

Cournand, Professor D. Denny-Brown, Professor F. de G. d'Allaines, Professor Herwig Hamperl, Professor G. Miescher, Professor Newell Philpott, Professor Georges Portmann, and Dr. F. Parkes Weber.

Faculty of Ophthalmologists.—At the council meeting on July 11, the following were elected officers for 1958-9: *President*, Mr. L. H. SAVIN; *vice-presidents*, Mr. E. G. MACKIE and Professor G. I. SCOTT; *hon. treasurer*, Mr. A. MCKIE REID; and *hon. secretary*, Mr. E. F. KING.

Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.—At a meeting of the College on July 15 the honorary fellowship was conferred on Dr. WARREN H. COLE, professor of surgery at Illinois University, and on Dr. I. S. RAVDIN, Barton professor of surgery at Pennsylvania University. The following were admitted F.R.C.S.Ed.:

S. M. S. Ashraf, D. W. Blair, R. C. Buchanan, P. Burgess, B. N. Chatterjee, M. C. Chenoy, J. S. G. Clark, J. T. F. de Graft-Johnson, E. J. England, D. S. Grewal, W. F. Hasan, G. Kerr, G. C. Liggins, J. McLenachan, P. S. Mathur, G. Muttuhamby, K. N. Nambudripad, K. J. O'Connor, S. L. Paton, G. R. A. Raad, E. F. Reye, M. C. R. Solling, J. W. W. Thomson, M. A. T. Tolley, M. P. Trivedi, D. D. Verma, R. E. D. Williams, J. S. Winter, and N. K. Yong.

Public Welfare Foundation Prize.—The College of General Practitioners is awarding this year six prizes of £40 each to senior medical students in the United Kingdom and Eire for the best case history, with suitable commentary, of one or more patients seen in general practice. Further information about the competition may be obtained from deans of medical schools, to whom details have been sent, or from the College of General Practitioners, 41, Cadogan Gardens, London, S.W.3. The closing date for entries is August 1.

Purchase Tax on Crash-helmets.—The Finance Bill has been amended so as to make helmets designed to protect the head from injury not chargeable under Group 3 (Headgear) of the Purchase Tax Schedule as from July 17. This relief applies to protective helmets fitted with an inner cradle (e.g., crash-helmets and firemen's helmets), and also to other kinds of protective helmets (e.g., for policemen). It does not extend to specially reinforced headgear other than helmets (e.g., huntsmen's bowlers); nor does it cover helmets suitable for use only in sports.

Procedure in Criminal Courts.—Dr. T. C. N. GIBBENS, senior lecturer in forensic psychiatry at the Institute of Psychiatry, is the sole medical member of the interdepartmental committee, under Mr. Justice STREATFIELD's chairmanship, recently appointed by the Home Secretary to review the business of the criminal courts. One of the committee's tasks will be to advise on existing arrangements for providing the courts with the information necessary to enable them to select the most appropriate treatment for offenders.

London University.—The title of emeritus professor of physiology has been conferred on Professor K. J. FRANKLIN, F.R.S., on his retirement from the chair of physiology at St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College. The title of professor of pharmacology and therapeutics has been conferred on Dr. R. S. STACEY in respect of his post at St. Thomas's Hospital Medical School, and the title of professor of pharmacology on Dr. ELEANOR ZAIMIS in respect of her post at the Royal Free School of Medicine.

Leeds University.—Mr. F. W. SHEA has been appointed tutor in orthopaedic surgery for an initial period starting on August 16.

N.W. Metropolitan Board.—Dr. F. J. FOWLER is to succeed Dr. H. M. C. MACAULAY as senior administrative medical officer. Dr. Macaulay retires on July 31.

Queen's Commendation.—Dr. N. J. JACKSON, of the Minehead and West Somerset Hospital, has received the Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct for services when a youth fell down a cliff.

COMING EVENTS

Rheumatic Fever and Rheumatic Heart Disease.—Symposia for 30 consultant physicians, September 22-25 at the Postgraduate Medical School and the Canadian Memorial Hospital, Taplow. The fee is four guineas. Further details are given at p. 46 of the advertisements.

Société Française d'Otorhinolaryngologie.—Annual congress in Paris, October 20-23. Main subjects will be cancer of the tongue, and cortisone and corticotrophin. Details from the secretary-general, 6, Avenue MacMahon, Paris.

American Public Health Association.—36th annual meeting, October 27-31, in St. Louis. Details from the association, 1790, Broadway, New York, 19, N.Y.

Artificial Limbs and Appliances Centre, Roehampton.—Courses for orthopaedic consultants from October 13 to 17, and for physical medicine consultants October 29 and 30. Details from the Centre, Roehampton House, London, S.W.15.

