

and the members present expressed their deep regret at his passing by rising and standing in silence.

The following candidates were balloted for and unanimously elected ordinary members:

WILLIAM JOSEPH COYNE, M.B., B.Ch., N.U.I., D.P.M., Assistant Physician, Chiswick House, Chiswick, W. I.

*Proposed by* Drs. D. W. Macaulay, Colin McDowall, and Noel Sergeant.

ARCHIBALD GLEN DUNCAN, M.D., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Assistant Medical Officer, Severalls Mental Hospital, Colchester.

*Proposed by* Drs. R. C. Turnbull, A. F. Grimby and F. Kiddle.

It was left to the Secretary to arrange the Spring Meeting, 1927, the President suggesting that it be at an institution for mental defectives if possible.

Dr. COLIN McDOWALL read a paper on "Voluntary Boarders," which was discussed by Drs. H. BAIRD, HELEN BOYLE, G. W. B. JAMES, H. WOLSELEY-LEWIS, J. R. LORD, H. J. NORMAN, D. ODLUM, W. ROBINSON, W. J. T. KIMBER, NOEL SERGEANT and Mr. W. H. GATTIE, of Camberwell House.

The members later had tea, and thus ended a most enjoyable and instructive meeting.

#### SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

THE AUTUMN MEETING of the Division was held, by kind invitation of Dr. J. Grimmond Smith and the Committee of Visitors, at the City and County Mental Hospital, Burghill, Hereford, on Thursday, October 28, 1926.

Fourteen members and two visitors were present. The very unfavourable weather was responsible for the absence of several members, and letters of apology were received from the President (Lt.-Col. J. R. Lord), Drs. W. F. Nelis, J. D. Thomas and others.

Dr. J. G. Soutar was voted to the Chair, and the minutes of the last meeting, having appeared in the Journal, were taken as read, and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

A letter from the Hon. General Secretary was read with reference to a resolution passed at the last meeting of the Division, also letters of acknowledgment from relatives of two late members, to whom messages of condolence had been sent.

A letter from Dr. A. A. D. Townsend, *re* the Association's nursing examinations, was read and discussed.

Dr. W. Starkey was nominated as Hon. Divisional Secretary, and Drs. R. Eager and J. G. Soutar as Representative Members of Council.

The following candidates were balloted for and unanimously elected ordinary members of the Association:

DUNCAN MENZIES, L.M.S.S.A., Assistant Medical Officer, Somerset and Bath Mental Hospital, Wells.

*Proposed by* Drs. J. McGarvey, W. Starkey and H. B. Wilkinson.

WALTER LOUIS ESSON, M.A., M.B., Ch.B.Aberd., Assistant Medical Officer, Devon County Mental Hospital, Exminster.

*Proposed by* Drs. R. Eager, J. W. Murdoch and W. Starkey.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Thursday, April 28, 1927, the Hon. Divisional Secretary to arrange place of meeting.

The CHAIRMAN raised the question as to whether the Representative Members of Council should be *ex-officio* members of the Committee of Management, and also sought the opinion of the meeting on matters in the Agenda of the next meeting of the Council.

Dr. R. EAGER then introduced a discussion on the Report of the Royal Commission on Lunacy and Mental Disorder, and in an able analysis of that document touched on most of the important findings and recommendations. A discussion ensued in which most of those present took part.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, Dr. Fleming's paper on "Introverted and Extroverted Tendencies of Schizoid and Syntonic States as Manifested by Vocation," had to be postponed.

A hearty vote of thanks to Dr. Smith and the Committee closed the proceedings.

During the morning members were conducted round the Hospital by the resident medical staff and were most hospitably entertained to lunch and tea.