GENERAL NOTES

THE FORMATION OF THE BRITISH ACOUSTICAL SOCIETY

The rapid growth of interest and discovery in the various branches of acoustics in Britain has led to the setting up of a number of separate societies and subgroups, often with overlapping areas of interest. It has been felt for some years that this diversification and duplication of effort has not provided ideal conditions for the development of the subject as a whole, in spite of the very successful activities of the Acoustics Groups of the Institute of Physics and Physical Society and the Society of Acoustic Technology, the two main societies concerned. A committee was therefore set up in 1963 by the Royal Society to explore the possibility of forming a British Acoustical Society. This committee, under the Chairmanship of Sir Gordon Sutherland, which was representative of all the acoustical and allied interests in the country, pledged itself to support the new society and in due course became its Provisional Council. The Chairman is Dr. A. J. King and the Vice-Chairman is Professor E. J. Richards who are respectively the Chairman of the Acoustics Group of the Institute of Physics and Physical Society and the President of the Society of Acoustic Technology.

The Society's interests will embrace all aspects of sound, hearing and vibration, including ultrasonic activities such as the detection of flaws in solids and of shoals of fish in the sea. Such currently important problems as the noise of aircraft and traffic, industrial noise, noise in dwellings and the design of better public and concert halls will be studied with due regard to intelligibility and musical aspects. The Society will also actively sponsor the furthering of teaching and research in acoustics.

An Inaugural Science Meeting is to be held on May 5th and 6th, arranged as a symposium but preceded at 11.30 a.m. on May 5th by a short meeting at which invited members of the Press will have the opportunity of meeting the Council. The meetings will be held in the Physics Department, Imperial College, Prince Consort Road, South Kensington, London, S.W.7. Enquiries should be directed to Dr. R. W. B. Stephens at this same address.

INSTITUTE OF SOUND AND VIBRATION RESEARCH UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON

It is proposed to hold a short weekend course in Audiology on July 23rd and 24th, 1966, at the Audiology Group of the above Institute. The course is primarily intended for specialists in otolaryngology and trainees in the speciality, and will consist of lectures and demonstrations of the latest audiometric techniques.

Further details, including syllabuses and details of accommodation, etc., can be obtained by writing to the above address.

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SECOND BRITISH ACADEMIC CONFERENCE IN OTOLARYNGOLOGY 1967

The Conference will be held in Oxford from July 31st to August 4th, 1967. Further information will appear in this Journal from time to time in the future.

BRITISH ACOUSTICAL SOCIETY

AUDIOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

July 26th-28th, 1967

This will take place under the sponsorship of the British Acoustical Society at the Institute of Sound and Vibration Research, University of Southampton during the week preceding the Second British Academic Conference in Otolaryngology at Oxford.

Those interested in this Symposium should write to: The Audiology Symposium (1967) Secretary, Institute of Sound and Vibration Research, The University, Southampton.

VIII INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF AUDIOLOGY

The above congress will be held in Mexico City from the 6th to the 10th November, 1966.

Among the speakers will be Professor Aram Glorig, Professor H. C. Huizing, and Professor Hallowell Davis.

Further information can be obtained from the Secretary General, Dr. Gabriela Torres, Paseo de la Retorma 428, Mexico 6, D.F.

INTERNATIONAL RHINOLOGIC SOCIETY

PROGRAMME FOR 1966

The following items are brought to your attention with the full assurance that your participation will be mutually beneficial.

- (a) European Rhinologic Society meeting, Part I, Portman Clinic, Bordeaux, France, on June 30th, July 1st and 2nd, under the direction of Doctor Georges Guillen. Papers, surgical demonstrations, and special symposia on "Progress in Rhinologic Examination and Diagnosis" and "Hydrotherapy in Chronic Nasal Disease".
- (b) European Rhinologic Society meeting, Part II, Academisch Ziekenhuis, Leiden, The Netherlands, on July 3rd, 4th and 5th, under the direction of Professor Doctor H. A. E. van Dishoeck. Papers, surgical demonstrations, and special symposia on "Patho-physiology of the Nose and Paranasal Sinuses" and "Allergy and Healing of Nasal Tissues".