NEW ISSUES

SPECIALIST JOURNALS AND ABSTRACTS

British Heart Journal.—Issued quarterly (£3 annually). The new issue, Vol. 20, No. 3, includes:

HEART: 1909-1958.

LOUIS GALLAVARDIN.

HAEMODYNAMIC CONSEQUENCES OF CORONARY HEART DISEASE. Ottar Müller and Karl Rørvik.

THE DIAGNOSTIC USE OF AN EAR OXIMETER IN CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE. C. R. Woolf, W. Paul, and R. W. Guntton.

THE DIAGNOSIS OF MITRAL INCOMPETENCE FROM LEFT ATRIAL PRESSURE CURVES. Bertrand G. Wells.

CLINICAL AND RADIOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF CALCIFICATION OF THE MITRAL REGION. Eino Linko and Erkki Sysimetsä.

ATRIAL DISSOCIATION. Mario Gomes Marques.

DIRECT LEFT ATRIAL PRESSURE TRACINGS AND THE DEGREE OF MITRAL OBSTRUCTION. Stanley R. McCampbell.

EVIDENCE FOR PULMONARY VASOCONSTRICTION IN MAN. Richard Gorlin, Frank B. Clare, and Joseph J. Zuska.

A SURGICAL STUDY OF COARCTATION OF THE AORTA. Rowan Nicks.

ELECTROCARDIOGRAMS WITH SHORT P-R INTERVAL AND ABERRANT QRS COMPLEX. L. M. Sanghvi and S. N. Mishra.

VENTRICULAR SEPTAL DEFECT WITH PULMONARY STENOSIS AND AORTIC REGURITATION. D. M. Collins, T. East, M. P. Godfrey, P. Harris, and S. Oram.

THE AORTIC SYSTOLIC MURMUR DEVELOPING WITH INCREASING AGE. D. L. Bruns and L. G. Van Der Hauwaert.

VENTRICULAR SEPTAL DEFECT WITH PULMONARY STENOSIS. L. Broumacher and Maurice Campbell.

THE ROLE OF VENOUS CONSTRICTION IN CIRCULATORY DISORDERS. János P. Radó, Endre Gonda, and Erwin Kovács.

PULMONARY FUNCTION IN PULMONARY HYPERTENSION. M. B. McIlroy and G. H. Apthorp.

THE RIGHT VENTRICLE AND THE SMALL PULMONARY ARTERIES IN COALWORKERS. Arthur J. Thomas and W. R. L. James.

CORONARY ARTERY CATHETERIZATION DURING THORACIC AORTOGRAPHY. A. M. Johnson and William D. Logan.

THE ELECTROCARDIOGRAM IN PROGRESSIVE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY. G. W. Manning and G. J. Cropp.

CASE REPORTS:

PATENT DUCTUS ARTERIOSUS WITH VENTRICULAR SEPTAL DEFECT. G. L. Higgins.

PATENT DUCTUS ARTERIOSUS WITH MITRAL STENOSIS. J. Mackinnon and R. M. Briggs.

INCOMPLETE RUPTURE OF THE ASCENDING AORTA WITH SECONDARY ANEURYSM. John Wedgwood.

INCOMPETENT CONGENITAL BICUSPID RIGHT ATRIO-VENTRICULAR VALVE. N. Coulshed.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Persey.—On July 11, 1958, to Drs. Joyce and Alec Persey, of Nottingham Road, Long Eaton, a sister for Nicola—Janet Celia.

Sinclair.—On May 23, 1958, at Zomba, Nyasaland, to Drs. Olive and Wilfred Sinclair, a son—Richard William Fleming.

Wolfson.—On July 1, 1958, at Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham, to Nancy, wife of L. J. Wolfson, F.F.A.R.C.S., a daughter.

DEATHS

Braithwaite.—On July 5, 1958, at his home, Daisy Bank, Woolfold, Bury, Lancs, Percy Frank Braithwaite, M.B., aged 81.

Chitty.—On July 9, 1958, at his home, Eastcote, Chaddesley Corbett, near Kidderminster, Worcs, Keith Chitty, F.R.C.S., aged 38.

Frazer.—On July 8, 1958, as the result of an accident, Andrew Mearns Fraser, M.D., D.P.H., of Curtis, Hayling Island, Hants, aged 90.

Murley.—On July 6, 1958, David Ronald Murley, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.R.C.O.G., of Mullion, Cornwall, aged 35.

Sharpe.—On July 9, 1958, Edward Stevenson Sharpe, M.B., Ch.B., of 227, Bingley Road, Shipley, Yorks, aged 79.

Wishart.—On July 18, 1958, George Macfeat Wishart, M.D., F.R.F.P.S., of Glasgow, aged 62.