NOTES

Professor Witmer and Professor Verrey demonstrated the results of research into the bacteriological, cytological, and serological changes in the aqueous in uveitis. Dr. Huber spoke of the ophthalmological aspects of cerebral tumours, and of electromyography of the extra-ocular muscles. It was an interesting experience to witness a clinical lecture on cataract given to the students by Professor Witmer. The lecture was introduced by the presentation of two cases by students who were then questioned by the Professor as he gave instruction on the disease. Transparencies and diagrams illustrated the appearance of different types of cataract and the steps of operative extraction. The lecture concluded with a film of the operation made in the Clinic.

Our hosts at Zürich were most generous; on the evening of our arrival they showed us round the city, and on the Saturday afternoon took us for an interesting excursion to the Rhine Falls and then to Schaffhausen where the Grieshaber family entertained us to dinner.

As the tour ended we were left with several strong impressions: the kindness of our hosts who went to great lengths to entertain us both in the clinics and socially; the healthy combination of research and clinical work; and in a different sphere the sense of pride and craftsmanship in the necessarily small firms who produce ophthalmic diagnostic and surgical instruments.

NATIONAL COUNCIL TO COMBAT BLINDNESS

The National Council to Combat Blindness, Inc., has awarded 73 grants and fellowships, totalling $250,802.50 in support of eye research during the year 1962-63. Included are 36 grants-in-aid; 15 post-doctoral research fellowships; and 22 student fellowships. Five special grants, in the total amount of $24,886.58 have been provided by the National Council—four in support of clinical service projects and one to assist in the international exchange of information concerning electroretinography studies.

OBITUARY

CHARLOTTE ELEANOR CLARK, M.B., Ch.B., D.O.M.S.

Mrs. Charlotte Eleanor Clark (née Fisher) died in hospital on August 20, 1962, at the age of 60. She was one of the first women to hold an ophthalmic resident post in London and was house-surgeon at the Western Ophthalmic Hospital, after having been a clinical assistant at Moorfields Eye Hospital. After her marriage in 1928 she lived in Coventry and there did part-time work as out-patient officer at the Birmingham and Midland Eye Hospital and as clinical assistant to the ophthalmic department of the Coventry and Warwickshire Hospital. During the war she had to leave Coventry with her family but in 1948 she was appointed senior hospital medical officer at the Coventry and Warwickshire Hospital.