endeared him to all fellow practitioners and patients alike.—E. I. C.

Dr. JEAN GWENNETH BRABNER died by enemy action last month while on hospital duty. She was the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brabner of Harley, Loughton, Essex, and only entered the profession this year, qualifying as M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., and joining the British Medical Association.

The death is announced at Sandgate, Kent, of Dr. WALTER DENBY, formerly of Bradford, aged 83. He graduated M.B., C.M. at the University of Edinburgh in 1887 and proceeded M.D. in 1898. After serving as house-surgeon at the Bradford Royal Infirmary he practised for 30 years in Great Horton Road, Bradford, and was senior surgeon to St. Catherine's Home for Cancer and Incurables. Dr. Denby joined the British Medical Association as long ago as 1888; he retired from work in 1924.

## The Services

The announcement concerning Capt. R. Fletcher, R.A.M.C., published in a *Supplement* to the *London Gazette* dated April 6 and in the *Journal* of April 29 (p. 605) as mentioned in dispatches should have read Capt. (Temp. Major) R. T. Fletcher, R.A.M.C.

Owing to a printer's error the name of Wing Cmdr. G. B. Grayling, R.A.F.V.R., published in the *Journal* of July 1 (p. 29) as mentioned in dispatches, was incorrectly spelt.

### CASUALTIES IN THE MEDICAL SERVICES

Capt. SAMUEL CHARLES HOLLAND HOOD was killed by enemy action in Normandy on July 13 at the age of 25, being struck by a mortar shell while actually attending to wounded. He received his education at Tonbridge School, Caius College, Cambridge, and the Middlesex Hospital. The final part of his clinical training was carried out at the Royal Hospital, Wolverhampton, and he obtained the Conjoint diplomas in 1942 and the M.B., B.Ch. the following year. Mr. R. Milnes Walker writes: After qualifying he held for a short time a resident post at the Hallam Hospital, West Bromwich, and was subsequently house-surgeon at Wolverhampton. While there he won the respect of all those who worked with him by his conscientious attention to his duties and the diligence with which he carried out his work. He was rapidly developing a sound critical judgment. His especial interest lay in the study of diseases of the chest, and he had hoped after the war to follow this up by further study of tuberculosis. While at Cambridge he was a member of the Cambridge University Scientific Expedition to North-East Greenland. His commanding officer writes in glowing terms of the exceptional way in which he carried out his work during the first difficult days in Normandy.

Wounded.—Temp. Major F. L. Cane, War Subs. Capt. C. Moore, War Subs. Lieut. A. S. Smith, R.A.M.C.

Died of wounds.—Capt. C. H. Blackham, R.A.M.C.

Reported prisoner of war.—Capt. G. S. Hodge, R.A.M.C.

## Universities and Colleges

### UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

At a Congregation on July 1 the following degrees were conferred:

HON. M.D.—H. Guy Dain, M.B., LL.D.  
HON. M.Ch.—W. Warwick James, O.B.E., F.R.C.S.  
FINAL M.B., Ch.B.—R. Astley, R. F. Baird, Kathleen J. Bee, Katharine N. Bentley, D. H. Blake, M. B. Clitheroe, Hilary B. J. Cooke, J. Cox, J. H. Cox, D. F. Davies, H. Geuter, Marguerite C. B. Grove, H. Y. Hain, F. M. Hall, H. Hughes, C. V. Kaula, J. G. Kendall, M. M. Lidgate, J. A. Litchfield, M. J. Lower, J. F. G. W. Marson, Winifred M. Mitchell, E. H. Mucklow, T. Mucklow, K. O. M. B. O'Meara, E. A. O'Neill, N. L. Owen, J. A. P. Peirce, P. G. H. T. Pollitt, J. G. W. Poole, R. D. Poole, R. J. P. Pugh, E. T. Radford, R. G. W. Reeves, R. L. S. Richard, J. E. F. Riley, Audrey F. Roberts, B. S. Rose, R. W. Spencer, L. S. Stephens, E. J. Wadge.

