UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.
A meeting of the Senate was held on July 21st, when the Vice-Chancellor (Sir William Beveridge) was in the chair.

Metal in Librarianship.

Thanks were accorded to Mr. Donald MacAllister for his offer to inaugurate a fund for the establishment of a metal in memory of his late Sir William, to be awarded to students at the School of Librarianship at University College, and regulations were adopted for the award thereof.

Chair of Pharmacology, University College.

Mr. R. R. Verney, M.A., M.B., Ch.Ch., Cantab., M.R.C.P., was appointed to the university chair of pharmacology tenable at University College. He was educated at Tonbridge School, Downing College, Cambridge (1913-15), where he obtained a First Class in Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos in 1916, and as St. Bartolomew's Hospital (1916-18). From 1918 to 1919 he served with the R.A.M.C. He was assistant in the department of physiology at University College 1921-24, and since 1924 in the medical unit at University College Hospital.

Diploma in Nursing.

A diploma in nursing was instituted and regulations were adopted for the award thereof.

Doctorate.

The degree of D.Sc, in Biocchemistry was conferred upon J. H. Quastel for a thesis entitled "(1) The relationship of the chemistry of resting bacteria towards bacterial growth, and (2) a theory of the mechanism of oxidation and reductions in rye."

Prize and Studentship.

The Rogers Prize of £100 for 1926 was awarded to Robert Coop, M.B., Ch.B., Liverpool, for an essay entitled "The value of the various methods of investigating diseases of the pancreas."

The second class of the University of London Scholarship for Botany for 1926-27, of the value of £50, has been awarded to Mr. E. T. Coull, who proposes to undertake research in physiology at Guy's Hospital, particularly on the clinical side, and also to assist in his work on anaesthesia in relation to its clinical application.

Committee.

In addition to the elections already mentioned, Sir Wilmot Herringham has been re-elected chairman of the Library Committee and Dr. E. R. Graham Little, M.P., of the Council for External Students.

Matriculation Examination.

At the June matriculation examination 195 passed in the first division and 973 in the second division; in addition 51 took the supplementary certificate for Latin and 2 for Greek.

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:


UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

The following awards have been made in the Faculty of Medical Science: Flora Hare Scholarships. Examinership Scholarship: J. C. S. Wells. Medical Entrance Exhibitions: C. W. F. Burnett, M. E. Ellis. Anatomy: Gold medal (senior class), D. F. Ogbon in the silver medal (junior class). Flora Hare Scholarships. Histology and Embryology: Silver medal. Flora Hare Scholarships. Organic and Applied Chemistry: Silver medal. Flora Hare Scholarships. Pathology: Scholar prize, A. S. Farkas in the gold medal (senior class), Margaret D. Wright. Pharmacology: Silver medal, D. F. Ogbon (since deceased).

GUY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.

The following awards have been made for 1926:


LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND TROPICAL MEDICINE.

(Division of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene)

The following have successfully passed the school examination at the termination of the eight session (March-July): N. Andrews, R. T. G. Craven (winner of "Dunstan" and "Lalema" medals), E. G. Fothergill, J. C. Paisley, J. C. Macgregor, W. Thompson, R. W. Thomson, T. G. Wakefield, C. R. Jackson, A. A. Macauley, J. A. W.

Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh.

At the quarterly meeting held on July 20th, when Dr. R. R. Robertson, was elected as successor to the late Professor A. S. Davies Gilchrist who was introduced as a Fellow of the College. On the motion of Dr. Lorrain Smith the annual report by the council of the college, was approved. It was announced that Dr. James Walker Dawson had been appointed Morison lecturer for 1927. The Victoria Jubilee College prize was awarded equally between D. Lovell Guildall and Dr. Alexander Goodfellow. Letters were read from the Dean of the Medical Faculty and from the secretary of Edinburgh University College for the share in the recent bicentenary celebrations.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH.

At a meeting of the College held on July 23rd, when Dr. A. Logan Turner, president, was in the chair, the following 23 successful candidates, out of 66 entered, having passed the requisite examinations, were admitted as Fellows:


Medical News.

At the meeting of the Parliamentary Medical Committee on July 28th Dr. Fremantle, who was in the chair, read a letter from the Earl of Balfour announcing that the Committee of the Privy Council had considered the petition of the Royal College of Surgeons of England praying for the grant of a Supplemental Charter, together with the counter-petition of Dr. Roche and the Holy Roman Church to the Royal College to the counter-petition, and the resolutions passed by the Parliamentary Medical Committee in support of the counter-petition. In view of the fact that the counter-petition raised important controversial points on which there was a division of opinion within the Royal College, the Privy Council could not recommend the adoption of its proposals. The draft petition approved for by the Royal College had been formally approved by the King at the Privy Council on June 30th. The Parliamentary Medical Committee decided to take no further action in the matter.

The annual meeting of the British Association will begin at Oxford on Wednesday next, July 31st, and the President, the Prince of Wales, will deliver his address on the evening of that day. He will, it is anticipated, deal with relations between scientific research, the community, and the State, both at home and in the overseas dominions. The meeting (of the sections, twelve in number, will begin on the following day and continue until Tuesday, August 10th. The concluding general meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 11th. The president of the Section of Physiology, Professor J. B. Leathes, will deliver his address, on function and design, on the morning of Thursday, August 5th. On Friday the section will be held at Bearwood and the speakers will be Professor Charles Chalmers, of the Sorbonne, who will give an account of his methods and the results he has obtained.

The St. Thomas's old students' dinner will be held on October 29th at the Hotel Victoria, Northumberland Avenue, at 7.30 p.m. The dinner will be held on the evening of that day. He will, it is anticipated, deal with relations between scientific research and the community, and the State, both at home and in the overseas dominions. The meeting (of the sections, twelve in number, will begin on the following day and continue until Tuesday, August 10th. The concluding general meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 11th. The president of the Section of Physiology, Professor J. B. Leathes, will deliver his address, on function and design, on the morning of Thursday, August 5th. On Friday the section will be held at Bearwood and the speakers will be Professor Charles Chalmers, of the Sorbonne, who will give an account of his methods and the results he has obtained.

Sir James Chrichton-Brown, who recently resigned the office of treasurer of the Royal Institution after holding it for thirty-seven years, was presented last week by his fellow members with a valuable book giving an account of his methods and the results he has obtained.

The King has granted Dr. Roy M. Humphreys, Inspector of the Sudan Medical Service, licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Order of the Nile conferred upon him by the King of Egypt for valuable services rendered.

The 1925 compiled from reports of health authorities of the United States show that there were 43,193 cases of small-pox in the United States. During the first quarter of this year a number of cases occurred in California, with deaths, of which were in Los Angeles alone. In Providence, on the other hand, where there has occurred an epidemic of small-pox, there have been five deaths. In Providence, on the other hand, where there has been no small-pox since the negro vaccination campaign, there has been only one death from small-pox since 1925.

Out of a total of 147,010 medical practitioners in the United States 2,532 died in 1925. Their ages ranged from 26 to 70. Most of the deaths occurred between 60 and 70. Of the 2,420 deaths from which no cause was given, 277 were due to diseases of the circulatory system, including 559 of morbus cordis. Cerebral haemorrhage occupied the second place, with 233 deaths. Pneumonia was responsible for 222 deaths, and influenza for 28. Gastro-intestinal diseases caused 287 deaths, of which 161 were due to nephritis; 33 deaths were attributed to appendicitis, 118 to cancer, and 82 to tuberculosis.