Second Annual Paediatric Ophthalmology Symposium
Bermuda, 19 to 23 May 1976

American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and the Mount Sinai School of Medicine (CUNY), the Page and William Black Postgraduate School of Medicine announce that the Second Annual Paediatric Ophthalmology Symposium will be held at the Southampton Princess Hotel, Bermuda.

The Frank D. Costenbader Lecture will be given by Dr Lorenz E. Zimmerman, and subjects will include strabismus, genetics, metabolic diseases, surgical advances, and other aspects of paediatric ophthalmology.

For information write to Edward L. Raab, MD, Department of Ophthalmology, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Fifth Avenue and 100th Street, New York, NY 10029, USA.

International Trauma Congress
Boston, 17 to 19 June 1976

The Eye Research Institute of Retina Foundation will hold a three-day congress on recent advances in the diagnosis and management of trauma of the anterior and posterior segment.

For further information write to H. MacKenzie Freeman, MD, Eye Research Institute of Retina Foundation, 20 Stanford Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, USA.

6th Congress of the International Society of Diagnostic Ultrasonography in Ophthalmology
San Francisco, 1 to 7 August 1976

The 6th Congress will take place on the occasion of the Second World Congress in Ultrasonography and be held at the Regency-Hyatt Hotel, San Francisco.

Participants from Europe and the Near East should send the title of their communication to Professor Dr H. Gernet, Universitäts-Augenklinik, Westring 15, Munster/Westf. (DBR).

Participants from other countries should send the title of their communication to Dr D. Jackson Coleman, Department of Ophthalmology, Columbia University, 635 West 165th Street, New York, NY 10032, USA.

Obituary
Edward Hartmann 1893-1975

When Edward Hartmann died, there were many who felt they had lost a friend, a chief or a teacher, but French ophthalmology lost one of its most brilliant representatives.

Hartmann was born on 9 January 1893 of an old Protestant family from Mulhouse. When this French province was annexed by Germany the Hartmanns left and settled in Maisons-Lafitte, near Paris, where Edward Hartmann was born. His mother, Alice Montgomery, an American, came from a small town in Pennsylvania, not far from Philadelphia.

After qualifying in medicine, Hartmann studied ophthalmology under Morax and Pouillard, and neurology under Babinski. Deeply impressed by Babinski, he considered becoming a neurologist but finally decided to specialize in ophthalmology with a special interest in neuro-ophthalmology. He spent most of his career at the Hôpital Lariboisière in the service which Morax had created, and where he was responsible for the training of students. In addition he accepted other duties: in 1948 he became Secretary-General of the French Society of Ophthalmology; in 1950 he became Secretary-General of the International Council of Ophthalmology, an office he filled until 1962; in 1958, after Magitot's death, he accepted the post of chief editor of the Annales d'Oculistique.

Hartmann's work was both wide and varied. He has to his credit over 200 publications, dealing with a variety of subjects, the most significant being those devoted to neurology, radiology, psychosomatic disease, and strabismus. For many years he was in charge of the Department of Ophthalmology of the Clovis Vincent neurosurgical clinic at the Paris Hôpital de la Pitié and his close collaboration with the school resulted in many excellent clinical papers.

In 1966 Edward Hartmann retired to Morgas, a small Swiss city on Lake Leman between Lausanne and Geneva. From his terrace he had a view of the lake and the French Alps which reminded him of his youth. He died there on 17 January 1975, having just reached 82 years of age.

A courteous and unaffected man, Edward Hartmann was much more than a great ophthalmologist. His distinction, his stature, his natural elegance and possibly his Anglo-Saxon ancestry made him a gentleman in every sense of the word. To us, Frenchmen, he was moreover 'un grand Monsieur'.