

of the B.M.A.) he became a member of the Wisbech Borough Council and was mayor in 1932 when the late Duke of Kent visited the agricultural show at Wisbech. He took a lively part as a Liberal in politics, and his ready Irish wit made him a popular platform figure. In this field, as in all others, he was thoroughly sportsmanlike. The burial took place at Wisbech amid many manifestations that the town had lost a great citizen. A memorial service was held at the Congregational Church; every aspect of the town's activities and social services were represented in this large assembly. Dr. Wilson married twice. His first wife died in 1928. Heartfelt sympathy is felt with Mrs. Wilson, especially as it was but two months ago they settled in their new home and looked forward to years of ease and even greater happiness.

The death on Sept. 19 of JOHN HOWARD COOK, M.S., F.R.C.S., at his house in Hampstead, aged 75, removes the younger of a pair of medical brothers who were, in their own sphere, as famous as their contemporaries the Mayo brothers in the United States. They were the sons of W. H. Cook, M.D., of Hampstead, and both were educated at St. Paul's School, where each in turn swept the board in scholarships and prizes. Both in turn went to Uganda to the C.M.S. Hospital at Mengo, the reputation of which they placed on a firm foundation. The elder brother, Sir A. R. Cook, C.M.G., was there in time for the Uganda Mutiny of 1897-8, when he played a notable part in the medical care of the casualties: the younger brother joined him not long afterwards, and for many years they were undoubtedly the leading medical men in the infant colony, where sooner or later (and usually sooner) practically every white man passed through their hands as a patient. All the early writers—for instance, Sir Harry Johnston in his standard work on the Uganda Protectorate (1900) and Major H. H. Austin in his account of the Mutiny (1903), to quote only two—bore testimony to the selfless labours of these two medical missionaries, whose work contributed nobly to the prestige of European civilization in those troublous times. John Howard Cook, the younger brother, studied medicine at University College Hospital, whence he qualified as M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. in 1895: in the same year he took a gold medal and scholarship at the London M.B., and in 1897 proceeded to the M.S. and the F.R.C.S.Eng. After working some years at Mengo he obtained the Diploma in Tropical Medicine of Cambridge University. Besides general surgery, he took an especial interest in ophthalmology, and he also played a prominent part in the investigation of and fight against African sleeping sickness. He was honorary consulting ophthalmic surgeon to the Church Missionary Society, having also been their physician and secretary to the medical committee. He was Harford lecturer in ophthalmology, and consultant for tropical diseases to the Ministry of Pensions. He left Uganda in 1920, and after 20 years more work for the C.M.S. in London he was then for 5 years medical superintendent of the London Medical Mission, Covent Garden. In 1899 he married Susannah Ethel Maddox. Their second son, Dr. Norman Cook, died in 1933 in West Africa, where he was a C.M.S. medical missionary, and the third son, Major A. Bickersteth Cook, M.B.E., M.B., B.S., is in the East. Mrs. Cook survives her husband; Sir Albert Cook has recently published a volume of *Uganda Memories*.

The death, on Sept. 18, of Dr. LEO POLLAK is a great loss, not only to White Lodge Hospital, Newmarket, but to the world of medicine. Before he came to this country, in consequence of the Nazi invasion of Austria, Dr. Pollak was Extraordinary Professor of Medicine in Vienna. About his work in this capacity he was very reticent, but among his personal friends he numbered some whose names are known the world over, and it is probable that in more normal circumstances the name of Leo Pollak would have become equally well known. At the beginning of the war he was interned as an enemy alien, but was released from internment and became a member of the medical staff of White Lodge Hospital. There his circle of contacts was limited, but those who were privileged to know him recognized in him a great man. His professional knowledge was vast: he could give a learned answer to any question. Nevertheless, his erudition was associated with common sense and experience, so that his advice was very highly valued by all his colleagues. As a man, he was modest and extremely likeable. He earned the real affection of all with whom he came into contact, to such a degree that nobody can recall a single disparaging remark made about him. He had a lively sense of humour, which remained with him until his death, although he was fully aware of the hopelessness of his condition. All who were associated with him mourn the passing of a beloved friend and of a great character. It is one of the minor tragedies of the war that such a man should have ended his days in comparative obscurity, far from his native land, even though among friends.—J. S. H.