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(c) Course, "Expanded Surgery of the Nasal Septum and closely related structures", Academisch Ziekenhuis, Leiden, The Netherlands, July 6th—10th, under the direction of Professor Doctor H. A. E. van Dishoeck, with Doctor Maurice H. Cottle, Professor of Otorhinolaryngology at the Chicago Medical School as guest professor, and members of the American Rhinologic Society and the European Rhinologic Society.

All with the cooperation of the International Rhinologic Society.

Apply to: Prof. Dr. H. A. E. van Dishoeck, Academisch Ziekenhuis, Afd. Keel-neus-oorheelkunde, Leiden, The Netherlands; and/or Dr. Georges Guillen, 17 Blvd. Fr. Roosevelt, Bordeaux (Gironde), France.

POSTGRADUATE COURSE IN RHINOPLASTY, RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY OF THE NASAL SEPTUM AND OTOPLASTY

An intensive postgraduate course in Rhinoplasty, Reconstructive Surgery of the Nasal Septum and Otoplasty will be given from May 14th, 1966, to May 24th, 1966, by Dr. Irving B. Goldman and staff at the Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, in affiliation with Columbia University.

Candidates for the course should apply to Registrar for Postgraduate Medical Instruction, The Mount Sinai Hospital, Fifth Avenue and 100th Street, New York 29, New York.

THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

DIVISION OF GRADUATE MEDICINE

The University of Pennsylvania, Division of Graduate Medicine, announces a Post Graduate Seminar on Pediatric Otolaryngology, June 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1966, directed by Robert J. Wolfson, M.D., David Myers, M.D. and Sylvan E. Stool, M.D. Fee \$125.

For further information and description pamphlet write: Director, Division of Graduate Medicine, The School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Room 237, Medical Laboratories Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104.

AN INTENSIVE ONE-WEEK COURSE IN OTOLOGIC SURGERY July 25th-29th, 1966

Presented by the University of Southern California School of Medicine and the Los Angeles Foundation of Otology in cooperation with St. Vincent's Hospital, this course will consist of lectures and televised surgery daily. There will be evening meetings with motion pictures of otologic surgery.

Two days will be devoted to otosclerosis surgery and 2 days to surgery of chronic ear disease. One day will be devoted to inner ear problems.

A tuition fee of \$300, payable at the time of application in U.S. currency, to the Los Angeles Foundation of Otology, includes the cost of the noon luncheons.

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Applications from residents in otolaryngology will be accepted upon receipt of a letter of recommendation by their Chief of Service. The fee for residents is \$100.

Registration is limited and early application is advised. Address all correspondence to the Los Angeles Foundation of Otology, 2122 West Third Street, Los Angeles, California 90057.

OTOLARYNGOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA

The Sixteenth Annual General and Scientific Meeting of the Otolaryngological Society of Australia will be held in Sydney commencing on 24th October, 1966. It is hoped to arrange some joint meetings with the Pan-Pacific Surgical Association.

For further information please contact Dr. J. H. Seymour, Honorary Secretary, Otolaryngological Society of Australia, 143 Macquarie Street, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.

UNIVERSITY OF BORDEAUX, FRANCE

Ear, Nose and Throat Department Director Professor: Jean Despons

"Functional" Otological Micro-surgery Postgraduate Course, conducted by Michel Portmann, M.D. (Associate Professor), will be held from June 20th to June 29th, 1966. Practical course of surgical techniques given in English. Strictly reserved for medical doctors certified E.N.T. specialists.

During this period every assistant attending the course will be able to watch surgical interventions in the theatre, to follow theoretical courses illustrated with films regarding the main techniques, and to work on his own daily anatomical specimen with all the requisite material, including the binocular microscope.

The number of assistants is limited to 30, divided into two groups: Group I and Group II.

Applications should be sent to Docteur Michel Portmann, 45, cours Marechal-Foch, Bordeaux, France.

Fees: 220 Dollars or 1100 Francs.

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