The following scholarships, medals, and prizes have been awarded:

Queen's Scholarship (third year), L. W. Robinson; (fourth year) J. M. D. Roberts. Ingleby Scholarship, J. M. Mynors. Foxwell Memorial Medal, Margaret D. Thompson. Gamgee Memorial Medal, Margaret L. Hampton. Priestley Smith Prize in Ophthalmology, Butterworth Prize, and Queen's Scholarship (final year), Theresa Lazar. Queen's Scholarship (fifth year), J. R. G. Bastable. Leith-Newman Prizes in Pathology (fourth year): Medical, R. F. Martin; Dental, E. A. Marsland. Thompson Prize in Anatomy (third year), L. W. Robinson. Russell Memorial Prize, F. G. W. Marson. Windle Prize in Anatomy, M. G. FitzGerald. Barritt Melson Memorial Gold Medal, O. P. Gray.

<sup>1</sup>Distinction in Medicine. <sup>2</sup>Distinction in Surgery.

### UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN

The following medical degrees were conferred on June 28 in the School of Physic, Trinity College, Dublin:

M.D.—F. S. Stewart.  
M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.—M. L. Abrahamson, S. Barnes, R. W. Barter, F. J. Burns, D. D. Crilly, J. J. Cussen, H. E. Devlin, L. Doyle, B. V. Earle, R. E. Fenelon, Mary Fitzmaurice, D. A. Good, W. E. R. Hackett, H. R. Hanna, Millicent R. Hopkins, W. H. Houston, A. R. B. Jackson, W. G. Keane, R. D. Levis, D. D. McGrath, M. S. Millard, I. R. Moore, Betty R. O'Grady, E. G. Redman, J. P. R. Rees, H. H. Robinson, L. M. Roe, Margaret E. Rutherford, S. N. Rutherford, W. H. Rutherford, J. B. Ryder, Betty D. Scott, J. M. Stewart, V. O. Stewart, C. W. Sweetnam, A. B. Walsh, Mary L. Grove-White (formerly Wilson), W. T. C. Wilson.

## UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

The following have been successful at recent examinations:

M.D.—S. Wray.  
FINAL M.B., Ch.B. (Part I).—Rhoda M. Allison, Betty S. Astle, Joan L. Awmack, J. G. Benstead, 2G. L. Bickler, E. G. Brewin, J. L. Broadbent, 2A. K. Daniels, 12J. Davies, P. B. Dews, O. P. Edmonds, G. R. Fryers, R. L. Gibson, Pauline H. Goss, Gertrude Harris, M. H. M. Harrison, J. R. Heseltine, Mary A. Hewett, J. D. Holdsworth, Dorothy D. Jones, L. Langton, F. A. Lodge, F. D. Lumb, 2J. McKennell, D. H. McMillan, Marjorie S. Oxley, J. G. Pearson, R. E. Riley, Joan M. Robinson, L. B. Robinson, 2R. J. Scothorne, H. Shooman, 12F. G. Smiddy, J. G. Smirk, Stella A. Speight, G. M. Thornton, E. J. S. Townsend, L. E. Wear, 2R. W. Wilkinson, 2Elizabeth Wilman, L. E. Wood, 2A. S. Woodcock, Ellen L. M. Wreford, H. J. Wright, A. D. Zermansky, D. Zimmerman. *Therapeutics*: Betty S. Astle, Joan L. Awmack, 3G. L. Bickler, J. L. Broadbent, K. J. Burnett, P. S. R. Burrell, A. K. Daniels, 3J. Davies, P. B. Dews, R. L. Gibson, Pauline H. Goss, D. G. Hardy, Elizabeth M. Hargreaves, 3M. H. M. Harrison, Edith V. Heritage, J. R. Heseltine, Mary A. Hewett, J. D. Holdsworth, Dorothy D. Jones, Catherine M. Lamplugh, 3L. Langton, F. A. Lodge, J. McKennell, D. H. McMillan, J. G. Pearson, R. E. Riley, Joan M. Robinson, L. B. Robinson, R. J. Scothorne, H. Shooman, R. Sloman, F. G. Smiddy, Stella A. Speight, G. M. Thornton, L. E. Wear, R. W. Wilkinson, Elizabeth Wilman, L. E. Wood, A. S. Woodcock, Ellen L. M. Wreford, 3H. J. Wright, A. D. Zermansky, D. Zimmerman.

