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SPEAKS ON GOITRE

Bone Lesions Are Scientifically Described By Chicago Surgeon.

Recent developments in research work on diseases of the thyroid gland, nown to the laymen as goitre, were explained to members of the Western Ontario Academy of Medicine who gathered at Western University Medical School yesterday afternoon. by Dr. Henry S. Plummer of Rochester, Minn. Dr. Plummer, who is an authority on diseases of the thyroid gland, presented many interesting features in the study of this medical problem, and at the conclusion of his address, held a clinic on several patients present who are suffering with

Dr. Dean Lewis, of Rush Medical College, and the Presbyterian Hospital College, Toronto, was the second speaker of the afternoon, his paper dealing with bone lesions. .Dr. Lewis is an outstanding bone surgeon of America, and his able description of his subject, illustrated by lantern slides. was listened to with interest by the many physicians of London and district who were present. Introduced by Dr. George A. Ram-say of London, Dr. Plummer related memories of London since his boy-hood days. This distinguished spe-cialist of the Mayo Clinic humorously told those present that when a small boy he and his father passed through London on a train, and during the brief stopover, he saw a porter of a

local hotel ringing the largest dinner gong that he had ever seen.
"I immediately made up my mind that my ambition would be to own a dinner gong, and lead all the other boys back home down the street, said Dr. Plummer, "and while that is over 35 years ago, every time I hear a dinner gong I think of London." In his opening remarks on diseases f the thyroid gland Dr. Plummer reviewed the confusing nomenclature as applied to them in the medical world. He stated that in his talk he would endeavor to eliminate much of this complexity by "boiling down" the subject to the most simple classification. He then proceeded to out-line the function of the thyroid gland which he declared was to elaborate thyroxin, an active agent released in the blood, which was first isolated by one of his colleagues doing reearch work at the Mayo Clinic. The exact physical chemical complex of thyroxin, he stated, is at pre-

sent unknown to science, but observation lead to the belief that it conrels the rate of formation of poten tial energy in the body. Dr. Plummer compared the thyroid gland to a transformer of energy such as those employed by electrical engi-neers. He reviewed the theories advanced to explain the exact activity of this gland, and passing on pre-sented a resume of its common dis-

Included in this list was the hyperactive gland of puberty in girls, which has been counteracted in a measure by the administration of small quantities of iodine periodically as a routine. He stated that at this time of life, the thyroid gland is handscapped by a lack of iodine, the administration of this days employed.

Benlies To Massau Charse administration of this drug supplying the deficiency and thus preventing the gland from enlarging in an effort to make up the need. At this point Dr. community the right to give power to Plummer warned those present that a bordering municipality, providing such administration in certain cases is liable to set up a more malignant form of goitre

prevalence of thyroid gland disorders discovered in army recruits during the war. Endemic goitre, and cretinism, the latter a condition of almost the constructors. The pre helplessness, with all body activities communications received deranged because of thyroid gland in-efficiency were reviewed by Dr. Plummer, who then explained the therapy of thyroxin, employed with encouragof thyroxin, employed with encouraging success as a cure. Differential diagnosis of the types of goitre also. The rate of pay as stated in the fair "The" received his attention in a capable wage contract had been right with the

ure of Dr. Plummer's address was his description of exopthalmic goitre, and its chief symptoms. This disease, manifesting itself to the patient by protrusion of the eyes, elevation of In discussion on colonization road protrusion of the eyes, elevation of body metabolism and nervous symptoms was treated by the distinguished visitor, who presented six cases of the control of the eyes, elevation of body metabolism and nervous symptoms with the control of the eyes, elevation of body metabolism on colonization road grants, J. H. Marceau and Colonel J. A. Currie had a row. The latter

Research conducted at the Mayo Clinic had shown that administration of iodine in this serious disease has gone far in reducing the death rate and Dr. Plummer passed the information on to Western Ontario medi-cal men to utilize in treatment of their patients. Lugol's solution was utilized, and Dr. Plummer quoted statistics which served to prove that the research work has revealed a method of reducing the mortality in such cases of goitre. Of 915 operations done for goitre last year at the Mayo Clinic but four deaths had resulted, the speaker attributing this fact to the administration of iodine during each crisis. He described these results as "most spectacular."
Whether this drug should be employed as a routine Dr. Plummer was not prepared to state definitely, but expressed the belief that future work would reveal this as a fact. In con-

clusion he stressed the seriousness of exopthalmic goitre.

"The fellow who does not have many deaths from exopthalmic goitre is the follow who is the fellow who does not have many bad cases shipped in on him," was Dr. Plummer's significant concluding sentence. A discussion of the paper followed the clinic, those taking part including Dr. C. Mowbray of Hamilton, Dr. Clifford Reason, Dr. A. J. Grant, and Dr. Robert Fergusón.

