

affected that in June, 1914, he resigned, and was granted the full rate of pension then in force. He retired to Bedford, and, his health improving, he was able to undertake a little work with the local Neurological Board. He died at Paignton, Devon, after a short illness, on December 8, 1927.

He was a shy man, of a retiring disposition, but filled his office with exceptional dignity, and was greatly respected by many.

His wife predeceased him a few years ago. His only child, a son, is now an official in the Bank of England.

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LANDEL ROSE OSWALD, M.B., C.M.Glasg., M.P.C.,

Once Physician-Superintendent, Glasgow Royal Mental Hospital. Ordinary Member 1890-1926.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Dr. L. R. Oswald, which took place in Glasgow on March 24, 1928.

Born at Blinkbonny, in Fifeshire, in 1861, Dr. Oswald studied at the University of Glasgow, where he graduated M.B., C.M. with Honours in 1888. He gained the Brunton Memorial Scholarship, which is awarded to the most distinguished graduate of the year, and the Foulis Scholarship.

After a year as house physician to Sir W. T. Gairdner at the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, he was appointed, in 1889, Assistant Physician to the Glasgow Royal Asylum, and became a Member of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association in 1890.

In 1891 he was awarded a travelling scholarship and studied for some time on the Continent and in the United States, returning to Gartnavel.

In 1895 he was appointed Physician Superintendent to the Glasgow District Asylum at Gartloch, at that time in course of construction, and carried out most of its organization.

In 1901 he succeeded his former chief, Dr. David Yellowlees, as Physician Superintendent of the Glasgow Royal Asylum, and held that post for twenty-one years, till ill-health compelled him in 1921 to relinquish all work.

In 1904 he was appointed Lecturer in Mental Diseases at the University of Glasgow. Soon afterwards he succeeded in establishing and organizing a regular out-patient clinique for mental and nervous diseases at the Western Infirmary—the first of its kind, we believe, in Scotland. These clinical consultations were greatly appreciated by many.

Dr. Oswald was also actively concerned in the establishment of the West of Scotland Research Laboratory, which has proved such a valuable adjunct to the work of the mental hospitals in that area.

His high intellectual attainments, alertness, great force of character and untiring energies combined to make him a most capable administrator.

His services to psychiatry were very widely recognized and earned him the highest esteem. He was an enthusiastic pioneer of the open-air treatment of mental disorders, even before the days of verandah accommodation.

He took an active part in the Scottish Division of our Association, and was a President of the Section of Neurology and Psychiatry of the British Medical Association. He was a fluent speaker, keen and shrewd in debate.

A bachelor, Dr. Oswald lived almost entirely for his work and in the interests of the patients and the institution under his charge.

It was the privilege of the writer to be for a time his senior assistant, and who benefited very greatly from the force of his example and teaching.

Though a strict disciplinarian, no man went to greater lengths to help any member of his staff; indeed, to some of us he will be best remembered for his consideration and his kindness to his juniors. He was a most staunch friend and wise counsellor.

His later years were marked by a long and painful illness in which he endured much acute suffering.

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