OBITUARY

FRANK ANDERSON JULER, 1888–1962

If Luke was the beloved physician, his role in ophthalmology was surely duplicated by Frank Anderson Juler, whose death occurred on February 7, 1962, at the age of 81. Educated at St. Paul's School, Trinity College, Cambridge, where he gained a first in the Natural Sciences Tripos, and then at St. Mary's Hospital, at which he obtained an Entrance University Scholarship, he was soon one of the top flight of ophthalmologists, with Staff appointments at Moorfields and St. Mary's. He served in both world wars: in the first, as a Captain in the R.A.M.C., he was a member of Sir William Lister's group of ophthalmic specialists at Étaples, and in the second, he was consulting ophthalmic specialist to the B.E.F. in France.

Juler had many other appointments, among them Surgeon Oculist to the households of King George VI and the present Queen. He was awarded the C.V.O. in 1947 and in the following year became President of the O.S.U.K. He was also President of the Ophthalmic Section of the Royal Society of Medicine.

A record such as this is to be envied and it could be lengthened, but in this Journal, in which he took great interest, something more personal is called for.

It is my privilege to have known Juler over a period of some 40 years and never during this time did I experience anything except kindness and co-operation from him. This was particularly evident when it came to allocation of the few beds which were available for eye cases at St. Mary's. Traditionally this can be a subject for acrimonious discussion. During the years when Frank was senior surgeon and could have claimed the majority, if not all, of the twelve beds, such a thing never happened and was never discussed. We seemed to have an unspoken gentleman's agreement which allowed either of us who was hard pressed for beds to have what he wanted.

He was a pillar of strength when it came to encouraging a colleague either as a second opinion or by assisting at an operation. I remember the first I performed on a private patient, a glaucoma iridectomy. Frank was kind enough to assist me and from being a timorous novice, I became full of confidence that nothing could go wrong and nothing did. This gift of imparting confidence to others was not limited to ophthalmology. He was a fine golfer and on one occasion reached the final in the Jubilee Vase at St. Andrews, playing off a handicap of 6. I was naturally rather nervous at first about

playing with him, but I somehow found that, when I did, my game reached a considerably higher standard than usual. Everything seemed to come more easily when he was around.

His home life was a very happy and united one. Interested in music, of which his family were brilliant exponents, his four daughters and their mother, Mabel, would give musical evenings to which their friends were invited. Music, however, came second to ophthalmology and it was not unusual, if one called in at 96 Harley Street after dinner, to find Frank reading the *British Journal of Ophthalmology*, the latest volume of the *Transactions*, or some other recently published work.

His loss will be deeply felt by all who knew him and we would offer our deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

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NOTES

LISTER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The Lister Research Fellowship of the value of £1,500 sterling per annum, tenable for a period up to 3 years, will be awarded on January 1, 1963, for full-time research work in ophthalmology or the basic sciences connected therewith, to be carried out at Moorfields Eye Hospital and the Institute of Ophthalmology of the University of London.

Applications should be sent to the Director of Research, Institute of Ophthalmology, Judd Street, London, W.C.1, before August 31, 1962, stating the qualifications of the candidate, supported by three letters of reference, and the proposed subject of research and the applicant's approach to it.

MOORFIELDS RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

The Moorfields Research Scholarship for 1963, of the value of approximately £350 sterling, will be awarded for the best essay written on the subject "Virus Diseases of the Cornea". The prize is open to candidates of all nationalities. The essay should be sent to the Director of Research, Institute of Ophthalmology, Judd Street, London, W.C.1, England, before July 31, 1963. The essay must be presented in the English language and should be signed by a motto or a pseudonym, and accompanied by a sealed envelope containing the name of the author, and showing the motto on the outside.

SIR WILLIAM LISTER AWARD IN OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Sir William Lister Award in Ophthalmology of the value of £650 sterling is available as a Travelling Scholarship to any British ophthalmologist for the purpose of acquiring knowledge in ophthalmological techniques abroad. Applications should be sent to the Secretary, the Royal College of Surgeons of England, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2, before July 1, 1962.