UNESCO, INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF SPORT AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PHILIP NOEL-BAKER RESEARCH PRIZE TO PROFESSOR J. E. KANE

UNESCO's International Council of Sport and Physical Education have awarded the Philip Noel-Baker Research Prize to Professor J. E. Kane, "in recognition of outstanding research work in the field of sports psychology". He is a member of the Executive Committee of the British Association of Sport and Medicine, the second to be honoured in this way, following the award given to Dr. John Williams, our former Honorary Secretary, last year.

Professor Kane is well known to our members, and served on the Executive Committee for several years in the late 1960's, at which time he was head of the Physical Education Department at St. Mary's College, Twickenham. He obtained his M.Ed degree at Manchester, and Ph.D. at London. In 1973 he was appointed Head of the Physical Education Department at Leeds University, and the following year at Loughborough in the joint appointments of Principal of the College of Education and Professor in the University of Technology, his main task being to amalgamate the College within the University. This appointment is the first of professorial status in physical education in the United Kingdom. He rejoined the Executive Committee after the last Annual General Meeting in November 1974, and is a most valuable and hard-working member of the Editorial Board of this journal.

OBITUARY

Mr. F. J. M. Johnson, D.P.E.

At the last moment before finally going to press, we learn with great regret of the death of Fred Johnson, in Leicester General Hospital on April 10th 1975. For many years Fred was Adviser in Physical Education to Leicestershire County Council, but after the appointment of Mr. Clinton Sayer to the Sports Council, he became Head of the Physical Education Department of Loughborough College of Education in 1969, and died in office after a long, painful and disabling illness.

Even before Fred Johnson joined B.A.S.M. in 1962, he took a keen interest in our work, and supported us in meetings held in his county, as well as in national gatherings. He had a special interest in physical activity for the middle-aged, and was a pioneer of a scheme run in Leicestershire for medically-supervised exercise sessions for executives, later supported by the Institute of Sports Medicine. He was a prominent member of the British Association of Organisers and Lecturers in Physical Education, and for many years organised their annual course at Loughborough. He also played a very important part both in administration and teaching in the Loughborough Summer Schools.

Much of the present liaison between the professions of medicine and physical education is due to a few people, of whom Fred Johnson was prominent. I personally shall miss a kind and sympathetic friend, and B.A.S.M. a valuable member.

H. E. Robson