## ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

(Southern Branch)

The Meeting of the Southern Branch of Indian Association of Dermatologists was held in Vellore on July 11, 1970 under the auspices of the Department of Dermatology, Christian Medical College Hospital.

Dr. C. Sobhanadri, President of the Southern Branch gave his presidential address. He stressed in his presidential address the role of our speciality in the undergraduate and post graduate training and research. When the Government of India is stressing importance of the role of the basic doctor in our country, it is sad to realise that very little time is devoted for the under-graduate training in Dcrmatology considering the fact that nearly 25 to 30% of the practice of the practice of the Private Practitioners deals with dermatologic problems. He pointed out that research is an integral part of the postgraduate training. He further pointed out that Leprosy and Venereology should be important parts of the postgraduate training in Dermatology.

Following a brief business seassion, there was a clinical meeting in which following cases were presented;

- (1) Neonatal Acquired Syphilis- by Dr. B. M. S. Bedi, Pondicherry.
- (2) Leiomyoma of skin- by Dept. of Dermatology, CMCH, Vellore.
- (3) Dermatomyositis- by Dept. of Dermatology, CMCH., Vellcre.
- (4) Lipoid Proteinosis- by Dept. of Dermatology, CMCH., Vellore.

There was a Histopathology session in the afternoon.

Following slides were demonstrated:

- (1) Sarcoidosis- by Dr. C. Sobhanadri- Guntur.
- (2) Bullous Pemphigoid by Dr. B. M. S. Bedi-Pondicherry.
- (3) Necrobiosis Lipoidica Diabeticorum- by Dept of Dermatology, CMC Hospital, Vellore
- (4) Psuedo Xanthoma Elasticum— by Dept. of Dermatology, CMC Hospital, Vellore.
- (5) Icthyosis Hystrix by- Dr. Gangadharan- Trivandrum.

Following two papers were read:

- (1) "Unusual Combination of Leprosy and Pulmonary Tuberculosis- a clinical study" by Dr. B. M. S. Bedi, Pondicherry.
- (2) "Nocardiosis Pelleteity in India" by Dept, of Dermatology, CMC Hospital. Vellore.