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Dr. R. F. Gordon to succeed Dr. R. George Jaap.

FOLLOWING the resignation of Dr. R. G. Jaap (USA) as Editor of the Association's Journal—to take effect at the end of this year—Dr. R. F. Gordon (UK) was unanimously appointed Editor in his place.

Dr. R. George Jaap has carried on the duties of Editor for fifteen



years and all members will greatly regret his decision to resign. He firmly resisted pressure from the President and Executive Committee in Paris in March to continue for a further spell, pointing out that his retirement was not so far distant and that against that time he wished to taper-off his work load. Dr. Jaap continues as Treasurer of the Association.

Dr. Robert Fraser Gordon will be well known to many members. He was trained at the University of Aberdeen and the Royal Veterinary College, London, and holds the degrees of D.Sc.

(Aberdeen), D.V.Sc. (Liverpool) and F.R.C.V.S. He was recently awarded the outstanding honour of C.B.E. in the British Prime Minister's Honours List.

Dr. Gordon commenced his professional career in the British Ministry of Agriculture's Central Veterinary Laboratory at Weybridge where he was a Senior Research Officer in charge of the Poultry Diagnostic Department. He left Weybridge in the late 1940s to direct the newly established Poultry Research Station at Houghton, set up by the Animal Health Trust. This was later grant aided by the Agriculture Research Council of the UK Government and Dr. Gordon became the first Director of the Houghton Poultry Research Station—a position he currently holds and from which he retires in the autumn of 1973.

Dr. Gordon is the author of many papers on poultry diseases. He has held most of the Offices in the World's Poultry Veterinary Association and is now an Honorary Life President. At one time he was a Vice-President of the WPSA and has also been President of the UK Branch of the Association.—R.C.