

all the students, and he displayed a lively interest in their work. In the mess he showed his wide general knowledge of the sciences, continually putting pointed and stimulating questions to his juniors. A colleague writes: Dr. Smyth's professional interests were wide, but he made a special study of venereal disease and dermatology. Some of his work is displayed in two papers on the use of salvarsan. In the last war he was civil surgeon at the Royal Military Infirmary and Portobello Military Hospital in Dublin. Later he served as captain, R.A.M.C., in Malta and Salonika, where he met Dr. Janet Park Walton, whom he married, and who has, especially in the final years of failing health, given him great assistance in his work. In 1918 Dr. Smyth settled down with his wife in general practice in Coldharbour Lane, London, where he soon became widely known and popular, and where he practised for twenty-six years. He was a member of the B.M.A. and a Fellow of the London Dermatological Society. All his spare time he devoted to the work of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, to which he was divisional surgeon, being lecturer and examiner for South London. He was an enthusiastic Freemason. Harry Smyth had a keen sense of humour, which helped to endear him to his patients, who often came to him for friendly advice as well as for medical attention. He was loved by children and animals, with whom there speedily sprang up mutual understanding and affection. Many of the people of Loughborough Junction and Herne Hill, to which he extended his practice in 1928, have cause to mourn the passing of a beloved physician and friend.

Dr. GUY FOSTER BARHAM, late medical superintendent of Claybury Mental Hospital, died on Aug. 30 at Gorran Haven, Cornwall. He began the study of medicine at Cambridge University, taking his B.A. in 1895, and went on to the London Hospital, qualifying M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. in 1901. He graduated M.B. at Cambridge in 1903 and proceeded M.D. in 1912. He was for a time house-surgeon at the Poplar Hospital and started his career in psychiatry at the London County Mental Hospital, Long Grove, where he was serving as senior medical officer at the time when the L.C.C. appointed him to be chief of Claybury Hospital. Dr. Foster Barham was a member of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association; he joined the B.M.A. in 1918 and served for six years at headquarters on the committee appointed by the Council to consider lunacy law and mental disorders. He published papers in the *Journal of Mental Science* and in the *Archives of Neurology and Psychiatry*.

Dr. WILLIAM MARTIN FROBISHER, who had practised for over 50 years in Leeds, died in retirement at Headingley on Aug. 30. He was a descendant of Sir Martin Frobisher, the famous 16th century navigator. He studied medicine at Leeds and took the M.R.C.S. diploma in 1897; before settling in practice he held a house appointment at the General Infirmary at Leeds. His elder son, Dr. J. H. M. Frobisher of Forest Row, Sussex, served in the R.A.M.C. both in the last war and in this war, retiring with the rank of major.

Dr. WILFRID LOUIS REMI FLEMING, formerly chairman of the Guildford Division of the B.M.A., died at Pirbright, Surrey, where he had practised for a long time. The son of Andrew Fleming, of Kilmarnock, he studied medicine at Westminster Hospital and took a course in obstetrics at the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, qualifying M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. in 1895. Before settling in general practice Dr. Fleming was house-surgeon and resident obstetric assistant at the Westminster and house-physician at the Bethlem Royal Hospital. During the last war he served as medical officer at Henley Park Auxiliary Military Hospital; later he was for a time M.O. to the Bisley Farm School and Shaftesbury Home. A man with a strong sense of public duty, he was a justice of the peace for the county of Surrey and chairman of the managers of the Pirbright elementary schools. Dr. Fleming joined the B.M.A. in 1900 and was also a member of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association.

The death is announced of Dr. ALBERT PENARD LAYCOCK, who before settling in general practice in South-West London had spent ten years as a medical missionary. He was born at Versailles on Sept. 26, 1877, son of the Rev. J. M. Laycock, and had his early education at Plymouth College, Merchant Taylors School, and Monkton Combe School. Entering St. John's College, Cambridge, he took his B.A. (with first-class honours in the Natural Sciences Tripos) in 1898, and went on to the London Hospital, qualifying M.B., B.Ch. in 1902. He was then for a time superintendent of the St. Pancras Medical Mission until he joined the China Inland Mission, Changsha, Lanchowfu, in 1905. While working there he was for two years surgeon to the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs. He died on Sept. 5 in Sherbrooke Road, Fulham.

