GENERAL NOTES

COURS DE CHIRURGIE FONCTIONNELLE OTOLOGIQUE Du Lundi 21 Janvier au Vendredi 1^{er} Février 1963

Chaque méthode d'examens, chaque technique opératoire, est l'objet d'une leçon théorique et de démonstration ou de travaux pratiques au cours desquels l'assistant peut effectuer lui-même les tests sur les malades et les interventions chirurgicales sur pièce anatomique avec un microscope binoculaire opératoire.

Le nombre des participants est limité a 40, divisés en quatre groupes (Séries I, II, III, IV).

Inscriptions: Docteur Michel Portmann, 45 cours Maréchal-Foch, Bordeaux.

Droits d'inscription: 700 N. Francs. A Verser a la Faculté de Médecine, Lors de L'Ouverture du Cours.

CALIBRATION OF AUDIOMETERS

The Royal National Institute for the Deaf has instituted a service of audiometer calibration for the benefit of hospital boards, local authorities, and firms or private individuals concerned in the measurement of hearing losses. This service is the latest stage in the expansion of the facilities of the R.N.I.D. Technical Department, which already runs a testing service on hearing aids, group-hearing aids and other acoustic apparatus.

The new service, which has the full support of the British Association of Otolaryngologists, is the only service of its kind in England and Wales (one is operated for Scotland by the Western Regional Hospital Board in Glasgow), and it has become necessary owing to the increasing number of audiometers used for testing hearing in E.N.T. Departments of Hospitals, Audiology Clinics, etc., and in industrial organizations for measuring the effects on hearing of industrial noise. Audiometers which are not regularly or accurately calibrated can give false reading for the threshold of hearing or reading which are not comparable with those obtained on instruments at other Clinics, etc.

The R.N.I.D. calibration service, which is under the direction of Dr. T. S. Littler, the Hon. Scientific Adviser of the Institute, will ensure that the readings obtained after calibration are derived from a standard "base" in accordance with the recommendation of the British Standards Institution and will enable the actual sounds used in testing to be adjusted so as to correspond exactly with the settings on the dials.

Applications for the calibration of audiometers, either of individual instruments or on a contract basis for a number of audiometers, should be made to the Secretary, R.N.I.D., 105 Gower Street, London, W.C.I.

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FIRST BRITISH ACADEMIC CONFERENCE IN OTOLARYNGOLOGY,

1963

To be held at the Royal College of Surgeons of England, London, W.C.2, from June 17th to 21st inclusive. (Registration from 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 16th.)

His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, has graciously consented to be Patron of the Conference.

The main subjects for discussion at formal sessions will be:

I. Vertigo

Speakers: Lord Brain (G.B.) Dr. Charles Hallpike (G.B.) Dr. John Lindsay (U.S.A.) Dr. W. H. Johnson (Canada)

- 2. Stapes Surgery
 - Speakers: Dr. John Shea (U.S.A.) Dr. Harold Schuknecht (U.S.A.) Mr. G. C. Halliday (Australia) Dr. J. Sullivan (Canada) Mr. P. Beales (G.B.)
- 3. Chemotherapeutic Treatment of Cancer of Head and Neck

Speakers: Professor F. Bergel (G.B.) Mr. P. Clifford (Kenya) Drs. R. D. Sullivan and Elton Watkins (U.S.A.) Mr. D. F. N. Harrison (G.B.)

4. Deafness in Children

Speakers: Professor Sir Alexander Ewing (G.B.) Mr. Gavin Livingstone (G.B.) Miss Edith Whetnall (G.B.)

5. Carcinoma of the Larynx

Speakers: Professor Sir Brian Windeyer (G.B.) Dr. E. C. Easson (G.B.) Mr. Robert Owen (G.B.) Mr. Philip Reading (G.B.)

In each case the discussion will be initiated by invited persons.

Informal instructional sessions and film shows, also scientific and trade exhibitions, will be arranged.

A Reception will be given by the President and Council of the Royal College of Surgeons on the evening of Tuesday, June 18th.

A Banquet will be held on the evening of Thursday, June 20th.

Enrolment forms and further particulars may be obtained from the Hon. General Secretary, Mr. Ronald Macbeth, Department of Otolaryngology, Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford.

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SHORT COURSES

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CONSULTANTS AND SENIOR REGISTRARS

March 15th and 16th, 1963—Pathology of the ear, nose and throat. March 20th, 21st and 22nd, 1963—Diagnosis and treatment of the deaf child. March 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th, 1963—Practical Aural Surgery Class.

NON-MEDICAL COURSES

November 5th, 1962, to February 1st, 1963-Training course for audiology technicians.

