ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING, 1951

The eleventh Annual Meeting of the Ophthalmological Society of Australia (B.M.A.) was held at Hobart, Tasmania, under the presidency of Dr. J. Bruce Hamilton during the week ending November 17, 1951. This meeting was designated the Jubilee Congress of the Society in honour of the centenary year of the Commonwealth of Australia.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Ronald Cross, and Lady Cross gave a reception at Government House and on a subsequent evening the Governor opened the congress with an inspiring address.

The meeting was attended by two distinguished guests from overseas, Dr. Henrik Sjögren (Sweden), and Mr. Arthur Lister (London), who was accompanied by Mrs. Lister.

Forty-four members from the various States of the Commonwealth were present, namely, Queensland 1, New South Wales 17, Victoria 19, Tasmania 5, Western Australia 1. Dr. Sjögren read papers on "Kerato-conjunctivitis Sicca" and "Some Dystrophies of the Pigment Layer of the Retina". Mr. Lister spoke on "Scleral Resection for Retinal Detachment" and "The Surgery of Congenital Glaucoma". Members of the Society contributed papers on "Anomalies of the Oblique Muscles", "Retrolental Fibroplasia", "Retinal Cysts", and "Facial Twitching". Cinematograph films were shown by courtesy of Dr. J. N. R. Carter, and among them was one in colour on "Lamellar Corneal Grafts", made by Professor Louis Paufique of Lyons. This film was generously lent by Professor Paufique through the courtesy of Dr. Cedric Cohen, who exhibited it and translated the sound track.

Visits were made to the Tasmanian Institute for the Deaf and Blind and to the Sight-Saving School, and for a few days before and after the congress, members and guests made several tours to places of interest and scenic beauty.

The Lord Mayor of Hobart gave a reception to members and guests, and the Premier, Mr. Robert Cosgrove, entertained them at a State luncheon. Great hospitality was received through the courtesy of the Minister for Health, Dr. David Turnbull, and from Tasmanian members and their wives. At the Annual Dinner, held at Hadley's Hotel, it was announced by the President that Dr. Sjögren and Mr. Lister had been elected honorary members of the Society. Members and guests left Tasmania with an abiding appreciation of the abundant
kindness which had been shown them, having greatly enjoyed the natural beauties and quiet charm of this lovely island.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President: - Dr. George Brew (Melbourne).
Vice-President: Dr. A. L. Tostevin (Adelaide).
Hon. Treasurer: Dr. A. E. F. Chaffer (Sydney).
Hon. Secretary: Dr. Arnold Lance, 135, Macquarie Street, Sydney.

The twelfth Annual Meeting will be held at Melbourne in August, 1952, in conjunction with the eighth session of congress of the British Medical Association in Australia.

Mr. F. W. Law, M.D., F.R.C.S., has been promoted to the rank of Commander (Brother), and Mr. H. B. Stallard, M.B.E., LL.D., M.D., F.R.C.S., to the rank of Officer (Brother) of the Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem.

OXFORD OPHTHALMOLOGICAL CONGRESS, 1952

The next meeting will be held in Oxford on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, July 3, 4, and 5, 1952. The Doyne Lecture will be delivered by Dr. Dorothy Campbell (Coventry). This year members will reside in Balliol College.

COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE HEALTH AND TUBERCULOSIS CONFERENCE, 1952

The third Commonwealth and Empire Health and Tuberculosis Conference will be held in London at the Central Hall, Westminster, from July 8-13, 1952. The first three days will be devoted to lectures and discussions, and the last three to visits to sanatoria, hospitals, and clinics. Further information may be had from the Secretary-General, National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

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