OBITUARY

DR. WILLIAM MACKINTOSH HALL

DR. WILLIAM MACKINTOSH HALL, a Senior Member of the Canadian Anaesthetist's Society (B.C. Division) and former Director of Anaesthesia at Shaughnessy Hospital, Vancouver B.C., died on November 1st 1981 following a lengthy illness, aged seventy years.

Mack Hall was born in Cranbrook, B.C. on February 25th 1911. After completing his preliminary education, he enrolled at the University of Alberta, graduating in 1937 with his M.D. degree.

Following internship at the University Hospital in Edmonton, he undertook post-graduate training in anaesthesia at the University Hospital under the guidance of the late Dr. Ernie Watts.

At the out-break of the Second World War, he joined the R.C.A.M.C. and proceeded overseas in 1940 as a Major and Specialist in Anaesthesia, being attached to No. 4 Casualty Clearing Station. While in England, he had further post-graduate training at the Radcliffe Infirmary in Oxford. Due to a hearing problem, he returned to Canada in 1942 and was posted to the Rideau Military Hospital in Ottawa, and later to the Vancouver Military Hospital.

Upon discharge from the service in August, 1945, Mack became a staff anaesthetist at Shaughnessy Hospital and was appointed Chief of Service in 1947. He held this appointment until ill-health forced his retirement from pract-

ice in 1975. At the time of his retirement he was also a Clinical Assistant Professor of Anaesthesia at U.B.C.

Dr. Hall was active in the affairs of his profession. He was one of the founding anaesthetists of the B.C. Division of the Canadian Anaesthetists Society in 1945, which also became the Section of Anaesthesia of the B.C. Medical Association. He was Chairman of the Division in 1947, and again in 1950.

His Association memberships included the Canadian Medical Association; B.C. Medical Association; Canadian Anaesthetists' Society; American Society of Anesthesiologists and International Anaesthesia Research Society. For many years he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Arthur E. Guedel Memorial Anaesthesia Center in San Francisco, California.

His hobbies were many, with a special interest in electronics. He was a member of the Vancouver Power Squadron, Vancouver Magic Club, and the Shriners of the A.F. and A.M.

A gentle gentleman, Mack was well liked by his friends and associates, and especially by the post-graduate students who were seconded to his hospital.

He is survived by his wife Mary, and four sons, Dr. William G. in Calgary, Alberta; John, Sardis, B.C.; Michael, Qualicum, B.C. and Douglas, Saskatoon, Sask.

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