The Services

The Efficiency Decoration of the Territorial Army has been conferred upon the following officers: Col. C. H. Carlton, M.C., Lieut.-Col. (Hon. Col.) R. M. Savege, O.B.E., M.C., Majors (Hon. Lieut.-Cols.) R. B. Brew, W. S. Harvey, and F. R. Langmaid, Majors (Temp. Lieut.-Cols.) E. G. Gerstenberg, and B. M. Nicol, Majors T. A. Danby, J. D. A. Gray, and H. R. R. Mavor, Capt. (Hon. Major) L. P. Clarke, and Capt. (Temp. Major) T. H. Coan, M.M., R.A.M.C.

CASUALTIES IN THE MEDICAL SERVICES

Killed.—Temp. Lieut.-Col. Andrew Robert Fausset Clarke, M.C., Temp. Major Clifford Longden Lewis, and War Subs. Capt. Roylance Lynton Parkinson, R.A.M.C.

Previously reported missing, now reported killed.—War Subs. Capt. John Varley Schofield, R.A.M.C.

Died.—Lieut.-Col. Edward Alexander Strachan, Major Murdo Buchanan, Temp. Major Ewen Arthur Elson Palmer, War Subs. Major Hamish Barrowman, and War Subs. Capt. James Lavington Ashley, Archibald David Morrison King, Wilfred Kendrick Lloyd, Margaret Mary Loughnan, and Alan Ross Sheriff, R.A.M.C.

Died as Prisoner of War.—War Subs. Capt. William Service Aird, R.A.M.C.

Previously reported Prisoner of War, now reported Died as Prisoner of War.—Lieut.-Col. Cyril Armstrong, M.B.E., and War Subs. Capt. Alfred Kenneth Eastwood, Basil Frederick Benbow Gulliver, M.C., and Arthur Wemyss Gordon Sutherland, R.A.M.C.

Wounded.—Temp. Lieut.-Col. A. G. Fergusson, Major Hilda Roberts, and War Subs. Capt. J. K. A. Burn, R.A.M.C.

Medical News

Dr. D. Evan Bedford will deliver the Bradshaw Lecture on Thursday, Nov. 7, at 5 p.m., at the Royal College of Physicians, on "Hypertensive Heart Disease."

The inaugural address at the opening of the 210th session of the Royal Medical Society of Edinburgh will be given by Sir Henry Wade at 7, Melbourne Place, on Friday, Oct. 11, at 8 p.m. He will speak on "The Life of an Edinburgh Medical Student 300 Years Ago." The provisional programme for the session includes addresses by Mr. P. H. Mitchiner on Oct. 25, "The Aftermath of War in Medicine"; by Dr. J. R. Rees, on Nov. 8, "Social Psychiatry and Medical Progress"; by Dr. John McMichael, Nov. 22, "Heart Failure"; Col. L. W. Harrison, Dec. 6, "Half a Lifetime in V.D.: from Chaos to Order"; Prof. Charles Cameron, Jan. 10, "Tuberculosis as a Problem in Diagnosis"; Mr. A. H. McIndoe, Jan. 24, "The Surgery of Congenital Defects"; and Dr. R. W. Durand, Feb. 14, "The Doctor, the Patient, and the Law."

The annual general meeting of the Heberden Society has been arranged for Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25 and 26, at 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W. After the business meeting at 4.30 p.m. on Friday a discussion on future trends of research in rheumatoid arthritis will be opened by Dr. G. M. Findlay with a paper on arthritis in rats and mice due to pleuropneumonia-like organisms, followed by Dr. D. H. Collins, on erysipelotheix polyarthritis of swine. The annual dinner will be held at the Euston Hotel that evening at 7.45. On Saturday at 11 a.m. Prof. J. Axel Höjer, chief medical officer, Royal Swedish Ministry of Health, will give an address on the organization and work of a rheumatic service in Sweden.

Dr. Ludo van Bogaert of Antwerp will give a lecture at the National Hospital, Queen Square, Medical School, on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 4 p.m., on "Progressive Atrophies of the Globus Pallidus, their Clinical and Pathological Characters." All those interested are invited.

The British Institute of Philosophy has arranged a course of lectures on "Contemporary World-Outlooks" beginning on Friday, Oct. 11, at 5.15 p.m. Particulars may be had from the Director of Studies, University Hall, 14, Gordon Square, London, W.C.1.

The British Red Cross Society, working in close co-operation with the Ministry of Health, held a blood transfusion conference at Gas Industry House (opposite St. George's Hospital) on Sept. 24.

According to the *Manchester Guardian* of Oct. 1 almost the entire medical staff of two of Stockholm's hospitals decided to strike at midnight to-night against a Government decision forbidding them to charge for health certificates. The two hospitals have a daily average of nearly 3,000 in-patients and out-patients. The doctors say they will treat patients already in the hospital, but they will accept no new patients, nor will they treat out-patients.

