POST-MORTEM NOTE.

A post-mortem examination was carried out some eighteen hours after death. The only gross pathological changes were a firm greyish consolidation of the upper lobe of the right lung, a red consolidation of the lower lobe of the left lung, ulceration of the Peyer’s patches and of the solitary follicles of the ileum, and fatty changes in the liver. The marrow of the upper third of the right femur was fatty and showed no leucoblastic reaction.

Microscopically, the marrow of the upper third of the right femur exhibits a predominance of myeloblasts with a smaller proportion of myelocytes. No mature granulocytes can be seen. Megakaryocytes are not reduced in number. The liver is the seat of fatty changes, and is free from cellular infiltration of any kind. On the other hand, the kidney exhibits numerous foci of cellular infiltration in the boundary zone, and many of the cells conform in their general histological characters to myeloblasts. The ulceration of the small intestine is attended by a mononuclear infiltration of the submucous and muscular coats, and bears a notable resemblance to typhoid ulceration. The consolidation of the lungs is peculiar in the respect that the air-sacs are turgid with a homogenous exudate. This exudate has been shown to contain a large proportion of fibrin by Gram’s stain, but polymorphonuclear leucocytes are entirely absent.

ULSTER MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The annual golf competition was held at the Royal County Down Golf Club, Newcastle, by kind permission of the captain and council. The president (Dr. Foster Coates) entertained the Fellows and Members to lunch and tea. The competition, which was eighteen holes against bogey, resulted in a tie between Dr. F. Barnes Elwood and Dr. H. Hilton Stewart, each being “all square.” The replay resulted in a win for Dr. Stewart at the seventeenth hole.

Fellows and Members will be pleased to learn that, owing to the generosity of the president, a handsome panel containing the names of all the presidents of the Society has been erected in the hall of the Whitla Medical Institute.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, ANNUAL MEETING, 1937

By the time this report is in print the Arrangements Committee in London will have settled a provisional programme for the Belfast Meeting in July. May we take this opportunity of reminding local members that only when we have some idea of the funds at our disposal will it be possible to make any detailed plans for the entertainment of our guests. If this is to be on the same scale as at previous meetings, we should aim at raising locally about £2,000. Only about £1,000 has been subscribed up to date, so if you have not yet sent in your subscription, please let us have it as
soon as possible. A good response now will save the funds money which would otherwise have to be spent on the printing and posting of circular letters. Subscriptions should be sent to the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. W. M. Fullerton, at the Head Office of the Ulster Bank Ltd.

S. T. IRWIN,
Chairman, Finance Committee.

R. W. M. STRAIN,
Hon. Local General Assistant Secretary.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
TYRONE DIVISION

The annual meeting was held in the Tyrone County Hospital on the 12th March, 1936, at 4.30 p.m.

The financial report for the year 1934-5 was presented by the secretary, approved of, and signed by the chairman.

The following was the result of the election of office-bearers:—Chairman, Dr. J. Chambers; vice-chairman, Dr. R. J. Spence; hon. secretary, Dr. J. R. Martin; hon. treasurer, Dr. G. A. M. Gillespie; representative on Branch Council, Dr. W. Lyle; representative on Representative Body, Dr. W. Lyle.

A special meeting was held in the Tyrone County Hospital on the 21st May, 1936, at 4.30 p.m.

The National Insurance Defence Trust was discussed, and the hon. secretary was instructed to write to the secretary of the Branch and find out the views of other Divisions, and notify the member of our Division on hearing from him.

As to the British Medical Association meeting in Belfast in July, 1937, the members were very enthusiastic about this, and many subscriptions were promised. The hon. secretary was instructed to draft out a circular and send it to all practitioners in County Tyrone, appealing for subscriptions.

As to a proposed amalgamation of the Tyrone and Fermanagh Divisions, on hearing from the latter, it was decided to drop the matter for the present.

A special meeting was held in the Tyrone County Hospital on 20th August, 1936, at 4.30 p.m., to discuss the scale of fees to dispensary medical officers in the immunization scheme against diphtheria. After full discussion, it was unanimously decided that a scale of seven shillings and sixpence per head, as laid down by the British Medical Association, be the minimum fee acceptable to the Tyrone Division. The hon. secretary of the Northern Ireland Branch was informed accordingly.

JOHN R. MARTIN, Hon. Secretary.

Holmdene, Clogher, Co. Tyrone.