

A new Seminar is now starting at Bridgnorth in Shropshire and applications should be sent to Dr Jean Grey at 9 Hall Meadow, Hagley, Worcestershire.

CORRECTIONS

Dr J. Spears

The acknowledgement section of Dr J. Spears's paper in the April *Journal* should have read as follows: I wish to express sincere thanks to Dr J. B. Peacock, Senior Research Associate, Department of Engineering Production, University of Birmingham for his statistical analyses, to Dr A. C. Kendall for his encouragement and helpful criticism, and to my

partners Drs D. S. Foster, J. R. T. Finlayson, I. C. Baxter and Pauline T. Dooley for their kind co-operation.

Dr Dorothy Younie

We apologise for an omission of the formal acknowledgement requested by Dr Dorothy Younie in her paper on *Mental subnormality and the general practitioner*, published in the April *Journal*. This acknowledgement should have been to a comprehensive multi-disciplinary study which formed the basis of the material selected for her paper and this will be published under the title *Total Ascertainment of Mental Subnormality in North East Scotland*.

Obituaries

THE HON. ERMINE MARY KYFFIN EVANS

With the death of Mrs Ermine Evans the College has lost its first benefactress. There is the old childhood fantasy of the good fairy in attendance at the moment of birth, the fairy godmother whose influence remains to help the child grow up. Mrs Evans played that role for us. The Steering Committee met and worked at her house in London, No. 7 Mansfield Street, and it was there, on the evening of 19 November 1952 that a handful of signatures on a legal document brought the College to life.

The tradition goes on that the child receives a gift. What more appropriate gift for an infant college than the learning and scholarship of a library? The Geoffrey Evans library at the College, that we know today to be unique among the libraries of the world, was her gift, in memory of her late husband.

The continuing interest in the growth and maturing of the child is vested in her son Ancrum Evans who has served the College as its auditor since the foundation. We have, indeed, good reason to extend our sympathy to him and to his family in their loss, which is also ours.

FRANK GEORGE HOWARD WATSON M.R.C.G.P., D.Obst.R.C.O.G., D.G.O., L.M. (Rotunda)

Dr Howard Watson, general practitioner in Salisbury for the last 30 years died on 8 May 1975, aged 58.

Frank George Howard Watson was born in Edinburgh on 5 April 1917. The son of a doctor he was educated at Epsom College and St Mary's Hospital Medical School where he qualified in 1942. He joined up immediately and served as a Surgeon Lieutenant in H.M.S. Belfast, taking part in several Russian convoys. After the war he took the D.G.O. (Dublin), L.M. (Rotunda) and the D.Obst.R.C.O.G., and joined a well-established practice in Salisbury. His interest in obstetrics led to his appointment as Assistant Obstetrician at Salisbury Infirmary.

Medical Officer to a local Preparatory School, he was a Member of the Medical Officers of Schools Association, Local Medical Officer to the Civil Service, and Civilian Medical Practitioner to H.Q. Southern Command (now H.Q. U.K.L.F.), a founder member of Salisbury Medical Society. He was an active member of the British Medical Association and held most of the offices of the Division, including that of Secretary. His membership of the Wiltshire Local Medical Committee and the Salisbury Group Hospitals Management Committee took much of his time. He was a founder member of Salisbury Round Table.

Howard had the qualities of a good doctor which gained the respect of his colleagues and the affection of his many patients. He did much more for them than was medically necessary. He never seemed rushed. A good listener and a wise counsellor, he continued to give himself to his work until he was physically unable to continue.