## The Services

Col. R. Hay, C.I.E., I.M.S., has been appointed an Honorary Physician to the King in succession to Col. H. E. Shortt, C.I.E., retired.

Major (Temp. Lieut.-Col.) J. A. Chapel, R.A.M.C., Reserve of Officers, has been appointed M.B.E. (Military Division) in recognition of gallant and distinguished services in the field.

### CASUALTIES IN THE MEDICAL SERVICES

*Killed in action.*—Lieut. Robert Russell Waddell, R.A.M.C.

*Missing, presumed killed.*—Temp. Surg. Lieut. William Hamilton Cassels Donald, R.N.V.R., Surg. Lieut. Derek Napier McKenzie, R.A.N.V.R.

*Died on active service.*—Major Charles Peter Mann, R.A.M.C.

*Died.*—War Subs. Capt. Benjamin David Berger, R.A.M.C.

Wing Cmdr. WILLIAM MILLIGAN died on Sept. 3 while serving at an R.A.F. headquarters over-seas. He was born in May, 1902, studied medicine at Leeds University, and qualified M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. in 1927. He entered general practice, and on Dec. 23, 1937, was commissioned as flying officer in the Medical Branch of the R.A.F.V.R. After his embodiment for war service on Sept. 30, 1939, Wing Cmdr. Milligan served at various stations at home, and in 1943 was posted to command a station hospital.

### DEATHS IN THE SERVICES

The death is reported of Major-Gen. Sir ERNEST ALEXANDER WALKER, I.M.S., K.C.I.E., C.B., at Duncan, British Columbia, at the age of 63. Son of the Rev. A. Walker, senior Army Chaplain, Church of Scotland, he was educated at the Forfar Academy and Edinburgh University and graduated M.B., Ch.B. with honours in 1901, took the M.D. in 1940 and the F.R.C.S. in 1912. He entered the Indian Medical Service in 1902, and during the war of 1914-18 he served in Iraq in 1915-16, was taken prisoner at Kut-al-Amara, and was twice mentioned in dispatches. In 1920-1 he was D.A.D.M.S. (Mobilization), was promoted to be Deputy Director of Medical Services in 1929, was appointed to the medical charge of the Eastern Command, India, in 1933, and succeeded to the Director-Generalship of Medical Services, India, in 1933, where he proved to be a capable administrator. He became Honorary Surgeon to the King in 1932, and a C.B. in 1934. He retired in 1937, and in the following year was made a K.C.I.E. for his long and distinguished service on the military side of the I.M.S. General Walker had published papers on various technical medico-military subjects. Among his recreations were shooting and fishing.

Dr. Ernest Jones writes: The death in India of Lieut.-Col. OWEN BERKELEY HILL, I.M.S., recently announced will cause grief to a wide circle of friends, to whom his kindly loyalty, exhilarating companionship, characteristic drollery and wit, had endeared him. He will be remembered in India as the instigator of valuable reforms during the eighteen years in which he directed the European Mental Hospital at Ranchi, and as a pioneer in introducing modern psychology into that country. His work in mental hygiene, in which field he represented India in several international congresses, was also noteworthy. A certain intolerance of officialdom, manifested by a stream of saucy—though never malicious—retorts, greatly diminished the influence his progressive outlook might otherwise have had among the powers that be. He published a volume of psychiatric essays, dealing especially with the ethnology of Indian peoples, and a racy autobiography.

## Universities and Colleges

### UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

At its meeting on Sept. 8 the University Council received the resignations by (1) A. Rupert Hallam, M.D., of his post of lecturer in dermatology; (2) P. E. H. Howarth, M.B., Ch.B., and R. E. Peasegood, M.B., Ch.B., of their posts of temporary demonstrators in anatomy. The Council accepted the resignations with regret, and accorded its thanks to Dr. Hallam, Mr. Howarth, and Mr. Peasegood for their services to the University.

### ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

Two lectures, under the auspices of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, will be delivered by Prof. W. E. Gye, M.D., F.R.S., at the College, Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C., on Thursdays, Oct. 5 and 12, at 4 p.m. His subject is "The Part played by Viruses in Cancer Causation." The lectures are open to medical practitioners, scientists, and advanced students.