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Appointment

Dr. P. H. Beattie has been appointed ophthalmic surgeon to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital.

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National Society for the Prevention of Blindness

The National Society for the Prevention of Blindness announces the appointment of Dr. Franklin M. Foote to the position of Executive Director succeeding Mrs. Eleanor Brown Merrill who is retiring. Mrs. Merrill has been associated with the Society for more than twenty-five years and has served as the Executive Director for the past eight years. She formerly held the positions of Associate Director and Secretary.

Dr. Foote joined the Society's staff as Medical Director in 1946. He was formerly District Health Officer of the Kips Bay-Yorkville Health District of the New York City Health Department. Prior to that, he was Chief of the Division of Local Health Administration, Connecticut State Department of Health. Dr. Foote is Assistant Professor of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Cornell University Medical College. Dr. Foote holds degrees of B.S., M.D., and Dr. P.H. from Yale University. During World War II, he served as a Major in the Medical Corps of the United States Army.

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White Oak Hospital, Swanley, Kent. 1944-45

Data on admissions during 1944-45 are incomplete owing to the evacuation of the Hospital during part of each of these two years. For 1946 there were 222 admissions distributed as shown:

- Blepharitis ... ... ... ... ... 79
- Phlyctenular ophthalmia ... ... ... ... 109
- Interstitial keratitis ... ... ... ... 4
- Recurrent styes ... ... ... ... 16
- Others ... ... ... ... ... 14

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In addition the Ophthalmia Neonatorum Unit which is still housed at White Oak, admitted 163 babies and 30 nursing mothers. Eight babies and eight mothers required re-admission.

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IIIrd Congress of Pan-American Ophthalmology

The Congress will be held in Habana from February 22 to 28, 1948. Dr. Tomas R. Yanes is President of the Local Committee and will be assisted by members of the Sociedad Cubana de Oftalmologia.

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Corrigenda

In Dr. Inglis Pollock's letter, p. 123, the following corrections should be made. Line 14, 303 should be 503. Line 15, Anglicum should be Anglicam and translation should be translatum. Line 16, pages should be folios. Line 17, 68 should be 136. Line 20, MMS. should be MS.
Contact Lens Society A scientific meeting of the Contact Lens Society was held on April 21, at 65, Brook Street, with Professor Ida Mann in the chair. About 160 members were present. A discussion on the training of contact lens practitioners was opened by Mr. Williamson-Noble, followed by Mr. K. Clifford Hall, F.S.M.C., Mr. Frank Dickinson, F.B.O.A. (Hons.), and Mr. D. W. A. Mitchell, F.B.O.A. (Hons.), F.S.M.C., D.Orth. Others who contributed to the discussion were Messrs. G. D. McKellen, Professor Ida Mann, C. L. G. Jenkin, Dr. Minton, A. E. Hogg, L. Crawford, R. A. Jones, and A. J. Forknall.

A vote of thanks to the speakers was proposed by Mr. L. Evershed Martin and seconded by Mr. C. L. G. Jenkin.

During the course of the evening three films were shown: Mr. Davis Keeler's which showed particularly the manufacturing side; the Feinbloom film which had just been flown from the United States and was shown in this country for the first time; and the London Refraction Hospital film.

Ophthalmology in South Africa

PROFESSOR H. WEVE, of Utrecht, is in Johannesburg at the time of writing. He will lecture before the Ophthalmological Society of South Africa and will also visit Cape Town and Durban.

Dr. J. Graham Scott, late of Glasgow, has started practice in Johannesburg and has been appointed Part-time Ophthalmologist to the Mines Benefit Society. Basil Graves has also been in South Africa and is now at George, Cape Province.

Corrigendum

DR. P. H. BEATTIE'S appointment, noted on p. 320, should have read Assistant Ophthalmic Surgeon.