- October 17th, 18th and 19th, 1962—Hearing and mental assessment of the deaf child—for psychologists.
- October 31st, November 1st and 2nd, 1962—Hearing testing techniques—health visitors.

May 29th, 30th and 31st, 1963—Hearing and mental assessment of the deaf child—for psychologists.

The number of entries is limited in each course. A detailed syllabus of any of the above can be obtained on application from the Secretary-Administrator.

INFORMATION

THE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON RADIOLOGY IN OTOLARYN-GOLOGY will be held from April 18th to April 21st, 1963, with the participation of specialists of foreign countries, in the E.N.T. Department, University of Bordeaux; Director: Professor Georges Portmann.

Three Round Tables will be held about attractive subjects: Radiodiagnostic in Otology; Dynamic Examination of Pharynx and Esophagus (Roentgentelevision and Radiocinematography); Cobalttherapy in E.N.T.

Free communications will also be accepted about various subjects concerning Roentgen diagnostic and Roentgentherapy in E.N.T.

Applications and further information can be given in writing to Dr. Georges Guillen, General Secretary Office, 45 cours du Maréchal Foch, Bordeaux, France.

RECONSTRUCTIVE MIDDLE-EAR SURGERY

The Second Workshop on Reconstructive Middle-Ear Surgery will be held in Chicago, Illinois, February 25th through March 1st, 1963. Registration: \$100. For further details write to Workshop on Reconstructive Middle-Ear Surgery, 219 Pearsons Hall, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

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POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL INSTRUCTION, THE MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL

An intensive postgraduate course in Rhinoplasty, Reconstructive Surgery of the Nasal Septum and Otoplasty will be given, January 12th to January 25th, 1963, 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 the Registrar for Postgraduate Medical Instruction, The Mount Sinai Hospital, Fifth Avenue, and 100th Street, New York 29, N.Y.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF THE HUNGARIAN SOCIETY OF OTO-RHINO-LARYNGOLOGY

This Congress will be held in Budapest from September 19th to September 21st, 1963.

The main subjects to be discussed will be: Tumours of the Paranasal Sinuses; Occupational Ear Disease.

Will those who intend to participate write for further information to: Dr. George Revesz, General Secretary of the Hungarian Society of Otolaryngology, Budapest, 11. Keleti Karoly u. 15/a.

TWO COURSES IN RHINOLOGY TO BE PRESENTED AT LEIDEN UNIVERSITY, HOLLAND, IN JULY, 1963

Two courses in rhinology to be presented at the Leiden University, Holland in July, 1963, are expected to draw participants from many countries of the world.

A "Boerhaave" course in rhinology will be held July 4th-6th, 1963, and will be followed by the fifth International Course in "Reconstructive Surgery of the Nasal Septum and External Pyramid", July 7th-19th, with the cooperation of the American Rhinologic Society.

Both will be held at the Academisch Ziekenhuis, Afd. Keel-neus-oorheelkunde under the direction of Prof. Dr. H. A. E. van Dishoeck of the University. Dr. Maurice H. Cottle, Professor of Otorhinolaryngology at the Chicago Medical School, will be the guest professor for the two-week course in nasal surgery. Many distinguished specialists from the United States, Europe, and other countries will join in the teaching programme.

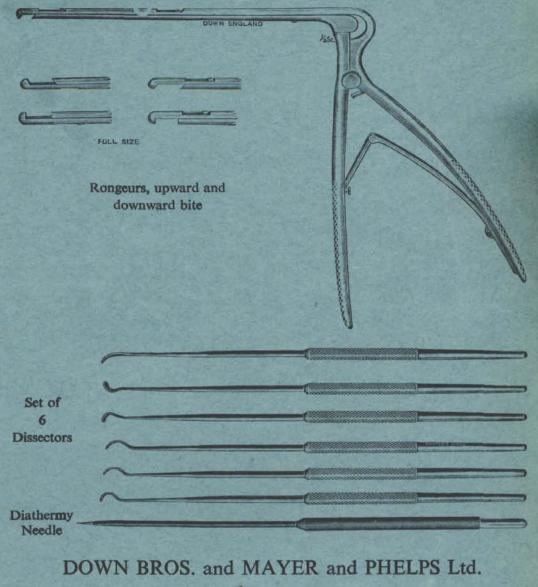
Although the courses are a year away, the popularity of previous programmes suggests the need for early arrangements because there is a limit as to the number that can be accommodated.

For further information, write to Prof. Dr. H. A. E. van Dishoeck, Afd. Keel-neus-oorheelkunde, Academisch Ziekenhuis, Leiden, Holland, or to the American Rhinologic Society, 530 Hawthorne Place, Chicago 13, Illinois, U.S.A.



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