1 Distinction in Public Health. 2 Distinction in Forensic Medicine.

3 Distinction in Therapeutics.

## UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

M.D.—G. J. C. Brittain, P. Jones.  
M.B., Ch.B.—1 J. V. Shephard. *Part III*: P. M. Edis, K. B. N. Freeman, N. J. Gourdji, Ethel J. Higgitt, Constance G. Lee, Margaret J. Lezama, J. K. Meiring, Margaret Slater, A. Stone, Barbara K. Thompson, R. S. Williams. *Passed in Separate Subjects*: E. H. Anells and A. Griffith (Medicine, Obstetrics, and Gynaecology), D. A. Harbord (Medicine and Surgery). *Part II*: H. B. Andrews, A. D. Charney, E. Cooper, 3K. R. Dumbell, S. Gillis, J. T. W. Jones, S. Lipton, J. B. Roberts. *Passed in Separate Subject*: M. M. I. el Haddad (Public Health).

1 Second-class honours. 2 Distinction in Surgery. 3 Distinction in Public Health.

## UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

M.D.—H. W. Clegg, E. L. Jones, 1E. L. Patterson, 2F. Stratton, Elizabeth C. S. Williams, R. V. Wright.  
FINAL M.B., Ch.B.—34R. W. Burslem, 3J. H. Diggle, 3Constance M. Duddle, 345John Hewett, 3P. Jewsbury, 345L. A. Liversedge, 34S. Oleesky, 3A. E. Thomas, F. Batley, D. G. Berry, Doreen M. M. Dutton, J. D. Heppleston, R. Heirons, 6Marian E. Jepson, F. Latham, Margaret M. Lawton, J. Leary, Marian B. T. McIntosh, Joan A. Mettam, B. Nicholson, T. A. Nowell, Nancy B. Penney, Leslie Rose, B. Samuels, P. W. E. Sheldon, J. A. Shrigley, H. Tabbush, G. S. Tupman, W. V. Wadsworth, G. H. Watson, B. Wilkins. *Part I (Forensic Medicine and Hygiene and Preventive Medicine)*: Ruth A. Ainsworth, Constance Atkinson, George Bennett, J. L. Braithwaite, Merton Brookes, N. J. Caldwell, Ethel F. Caplan, Dorothy B. Charlton, C. L. Dubberley, Mary E. Eagles, S. S. Epstein, G. C. Fletcher, J. H. H. Gibbon, Doreen H. Hayes, F. Howarth, P. Jewsbury, Margaret Laycock, L. A. Liversedge, Kathleen V. Lodge, K. Lowe, B. Marsden, Kathleen P. E. Mumford, Sylvia N. Nabarro, J. A. Noblett, Joan E. Nuttall, M. H. Oelbaum, S. Oleesky, A. O. Osbaldeston, N. J. Roussak, E. P. Samuel, M. G. Saunders, Cecilia M. Smellie, J. P. Smith, Margaret E. Tate, Margaret M. Tutton, Marie R. West, Alice R. E. Widdows, J. D. Willins, Eric Wood, J. Wiseman.

1 Gold medal. 2 With commendation. 3 Awarded second-class honours. 4 Distinction in medicine. 5 Distinction in surgery. 6 Distinction in obstetrics.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

On July 6 three Fellows were elected into the Council to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement in rotation of Sir Robert Kelly, Mr. C. Max Page, and Major-Gen. W. H. Ogilvie. The following Fellows were elected:

William Heneage Osilvie (Guy's)	572
Charles Max Page, C.B., D.S.O. (St. Thomas's)	490
Geoffrey Langdon Keynes (St. Bartholomew's)	341

The following were the other candidates:

Robert John McNeill Love (Royal Northern Hospital)	284
Percival John Moir, M.C. (General Infirmary, Leeds)	257
Victor Ewings Ngus (King's College Hospital)	216
Robert Milnes Walker (Royal Hospital, Wolverhampton)	209
Arthur Dickson Wright (St. Mary's)	183
Herbert Henry Sampson, O.B.E., M.C. (Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham)	180
Rodney Honor Maingot (Royal Waterloo Hospital)	167
Charles Alexander Wells (Royal Liverpool United (Royal Southern) Hospital)	166
Stanford Cade (Westminster)	147
Charles Walter Gordon Bryan, M.C. (St. Mary's)	79

In all 1,238 voted; in addition 3 votes were found to be invalid. Major-Gen. W. H. Ogilvie, Mr. C. Max Page, and Air Vice-Marshal G. L. Keynes are all elected for the full period of eight years.

