

## ASSOCIATION NEWS

### MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING OF THE ASIAN CHAPTER, HELD AT THE RADIO CLUB LIMITED, 157, ARTHUR BUNDER ROAD, BOMBAY-5, ON SUNDAY FEB. 25, 1962 AT 12-30 P.M.

The meeting was held at the premises of the Radio Club Ltd., at Bombay. Mrs. and Dr. Joseph Fernandez, President of the Indian Association of Dermatologists and Venereologists played the hosts on this important occasion. The meeting was attended by the members and delegates attending the Fourth All India Conference of Dermatologists and Venereologists. The following foreign guests were also present by invitation:

Professor. Frederick Reiss (U.S.A.)  
Dr. L. J. A. Loewenthal (Johannesburg)  
Professor Abdel M. El Mofty (Egypt)  
Professor R. Schuppli (Switzerland)

Professor K. Ito (Japan)

Dr. M. J. P. DeSilva (Ceylon)

Drs. G. A. Aleem, Nusrat Ali Shaikh and Zarina Fazelbhoj (Pakistan).

Dr. Frederick Reiss was proposed to the Chair to initiate the proceedings of the business meeting. He conveyed the warm greetings from the President and the Board of Members of the International Society for Tropical Dermatology and hailed this event as the red letter day in the history of the International Society when its first Chapter was being born. He was happy to be associated with this event. The Chapter was presented by him at the official inauguration of the Conference and of the Asian Chapter by His Excellency Shri Sri Prakasa, the Governor of Maharashtra on February 23, 1962. Subsequently, Dr. R. V. Rajam, F.R.C.P., F.R.S. (Edin.), the senior most member of the profession in India and the 1st President of the Indian Association of Dermatologists and Venereologists was proposed by Dr. Reiss to take over the Chairmanship and conduct the meeting. The Agenda of the business meeting was already circulated before the meeting, the following items from which are adopted:—

#### (1) ENROLMENT OF MEMBERS AND AGREEMENT TO THE FORMATION OF THE ASIAN CHAPTER

The Chapter had an auspicious beginning with the enrolment of 45 Founder Members and 30 Ordinary Members registering on the first day. The members of the International Society of Tropical Dermatology from Pakistan, Ceylon, Japan and Egypt were present and joined as the Founder Members. The letters of agreement and support to this move were received from the members of our profession from Indonesia, Thailand, Malaya, Hongkong, Iran, Lebanon, Israel, and Australia.

#### (2) RULES AND REGULATIONS

An Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Drs. Frederick Reiss, R. V. Rajam, S. C. Desai, K. C. Kandhari, L. J. A. Loewenthal, Dr. Joseph Fernandez with Dr. V. R. Khanolkar (Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay) and Dr.