From his experience of studying the histopathology of 74 eyes Stefani concludes that phthisis bulbi, which is usually post-traumatic, results from pathological processes associated with wound healing. Intraocular haemorrhage is an important predisposing event, and this observation is relevant in the management of severe ocular trauma.

It is useful to have these review articles available for reference.

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Manifestations Ophtalmologiques des Parasitoses. By J S DIALLO. Pp. 358. 450F. Masson: Paris. 1985.

The Société Française d'Ophtalmologie provides a valuable service to French reading ophthalmologists by producing each year a report on one particular topic. This volume covers a vast subject succinctly, has a useful bibliography, particularly of papers in French, and can be recommended as a useful reference book.

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Notes

Finance offered

David Cole Travel Fellowship

The David Cole Travel fellowship, instituted by Merck Sharp and Dohme in memory of Professor David Cole, will assist a visit to a hospital or research centre during the academic year starting 1 October 1987. The award will be equivalent to £2000. The purpose of the award is to enable the successful applicant to gain experience and knowledge in pursuit of a specific project related to glaucoma.

Glaucoma Group Research Grant

The Glaucoma Group Research Grant, sponsored by International Glaucoma Association, will be available for a research project clinically orientated towards glaucoma for 1987. The award will be equivalent to £2000. The Grant may be used towards salary or project expenses or for buying equipment.

Both these awards are available to medical graduates and non-medical scientists resident in the United Kingdom or the Irish Republic. They may be held concurrently with other awards. Further details and application forms from Dr S Nagasubramanian, Secretary Glaucoma Group, Glaucoma Unit, Moorfields Eye Hospital, High Holborn, London WC1V 7AN. The closing date for applications is 19 June 1987. The successful candidate will be informed by August 1987.

Ophthalmic pathology meeting

Every five years the European Ophthalmic Pathology Society and the Verhoeff Society of the USA unite for a combined meeting. The venue on 20-24th April 1986 was Philadelphia, with Drs M Yanoff and W Frayer of the Scheie Eye Institute acting as the hosts. Cases with clinicopathological correlation were presented by each of the participants as listed: Hereditary olivopontocerebellar atrophy (P Naeser, Sweden). Aicardi's syndrome (R Font, USA). Orbitofacial and ocular neurofibromatosis (F Weber, Switzerland). Niemann-Pick variant: type c (D Cogan and T Kuwabara, USA). Dysgenetic glaucoma (M Quintana, Spain). Choroidal melanoma after ruthenium irradiation (W Manschot, Netherlands). Dysplastic naevus syndrome

in an infant (O Jensen, Denmark). Lattice corneal dystrophy: type 3 (G Klintworth, USA). Reis-Buckler dystrophy (W Spencer, USA). Lipidisation and detachment of the RPE (W Green, USA). Ridley lens (D Apple, USA). Mycobacterial keratitis in radial keratotomy (N Rao, USA). Perforating fungal corneal ulcer (V Curtin, USA). Intraocular coccidioidomycosis (R Foos, USA). Nocardia endophthalmitis (A Ferry, USA). Neuronal intranuclear inclusion disease (A Tarkkanen, Finland). Serpiginous choroiditis (D Gass, USA). Stevens-Johnson syndrome (J Prause, Denmark). Vogt-Koyanagi-Harada syndrome (F Winter, USA). Necrogranulomatous scleritis (E Landolt, Switzerland). Scleritis with rheumatoid arthritis (P Egbert, USA). Eyelid malakophakia (W Frayer, USA). Prosthesisogenic conjunctival carcinoma (G Goder, GDR). Papillary squamous cell carcinoma of lacrimal sac (M Reeh, USA). Sebaceous carcinoma (I McLean, USA). Eyelid malignant syringoma (E Howes, USA). Anterior segment metastasis (H Kirk, USA). Ligneous conjunctivitis (J McGavie, USA). Metastatic breast carcinoma (F Jakobiec, USA). Malignant oculocerebral lymphoma (B Daicker, Switzerland). Eyewall resection of choroidal melanoma (W Lee, UK). Choroidal melanoma (M Yanoff, USA). Iatrogenic extension of uveal melanoma (G Naumann, FRG). Bilateral ocular melanoma (B Crawford, USA). Aneurysmal bone cyst (M Smith, USA). Orbital intraosseous cavernous haemangioma (M Bonink, USA). Orbital alveolar soft parts sarcoma (M Brihaye, Belgium). Orbital plasmacytic tumour (E Kock, Sweden). Proptosis in acute lymphocytic leukaemia (L Zimmerman, USA). Orbital acute monocytic leukaemia (B Streatan, USA). Ocular malignant fibrous histiocytoma (M Vogel, FRG). Orbital malignant fibrous histiocytoma (H Witschel, FRG). Congenital retinoblastoma (R Eagle, USA). An unusual retinoblastoma (A Garner, UK). Pseudoretinoblastoma (A Hamburg, Netherlands). Norrie's disease (D Albert, USA). Medulloblastoma of the pineal gland (T Makley, USA). Although it is not the practice to publish the proceedings, interested persons are invited to contact the individual contributors for further information regarding their cases. In all some 11 countries were represented, and at the official dinner Professor A Tarkkanen, in his capacity as President of the European Society, presented an engraved silver plaque to the American hosts.