

News, Notes and Queries

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE
SYMPOSIUM ON MEDICAL HISTORY
21–23 May, 1970

A symposium will be held in the Department of Medical History, University of Melbourne, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 21, 22 and 23 May, 1970 and a cordial invitation is extended to those wishing to attend. Professor Donald O'Malley, Department of Medical History, University of California, Los Angeles, has accepted an invitation to be present and give a paper.

One day has been set aside to honour Sir James Young Simpson (1811–1870) as it will be the centenary of his death. In conjunction with the Section of Medical History, Australian Medical Association (Victorian Branch), a half-day will be devoted to aspects of medical history in Australia. Other subjects to be discussed include eighteenth-century anatomical manikins, early lithotomy operations and instruments, the development of the ophthalmoscope and Australian holdings of historical medical books. Adequate time will be allowed for discussion and audience participation.

Among the speakers will be Professor C. D. O'Malley, Professor Sir Edward Ford, Professor K. F. Russell, Associate Professor B. Gandevia, Dr. F. M. C. Forster, Dr. W. Counsell, Dr. L. Murphy, Dr. H. F. Bettinger, Professor H. D. Attwood and Professor H. A. F. Dudley.

Further information may be obtained from Professor K. F. Russell, Department of Medical History, University of Melbourne, Parkville, Vic. 3052, Australia.

HAFNER AWARD

The Hafner Publishing Company will offer an award of \$200 annually for a meritorious article on the history of medicine dealing with a single individual who has made a contribution of historical interest. Sponsored by the American Association for the History of Medicine and the Medical Library Association, it will be made for an article originally published in the English language during the previous calendar year. The prize will not be given if in the committee's opinion no article appearing in that year is worthy of such an honour. The Committee solicits nominations to be submitted before 15 February 1970, for articles published in 1969.

Since this is a joint committee, the award will be made alternately at the annual meetings of these organizations. In 1970, the presentation will be made at the meeting of the American Association for the History of Medicine to be convened in Birmingham, Alabama, 1–4 April, 1970. Nominations should be sent to the Committee Chairman, Dr. Harry S. Shelley, 3725 Estes Road, Nashville, Tennessee 37215.