OBITUARY

Brigadier H. L. Glyn Hughes, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Croix de Guerre,
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By the sudden death of Brig. Glyn Hughes, at the age of 81, on November 24th 1973, Britain has been deprived of one of its outstanding doctors in many fields. He qualified at University College Hospital in 1915, saw much war service and was wounded in the first World War. He continued to serve in the Territorial Army between the wars, and in the second World War trained many medical units for active service, was responsible for the care and rehabilitation of the victims of Belsen, and after the war he commanded the R.A.M.C. depot at Crookham, where many doctors who qualified towards or after the end of the war passed through his hands during their national service. After his Service career, he played a prominent part in medical administration during the first decade of the National Health Service, and later in the founding of the Royal College of General Practitioners. He also played a big part in the Medical Council against Alcoholism.

Brig. Glyn Hughes joined B.A.S.M. in 1955, two years after the founding of the Association, and for many years was a most valuable “elder statesman” on the Executive Committee, able to bring in his valuable and most varied experience and knowledge of people and procedure. Although he left the B.A.S.M. in 1967, when he retired from active practice, he kept on a keen interest in sport, especially Rugby football, and we were delighted to see him amongst those present at the B.A.S.M./B.O.A. symposium on Altitude Training on November 21st. Three days later, he died in Edinburgh just after the International at Murrayfield.

We will constantly be reminded of him every time we hear the R.A.M.C. march past to their Corps March, “Heres a health unto his Majesty”, chosen as the official march, of course, by their former Inspector, Brigadier Glyn Hughes.

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