Association Notices

AREAS OF SWINDON AND TROWBRIDGE DIVISIONS

Notice is hereby given by the Council of the British Medical Association to all concerned that it is proposed to transfer the municipal borough of Malmesbury from the area of the Swindon Division to that of the Trowbridge Division.

Any member affected by this proposal and objecting thereto is requested to write to the Secretary of the Association by Oct. 19, 1946, stating the objection and the ground therefor.

CHARLES HILL,
Secretary.

Sept. 21, 1946.

Ophthalmic Group Committee: Correction

A correction is necessary in the list of members of Committees published on Sept. 7 (p. 77). We have been informed by the Faculty of Ophthalmologists that the names of the six members of the Ophthalmic Group Committee appointed by the Council of the Faculty of Ophthalmologists should be:

Mr. J. D. M. Cardell, London.
Mr. J. H. Doggart, London.
Mr. R. Affleck Greaves, London.
Mr. E. F. King, London.
Mr. F. W. Law, London.
Mr. J. N. Tennent, Glasgow.

Hospitals Committee: Correction

Add: "One member to be appointed by the Association of Municipal Specialists."

Diary of Central Meetings

OCTOBER

17. Thurs. Publishing Subcommittee, 11 a.m.
Journal Committee, 2 p.m.

Branch and Division Meetings to be Held

COVENTRY DIVISION.—At Coventry and Warwickshire Hospital, Tuesday, Oct. 8, 8.30 p.m. Discussion on the Relationship between the Industrial Medical Officer and the General Practitioner, with reference to the case of open tuberculosis, to be opened by Dr. A. D. Macdonald.

EAST KENT DIVISION.—At St. George's Hotel, Cliftonville, Thursday, Oct. 10, 8.30 p.m. Address by Dr. I. B. Morris.

EAST YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—At "Quern House," Park Street, Hull, Tuesday, Oct. 8, 8.30 p.m. Lecture by Prof. Alan Moncrieff: Child Health.

RICHMOND DIVISION.—At Richmond Royal Hospital, Friday, Oct. 11, 9 p.m. Dr. Gerald Slot, "Recent Advances in Medical Therapeutics."

Meetings of Branches and Divisions

BATH DIVISION

A meeting of the Bath Division was held on Sept. 25, with Dr. G. D. Steven in the chair, when the following resolution was passed unanimously:

That this meeting strongly recommends to the Council that, in implementing the resolution of the Representative Body (carried on July 24, 1946) to take a referendum of the whole profession on the simple issue of whether negotiations with the Minister should take place or not, the referendum should take the following form:

Three separate forms of different colours should be sent to each member of the profession. One form would be headed "Public Services Section," the second "Consultant and/or Specialist Service," and the third "General Practitioner Service." Each form should ask the simple question—"Do you agree to negotiations on regulations on this Section being carried out with the Minister?" Every member of the profession should be asked to return only the form which refers to the Section to which he or she predominantly belongs.

MALAYA BRANCH

A clinical meeting of the Southern Division, Malaya Branch, was held on July 31, 1946. The subject under discussion was penicillin, and Dr. E. C. Davies, Lieut.-Col. French, and Lieut.-Col. Harris spoke. The attendance was 84.

All general practitioners in Singapore will be able to obtain a textile issue from the Controller of Supplies provided they are sponsored by the Association. The hon. secretary of the Southern Division has undertaken to compile a list of those anxious to secure such textiles, and when complete will arrange for supply to be made.

POSTGRADUATE NEWS

The Fellowship of Medicine announces: (1) Obstetrics and gynaecology, for general practitioners, *daily*, Oct. 14 to 19, at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, and Chelsea Hospital for Women. (2) Week-end course in rheumatism, all day Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 26 and 27, at St. Stephen's Hospital, Fulham Road, S.W.

The University of Leeds Postgraduate Subcommittee announces that it is proposed to hold a two-weeks general refresher course for Class II demobilized medical officers and insurance practitioners, beginning on Monday, Nov. 25. Applications and inquiries should be addressed to the Senior Administrative Officer, School of Medicine, Leeds.

WEEKLY POSTGRADUATE DIARY

BLACKPOOL: VICTORIA HOSPITAL.—Thurs., 8 p.m., Dr. Cross: Radiotherapy in Gynaecology.