## Medical Notes in Parliament

## Feeding Scottish School-children

The House of Commons discussed the Scottish education estimates in Committee of Supply on June 4. Mr. JOHNSTON said that there was an increase in the general aid grant amounting to £436,000. Of this, £398,000 would go to the education authorities and the balance to technical colleges and central institutes generally. The increase of £398,000 to the local authorities included a grant of £184,000 for meals and milk in schools. The school-feeding grants had risen from £471,000 to £655,000. This campaign for feeding in schools, which was launched in the autumn of 1941, had been pursued with increasing vigour. The number of children receiving dinners at schools had increased from 50,000 in December, 1941, to 175,000 in February, 1944, and during the past year the numbers receiving dinner had increased by 50,000 and those receiving lunches by almost 2,000. The percentage receiving meals at school was now over 25, an increase of 6% on the figure for 1943 and of 14% on that for 1942. The number of pupils receiving milk at school, as apart from meals, had increased by 14,000 during the past twelve months and was now almost 69% of the entire school population of Scotland.

While school medical examinations had been restricted in most parts of the country, what evidence there was in the remainder continuing examinations went to show that the health of the school-child was steadily improving, and in Glasgow in particular the height and weight of the school-child both at entry to the registers and at the school-leaving dates were materially improving over the figures for the last pre-war years.

## Diagnosis of Smallpox at Mount Vernon Hospital

On July 4 Mr. VIANI asked the Minister of Health, in connexion with the announcements of his Department in the Press and on the radio in regard to the outbreak of smallpox at Mount Vernon Hospital, why no mention was made of the fact that the disease was introduced into the hospital by a re-vaccinated soldier from the Middle East who was wrongly diagnosed as suffering from measles and chicken-pox, why the patient was not isolated, how this wrong diagnosis arose, and what steps he proposed to take to minimize the risk of similar mistakes in future. Mr. WILLINK said that a statement to the effect indicated in the first part of the question was issued by his Department and was published in the medical press and in at least one lay newspaper. He was informed that the patient was isolated, first for measles and chicken-pox, and later, as soon as smallpox was diagnosed, in a smallpox hospital. The signs and symptoms observed by competent medical officers did not lead them to diagnose smallpox. This diagnosis was made retrospectively in the light of subsequent events. Diagnosis was a matter for the medical officer in attendance, but, since many medical men had had no opportunity of familiarizing themselves with smallpox, he had enrolled in each region a panel of experienced men to assist in diagnosis.

## Medical Services of Ministry of Pensions

Introducing, on July 7, the Estimates for the Ministry of Pensions, Sir WALTER WOMERSLEY said his medical staff continued to set themselves a high standard of professional and administrative efficiency. In recent weeks Mr. Paling and he had visited a number of Ministry hospitals. Everywhere they found complete efficiency and readiness to meet the heavier calls which must come as the war progressed. In spite of the man-power difficulties medical and hospital staffs would be found ready to meet all the demands upon them. One of the Ministry's hospitals had been put to a severe test, as it was called upon to assist the Service Departments by acting as a clearing station for casualties brought back to this country from the time of the landing in Normandy. Many hundreds of men had passed through it, leaving as soon as they were ready for removal to another hospital for prolonged treatment. The arrangements had been completely satisfactory to the Service Departments. Another hospital had been adapted as a base hospital for battle casualties coming from a clearing station. There, also, all requirements were fully met. Up to April 1, 1944, officials of the Ministry of Labour interviewed 150,000 disabled persons in hospital so that the question of employment could be considered before discharge. Care was taken during hospital treatment to rehabilitate the disabled man and make him as fully able to work as possible. The result had been that 35,000 of those interviewed were able to take jobs which they knew to be available for them, and 88,000 suitable for immediate employment were at once placed in jobs. Of

An appeal for funds to provide a General Orde Charles Wingate Memorial Ward in the Princess Tshahi Memorial Hospital at Addis Ababa was launched at a meeting of friends of Ethiopia held in London recently. Donations may be sent to the hon. treasurer, Lord Horder, c/o H. Reynolds and Co., 1, Bloomsbury Court, High Holborn, W.C.1.