

forthrightness and directness which were sometimes, in his early years, misunderstood. He greatly enjoyed his work, and loved, particularly, the old Chinese women with their direct, quite unabashed claim for immediate attention. Many youngsters were helped in their schooling, and many old people will miss his cheerful badinage in Malay or a mixture of Chinese dialects.

He is survived by his wife, also an ophthalmologist, who greatly assisted him in the early post-war years in the academic side of his work.

DR. KASHMAHINDER SINGH WRITES:

It is with deep sorrow that I came to know of the sudden departure of my Chief. I find it difficult to believe, for he was young and so full of life.

Mr. Williamson was a great man with a big heart, and one to whom I owe so much. I feel lost without his kindness, help, and guidance. He had a great fondness for children, and his cheerful manner will be most missed by them. He was a gifted speaker, and had a warm and charming approach, especially to his staff and colleagues. His great interests were keratomalacia and trachoma. He served Singapore well, treating thousands of patients who will feel his loss.

WILLIAM SIMPSON BURR

THE death of Mr. W. S. Burr occurred suddenly at his home in Plymouth on August 5, 1957, from a recurrence of coronary thrombosis. He was 58 years of age. Mr. Burr was born in Bo'ness, West Lothian, and studied medicine at Edinburgh University, whence he graduated M.B., Ch.B. in 1921; in 1925 he obtained the D.O.M.S., and he was elected F.R.C.S. Ed. in 1927. During this period he held appointments at Bury Infirmary and Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, and latterly became senior house-surgeon at Moorfields Hospital. In 1927 he settled in Plymouth where he was honorary ophthalmic surgeon to the Royal Eye Infirmary. Some three years ago he relinquished this post but continued as honorary consultant surgeon. He leaves a widow and a son to whom our sympathy in their sudden loss is expressed.