

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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*The Journal of Laryngology and Otology.*

DEAR SIR,—In the February, 1934 number of your Journal, on page 119, there is an article by Dr. J. N. Roy on "Open Safety-pin in Stomach, Regurgitated into Œsophagus, and Removed by Œsophagoscopy." In this publication the author makes the statement:—

"Medical literature, which I have exhaustively perused, allows me to say that this case is the second one ever published on the present subject."

In making this statement he has completely overlooked an article entitled "Open Safety Pin in the Stomach, Then Point Downward in the Esophagus—Removal," which was published by me in November, 1927, in the *Laryngoscope*, St. Louis, and also in the *Transactions of the American Bronchoscopic Society* of 1927. In this publication I state:—

"This, I believe, is the second case on record in which an open safety pin was actually seen (X-ray) in the stomach and subsequently was observed point downward in the esophagus."

As a matter of record and scientific accuracy, I should appreciate your publishing this letter in your esteemed Journal.

Very truly yours,

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## GENERAL NOTES

### ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE.

1 Wimpole Street, London, W.1.

*Section of Laryngology.* The next meeting of the Section will be held on Friday, May 4th, at 5 o'clock. This will be a Clinical Meeting and those who wish to show cases are asked to send the notes to the Senior Secretary at least twelve days before the Meeting.

*President:* Musgrave Woodman, M.S.

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*Section of Otology.* The next meeting of the Section will be held on Friday, May 4th, at 10.30 a.m. There will be a discussion on "The After Treatment of Facial Palsy". This will be opened by Sir Charles Ballance and Sir Harold Gillies.

*President:* W. J. Harrison, M.B.

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