

The Rudolph Ellender Eye Foundation will hold its meeting on Saturday and Sunday, April 8 and 9, 1972. The main papers will be on instruction in fitting techniques: "hard lenses" on Saturday and "flexible lenses" on Sunday.

The Symposium of the New Orleans Academy of Ophthalmology will hold registration on Sunday, April 9. Lectures, panel discussions on preselected topics, and "round tables" permitting questions from the floor will be held from Monday to Friday, April 10-14. The lectures will include didactic material on all phases of medical contact lens practice and experience and impressions of an experienced panel with flexible lenses. This will be a comprehensive programme. The New Orleans Academy of Ophthalmology guest lecturers will be Drs. Chester J. Black, Jorge N. Buxton, Herbert L. Gould, G. Peter Halberg, Herbert E. Kaufman, Ian Mackie, Perry Rosenthal, and Whitney G. Sampson.

## Course in Neuro-Ophthalmology

*National Hospital, London, May 3-5, 1972*

At a 3-day Neuro-ophthalmological course to be held at the National Hospital, Queen Square, London, on May 3-5, 1972, there will be contributors from the National Hospital, Queen Square, the Institute of Neurology, the Maudsley Hospital, the Institute of Psychiatry, Moorfields Eye Hospital, and the Institute of Ophthalmology, London. There will also be guest speakers from the U.S.A.

For further details write to the Secretary, Department of Neuro-Ophthalmology, The National Hospital, Queen Square, London, WC1N 3BG

## Irish Ophthalmological Society

*Annual Meeting, Dublin, May 8-10, 1972*

The next Annual Meeting of the Irish Ophthalmological Society will take the form of a Joint Meeting with the Dutch Ophthalmological Society and will be held in Dublin on May 8 to 10, 1972. All communications will be in English. Further information may be obtained from: Dr. G. P. Crookes, Honorary Secretary I.O.S., 18 Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin, 2, Ireland.

# Obituary

## William Arthur Briggs, 1902-1971

W. A. Briggs, who died on August 13, 1971, was educated at Cambridge and St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, qualifying in medicine in 1926. Shortly thereafter he went to Lincoln where he became interested in ophthalmology and, having taken a diploma in that subject in 1929, he obtained consultant appointments at Lincoln County Hospital and several others in the same region. He led a busy life with a large ophthalmic practice, but retired from hospital work in 1960 owing to the progress of a disabling illness which became an increasing handicap during the later years of his life. He took a very prominent part in the development of ophthalmology in Lincolnshire where he was widely known and respected. He is survived by a wife and two sons.

### Corrigendum

In the article on "Conjunctival Swabbing for the Isolation of TRIC Agent" by S. Darougar and B. R. Jones, in the September issue (*Brit. J. Ophthalmol.*, (1971), 55, no. 9, p. 586, l.18):

For 'at approximately 6 hrs after inoculation'

Read 'at approximately 60 hrs after inoculation'