Advises Surgical Operations. That it is better to operate for acute inflammation of a bone and find that the operation was not necessary than to overlook the condition and be compelled to face a sertion, and be compelled to face a sertion, and be compelled to face a sertion, and be compelled to face a sertion. tion, and be compelled to face a ser-surgeon, was the keynote of Dr. Dean Lewis' talk on bone lesions. The difficulty of making a diagnosis in osteo myelitis acute as this condi-tion is known, was emphasized by the Chicago surgeon, who stated that if the diagnostician is to err he should err in favor of prompt surgical treat-ment.

He urged the doctors present to be

lay operation, and also stressed the value of an early diagnosis in cases of sarcoma. Dr. Lewis characterized tardy diagnosis in these cases as most unfair to the patient, whose life is placed in greater jeopardy, and to the surgeon, who is not given full opportunity to save the life that re desires.

Less common bone diseases, such as fragilitis osseum, endochondroma, fibrous asteitis, Paget's disease of the skull, myositis, ossificans and luctic osteitis were dealt with by Dr. Lewis, who illustrated his remarks by excellent lantern slides of actual

by excellent lantern slides of actual cases met by him in the United States. The value of X-ray in the diagnosis of sarcoma was a salient point in his address.

In the discussion which followed Dr. Hadley Williams and Dr. C. Mowbray of Hamilton characterized him as "the foremost authority on bone lesions of any of the younger surgeons of America."

During the afternoon Vilinalmir

During the afternoon Viljhalmir Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, was present and addressed the academy on medical points which he gleaned during his trips to the northern re-gions. His remarks proved most in-teresting, and he also answered several questions addressed by the

The meeting yesterday afternoon, which was presided over by Dr. C. A. Harris, was well attended. The next session of the Western Ontario Academy of Medicine will be held here late in May, when prominent medical men will address the mem-

Ontario Legislature To Aid Banting and Best In Researches.

WILL AMEND ACT

Important Change In Medical Measure Is Considered.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, April 28.-The legislature today put itself into a position to finish its work next week. There was little acrimonious discussion. afthough the premier brought down some information to throw enlightenment on a debate of the night before. Yesterday there was an important amendment to the medical act introduced and the official recognition of Drs. F. H. Banting and C. H. Best as discoverers of insulin, the new treatment for diabetes.

Just after the house opened the premier introduced the bill which put aside, governed by university regulations. \$10,000 a year for Dr. Banting and Mr. Best for research work. Dr. Banting becomes the pro-fessor in charge and Mr. Best the assistant.

Captain Ramsden (Southwest Tocaptain Ramsden (Southwest To-ronto) brought to the premier's at-tention the matter of making perman-ent the appointment of returned sol-diers who had been in the service for 12 months. He wanted a guarantee put into legislation. The prime ented a resume of its common disrders.

Administers lodine.

Included in this list was the hyperinto legislation. The prime
minister said that the government
had pursued a policy of preference
but doubted if it was wise to put
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> Replies To Marceau Charge. The house passed in committee the act which gives one hydro power community the right to give power to

the latter gives consent.

The prime minister took several orm of goitre.

The speaker then mentioned the revalence of thyroid gland disorders employees on the extension of the iscovered in army recruits during proper treatment at the hands of the constructors. The premier read from the chief engineer of the T. & N. O. and Commissioner Martin of the T. & N. O. board that the fair purchased back from the T. Eaton Possibly the most interesting feat-ire of Dr. Plummer's address was his

visitor, who presented six cases at said that most of the overseers were French. Mr. Marceau took the statements as meaning those of foreign birth and commenced to defend the French Canadian in Northern Ontario development. Colonel Currie informed Mr. Marceau that he meant no such thing, and that the French no such thing, and that the French were as much native to Northern Ontario as were any other race.

The House adjusted at f. The House adjurned at 6 p.m.

QUESTIONS TREASURER.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, April 28.-The public ac counts committee of the negistature yesterday sought information from The bonds were purchased from the collicitors for the Eaton estate.

The witness replied in the affirmation to the purchase of bonds by the collicitors for the Eaton estate. Ontario government during the past year. W. F. Nickle conducted the examin-

ation for the Conservatives, and ask- Ontario government at a profit. The ed particularly concerning the suc-department, said Mr. Matthews, had

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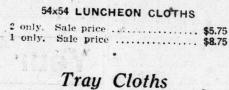
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was done to protect the department against sales of these bonds to other estates. Mr. Nickle—"You paid a premium of \$43,000 to protect yourself for two months?"

"Yes," Mr. Nickle-"Rather you paid \$43,-

bonds had gone to another estate the size of the Eaton estate that the loss of the province could have been \$200,-000 in succession duties if that percounts committee of the Legislature son had died within the two months.

The witness replied in the affirma-tive to Mr. Nickle that people were buying Ontario bonds in the London market and selling them back to the

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