GLASGOW UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY.—Wed., 8 p.m., Dr. Michaelson: Proptosis and Exophthalmos.

LONDON SCHOOL OF DERMATOLOGY, 5, Lisle Street, Leicester Square, W.C.—Tues., 5 p.m. Dr. A. C. Roxburgh, Cutaneous Syphilis. Thurs., 5 p.m. Dr. H. MacCormac, Industrial Dermatitis.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE

Section of *Experimental Medicine and Therapeutics*.—Tues., 5.30 p.m. Presidential Address by Prof. H. P. Himsworth: Protein Metabolism in Relation to Disease.

Section of *Psychiatry*.—Tues., 5.30 p.m. Presidential Address by Prof. Aubrey Lewis: The Education of Psychiatrists.

Section of *Physical Medicine*.—Wed., 4.30 p.m. Presidential Address by Dr. F. S. Cooksey: The Planning and Organization of Physical Medicine Departments.

Section of *Ophthalmology*.—Thurs., 5 p.m. (Cases at 4.30 p.m.) Presidential Address by Mr. A. H. Levy: The Aesthetics of Vision. Paper by Mr. John Foster: An Ophthalmic Tour in France and Switzerland.

Clinical Section.—Fri., 5 p.m. (Cases at 4 p.m.)

CHELSEA CLINICAL SOCIETY.—At South Kensington Hotel, Queen's Gate Terrace, Tues., 7 p.m. Dinner meeting. Dr. R. Jarman: Modern Anaesthesia.

APPOINTMENTS

ADDENBROOKE'S HOSPITAL, CAMBRIDGE.—Honorary staff appointments: Radiologist, F. R. Berridge, M.B., D.M.R. Surgeon to the Gynaecological and Obstetrical Departments, Oswald Lloyd, M.D., F.R.C.S. Physician, Laurence Martin, M.D., M.R.C.P. Surgeon, B. M. Truscott, M.B.E., M.B., F.R.C.S. Ophthalmic Surgeon, G. F. Wright, M.B., D.O.M.S.

BOLTON ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Honorary Physicians, A. Ingham, M.B., and H. Phillip Goldman, M.B., M.R.C.P.

DAY, F. M., M.R.C.S., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health, Metropolitan Borough of Hammersmith.

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY.—D. M. Douglas, Ch.M., F.R.C.S., lecturer in experimental surgery, University of Edinburgh, deputy director, Wilkie Surgical Research Laboratory, and associate assistant surgeon, Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.

ROYAL LIVERPOOL UNITED HOSPITAL.—Appointments to Honorary Medical and Surgical Staff at Liverpool Royal Infirmary: Dental Surgeon, G. Graham Macphree, M.D., L.D.S. Assistant Physician for Tropical Diseases, D. R. Seaton, M.B., D.T.M., D.P.H. Radiologist, P. H. Whitaker, M.D., D.M.R.E. Dermatologist, G. W. Bamber, M.D., F.R.C.P.

ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL, S.E.—Honorary appointments. Obstetric Physician, R. K. Bowes, M.D., M.S., F.R.C.S. Orthopaedic Surgeon, G. Perkins, M.Chir., F.R.C.S.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

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BIRTHS

CAIRNS.—On July 12, 1946, at Kingston-on-Thames, to Theresa, wife of Dr. R. J. Cairns, a son—Andrew John.

EARDLEY.—On September 21, 1946, at 23, Keighley Road, Colne, Lancs, to Catherine Vera, wife of A. W. R. Eardley, M.B., Ch.B.(Sheff., 1931), twins—Alan Christopher Stenton and Catherine Rosalind.

JACOBS.—On September 22, 1946, at Hammersmith Hospital, to the wife of Dr. A. L. Jacobs (Dr. Lusia Frank), a daughter.

ORTON.—On September 26, 1946, to Drs. Richard and Betty Orton, 30, Cornwallis Crescent, Clifton, Bristol, a daughter.

MARRIAGE

EDWARDS—ADAMS.—On September 17, 1946, at Stenhouse Church, Capt. Frank Edwards, A.D. Corps, of "Innervar," Larbert, Stirlingshire, to Capt. Sally Adams, R.A.M.C., of Blackstown House, Broughane, Ballymena, N. Ireland.

DEATHS

ELLIOT.—On September 7, 1946, Henry P. Elliot, born 1871, M.B., C.M. 1894, Queensland ad eum grad. Practised mostly in Australia for 51 years.

EVANS.—On September 26, 1946, at Oxford, Brenda, wife of Gordon Evans, M.B., B.S.