

been discussed by the Executive then shall be brought to general meeting next month.

The meeting after a vote of thanks to the chair, the host Dr. Dharampal and the discussors of cases—came to a close.

The members then walked to the department of Dermatology where tea and light refreshment were served with Dr. Dharampal standing as host.

(K. C. KANDHARI)

Hony. Secretary.

NEWS & VIEWS

INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

BOMBAY TERRITORIAL BRANCH

I. Honours to Medical Profession :

We are glad to announce that

1) Dr. C. L. Jhaveri, President, Bombay Territorial Branch of Indian Medical Association. 2) Dr. J. C. Paymaster: Superintendent of Tata Memorial Hospital are awarded the distinction of (F. A. C. S.) Fellowship of American College of Surgeons". Dr. V. V. Shah, Dr I. J. Pinto are awarded the distinction of (F. A. C. C.) Fellowship of American College of Cardiologist, and Dr. G. D. Adhia is awarded the Fellowship of the Scientific Council of the International College of Angiology (F. I. C. A.). Dr. G. S. Perhar M. D. has been elected a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians, (F. C. C. P). Dr. Mukund Parikh F. R. C. S. (Eng.) has been elected a Fellow of the American College of Gastro-Enterology. (F. A. C. G.) Dr. Sheriar J. Irani. has been elected a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians.

We congratulate all of them.

ALEMBIC NEWS

Excerpts from Speech of the chairman Shri R. B. Amin at the fifty-sixth annual general meeting on 20th June 1963.

Ladies & Gentlemen,

I have great pleasure in welcoming you to the 56th Annual General Meeting of the Company.

As might have been noticed from the Accounts and Directors' Report, the working results for the year have shown an all-round improvement over those of the previous year. The sales picked up, and increased by about Rs. 70.00 lacs to Rs. 3.53 crores this year; the profits earned were almost double of those of the previous year (Rs. 17.35 lacs and Rs. 33.96 lacs). The reserve and surplus position has been strengthened further.

The necessity of a tremendous increase in production, both for meeting the Chinese aggression and for fulfilling our development programmes, is obvious. It should, however, be realised that the Emergency can only underline the need for a greater effort by all; it does not by itself constitute a means of achieving the

higher productivity. Therefore, the means and incentives by which a higher productivity is obtained must not be lost sight of. Government policies, including the taxation policy must, therefore, be directed towards further growth of production and providing incentives for a higher productivity. Particular importance must be attached to increasing investment in industries and to creating a favourable climate for exports.

I would like now to refer to some of the activities we propose to pursue in the current and the coming year :

(1) VIRUS RESEARCH CENTRE : With the advent of antibiotics, most diseases of bacterial origin have been controlled, but viral diseases are not yet amenable to control. However, the last few years have given us considerable hope in this field too. Viral vaccines have been developed against Poliomyelitis and measles, and many similar vaccines seem to be in the offing. We considered it important to enter this field at this stage and have, therefore, started a new virus research laboratory. We believe that this is the first such effort in the private sector in India.

(2) MANUFACTURE OF CONSUMER GOODS : With almost a virtual ban on the import of many types of consumer goods, the demand for such goods of good quality remains unsatisfied. With the increasing standards of living, the demand for quality consumer goods is bound to increase. We thought that it would be possible for your Company to undertake the manufacture of some of these and thereby to diversify the Company's activities also. A beginning would be made with such products, as, Dentifrices, Inhalers and Nasal Drops, Clear and Pearly Shampoos, Non-caloric Sweetening Agents, First Aid Sprays and such other things as every one in the family desires. Most of these products have already been scientifically developed by us in our laboratories and have been tested. A few more are at the laboratory stage.

All these products would be marketed under a special Brand name, and it is expected that some of them would be in the market early next year.

ASIAN ASSOCIATION OF GASTROENTEROLOGY CONGRESS. 1964, CHANDIGARH, PUNJAB.

At the invitation of the Indian Society of Gastroenterology the Asian Association of Gastroenterology has agreed to hold its next Asian Congress in India. This will be held at CHANDIGARH, Punjab, from 27th to 29th January 1964.

Apart from delegates from the Asian Countries, representatives from the parent body, the World Organisation of Gastroenterology (O.M. G. E.) would be attending the Congress.

Registration : Delegate's fee : Single Rs. 35/-
Couple Rs. 50/-

Accommodation : would be arranged on intimation.

Further details can be had from the organising secretary.

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