

OBITUARY

Dr. A. J. DALZELL-WARD, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., F.F.C.N.

Dr. Arthur James Dalzell-Ward died on March 3rd, in office as chief medical officer of the Health Education Council, and a prominent member of the Board of Management of the Institute of Sports Medicine. He qualified in 1937, from Charing Cross Hospital, spent a short time in general practice, and served with distinction in the RAMC during the war, retiring from the army with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. During his war service he became keenly interested in problems of hygiene in the far East, and the causation of illness through ignorance. After the war, he worked for the World Health Organisation in the near East. For the next few years, he was in the School Health Service in the U.K., and joined the permanent staff of the Central Council of Health Education in 1952, becoming medical director in 1958.

In 1962, when BASM started holding meetings outside London, we had a great deal of help from Dr. Dalzell-Ward, when we organised a joint meeting with the Physical Education Association and Medical Officers of Schools Association, and after the formation by BASM, the British Olympic Association and the Physical Education Association of the Institute of Sports Medicine, Dr. Dalzell-Ward continued his sports medicine interest with the Institute, as a joint treasurer, and sometimes as acting chairman. His wide experience of many branches of medicine, and his wise council, will sadly be missed.

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Professor Joseph FORBES, Ph.D.

It is with regret that we learnt of the death of Professor Forbes on January 19th, 1976, at the age of 65. For many years he had been head of the Physical Education Department at Humboldt State University, California, where he promoted the application of physiology to the teaching of physical education and travelled widely to gain experience that he could put to good use in this field. He visited the U.K. on several occasions, and I had several long and interesting talks with him when he came to Loughborough. He made our members welcome if they saw him in California, and he joined BASM in 1971; one of a group of distinguished American members who have contributed a good deal to the work of our Association and the publications of its journal.

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Dr. Ernest TAYLOR, M.B., B.S., D.Obst.R.C.O.G.

We were very saddened to hear of the premature death last June of Dr. Ernest Taylor, who was in general practice in Slough. He qualified in 1958 at the University of Durham (later Newcastle) School of Medicine, and I first met him during his first year in Anatomy. He was in the R.A.F., and a Squadron Leader – Res., at the time of his death. He also served in the St. John Ambulance Brigade as Divisional Surgeon.

He joined BASM in 1973, and was involved extensively with the medical care of sportsmen – medical adviser to Slough Town Football Club, the English Women's Football Association and the Slough and District Amateur Boxing Association. Sportsmen in Buckinghamshire will miss greatly a doctor who was a sports medicine practitioner at the "grass-roots" level.

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